



# FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

## Agenda Council

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**Time and date**

Thursday 4th August, 2022 at 7.00 pm

**Place**

Council Chamber - Farnham Town Hall.

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To ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of **FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL** on **Thursday 4th August, 2022, at 7.00 pm** in the Council Chamber - Farnham Town Hall. The Agenda for the meeting is attached.

Yours sincerely

**Iain Lynch**  
Town Clerk

**Members' Apologies**

**Members are requested to submit their apologies and any Declarations of Interest on the relevant form attached to this agenda to [customer.services@farnham.gov.uk](mailto:customer.services@farnham.gov.uk) by 5pm on the day before the meeting.**

**Recording of Council Meetings**

This meeting is digitally recorded and retained until the minutes are signed.

**Questions by the Public**

At the discretion of the Town Mayor, those members of the public, **residing or working** within the Council's boundary, will be invited to make representations or ask questions in respect of the business on the agenda, or other matters not on the agenda, for a maximum of 3 minutes per person or 20 minutes overall.

**Members of the Public are welcome and have a right to attend this Meeting.** Please note that there is a maximum capacity of 30 in the public gallery.



# FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

## Disclosure of Interests Form

Notification by a Member of a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter under consideration at a meeting (Localism Act 2011).

*Please use the form below to state in which Agenda Items you have an interest.*

*If you have a disclosable pecuniary or other interest in an item, please indicate whether you wish to speak (refer to Farnham Town Council's Code of Conduct for details)*

As required by the Localism Act 2011, I hereby declare, that I have a disclosable pecuniary or personal interest in the following matter(s).

FULL COUNCIL: 4 August 2022

Name of Councillor .....

Agenda Item No	Nature of interest (please tick/state as appropriate)		Type of interest (disclosable pecuniary or Other) and reason
	I am a Waverley Borough Councillor/Surrey County Councillor*	Other	

\* Delete as appropriate



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### Prayers

Prior to the meeting prayers will be said in the Council Chamber by Pastor Michael Hall of the Wey Church. Councillors and members of the public are welcome to attend.

### 1 Apologies

To receive apologies for absence.

### 2 Disclosures of Interest

To receive from members, in respect of any items included on the agenda for this meeting, disclosure of any disclosable pecuniary or other interests, or of any gifts and hospitality, in line with the Town Council's Code of Conduct.

#### NOTES:

- (i) *The following councillors have made a general non-pecuniary interest declaration in relation to being councillors of Waverley Borough Council: Cllrs Beaman, Blishen, Cockburn, Dickson, Edmonds, Gray, Hesse, Macleod, Martin, Merryweather, Mirylees, Neale, and Ward.*
- (ii) *The following councillors have made a general non-pecuniary interest declaration in relation to being councillors of Surrey County Council: Cllr Macleod and Cllr Martin; and*
- (iii) *Members are requested to make declarations of interest, on the form attached, to be returned to [customer.services@farnham.gov.uk](mailto:customer.services@farnham.gov.uk) by 5pm on the day before the meeting.*

*Members are reminded that if they declare a pecuniary interest they must leave before any debate starts unless dispensation has been obtained.*

### 3 Minutes

**(Pages 7 - 14)**

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Farnham Town Council meeting held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> at Appendix A.

### 4 Questions and Statements by the Public

In accordance with Standing Order 10.1, the Town Mayor will invite members of the public present to ask questions or make statements.

At the discretion of the Town Mayor, those members of the public, **residing or working** within the Council's boundary, will be invited to make representations or ask questions in respect of the business on the agenda, or other matters not on the agenda, for a maximum of 3 minutes per person or 20 minutes overall.

## **5 Town Mayor's Announcements**

To receive the Town Mayor's announcements.

## **6 Questions by Members**

To consider any questions from councillors in accordance with Standing Order 9.

Question from Cllr Edmonds:

"Why are work group meetings held during the normal working day as this is a barrier to councillor diversity? Such scheduling makes it difficult or even impractical for the employed and perhaps other groups to attend workgroup meetings?"

Answer from the Town Clerk

"The hours of Working Groups and Task Groups are determined at the first Working Group/Task Group of the year. This is set out when Members opt for which groups they wish to serve on during the year. In practice, most members have adjusted their diaries to allow for meetings first thing or at the end of the day although it is recognised that this can cause a difficulty for some. In practice there are also challenges in terms of availability of councillors when meetings take place in the evening especially when councillors are representatives on more than one council and also have evening meeting commitments (examples of this are the Overview and Scrutiny or planning meetings at the District Council).

When Councillors are on a specific Group and have had difficulties because of work commitments officers do try to find the optimum time as the aim is that Working/Task Group meetings are arranged at a time that provides the best result for the organisation.

It should be recognised that if all the meetings are all held in the evening, then there could well be a staffing impact since staff would be working in excess of their working week without taking compensatory time off during the day. If time is taken off during the working day, there is inevitable inefficiency as the staff members will not be able to progress matters with colleagues or external partners. In addition, when offered a choice of meeting times, partner organisations have more often than not requested a day time meeting because of other conflicts."

### **Part 1 - Items for Decisions**

## **7 Working Group Notes (Pages 15 - 54)**

- 1) To receive the notes and any recommendations of the following Working Groups:
  - i) Tourism and Events held on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022 **Appendix B**
  - ii) Strategy and Finance held on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2022 **Appendix C**
- 2) To receive a verbal update on any significant matters from the Community & Enhancement and Cemeteries and Appeals Working Groups

## **8 Planning and Licensing Applications (Pages 55 - 86)**

To receive the minutes of the Planning & Licensing Consultative Group meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup> July, 18<sup>th</sup> July and 1<sup>st</sup> August at Appendices D, E, and F.

### **Part 2 - Items to Note**

## **9 Actions taken under the Scheme of Delegation**

## **10 Reports from Other Councils**

To receive from Councillors any updates on matters affecting Farnham from Waverley Borough Council and Surrey County Council.

**11 Reports from Outside Bodies**

To receive from Members any verbal reports on Outside Bodies where they represent Farnham Town Council.

**12 Date of Next Meeting**

To note the date of the next meeting as September 15<sup>th</sup> 2022.

**13 Exclusion of the Press and Public**

TO PASS A RESOLUTION to exclude members of the public and press from the meeting at Part 3 of the agenda (if required) in view of any confidential items under discussion.

**Item 3 - Confidential Items**

**14 Any confidential matters (if required) arising from discussions of the Working Group notes.**

Council Membership:

Alan Earwaker (Mayor), Michaela Wicks (Deputy Mayor), David Attfield, David Beaman, Roger Blishen, Carole Cockburn, Sally Dickson, Pat Evans, Paula Dunsmore, Brian Edmonds, John "Scotty" Fraser, George Hesse, Andy MacLeod, Michaela Martin, Mark Merryweather, Kika Mirylees, John Neale and John Ward

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# FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

# A

## Minutes Council

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### Time and date

7.00 pm on Thursday 23rd June, 2022

### Place

Council Chamber - Farnham Town Hall

### Councillors

Councillor Alan Earwaker (Mayor)  
Councillor David Attfield  
Councillor David Beaman  
Councillor Roger Blishen  
Councillor Carole Cockburn  
Councillor Sally Dickson  
Councillor Pat Evans  
Councillor Paula Dunsmore  
Councillor George Hesse  
Councillor Andy MacLeod  
Councillor Michaela Martin  
Councillor Mark Merryweather  
Councillor Kika Mirylees  
Councillor John Neale

### Apologies for absence

Michaela Wicks, Brian Edmonds, John "Scotty" Fraser and John Ward

**Officers Present:** Iain Lynch, Town Clerk.

There were 3 members of the public and 1 member of the press in attendance.

Prior to the meeting, prayers were led by Revd Alan Crawley of the Parish of Badshot Lea and Hale.

#### C11/20 **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Cllr Edmonds, Fraser, Ward and Wicks.

#### C12/20 **Disclosures of Interest**

Cllr Merryweather and Cllr Mirylees declared an interest in relation to the Farnham Museum, as Executive Members with responsibility for Assets and Culture, and left room during the discussion of this item.

The Town Clerk declared an interest in relation to Exempt Annex I and left the meeting for the item.

C13/20 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on May 12<sup>th</sup> were agreed for signing by the Mayor.

C14/20 **Questions and Statements by the Public**

There were no questions or statements by the public.

C15/20 **Town Mayor's Announcements**

The Mayor reported that Farnham had commemorated its 30<sup>th</sup> year of friendship with Andernach with a visit by the Farnham Andernach Friendship Association accompanied by the Bürgermeister Claus Peitz. He had received a new painting of Andernach on behalf of the Council which he showed to Council and together they had re-signed the deed of friendship.

The Mayor was looking forward to the coming weekend which saw both the Farnham Carnival with a Jubilee theme and Picnic and proms in Gostrey Meadow on the Sunday.

C16/20 **Questions by Members**

There were no questions by Members.

C17/20 **Working Group Notes**

C18/20 **a) Community Enhancement Working Group**

Cllr Dickson introduced the notes of the Community Enhancement meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June.

- i) Council noted progress made for the 2022 South and South East in Bloom and RHS Britain in Bloom and in particular a significant increase in biodiversity measures. Farnham had been asked to host the Awards event for South and South East in Bloom in September and officers were working with the Farnham Maltings and SSEiB with sponsorship promised from the Patio Black Spot Removal Company and Graduate Landscapes.  
**It was RESOLVED *nem con* that Farnham Town Council contribute up to £2,000 towards the costs of hosting the South and South East In Bloom Awards 2022.**
- ii) Cllr  
Dickson advised that Farnham had been asked to accept more trees for planting in the autumn noting that there were plans to extend the Riverside Avenue with mature Trees and plant near the Co-op in Upper Hale. Council also noted the frustration experienced by communities after WBC had planted trees in informal play areas with no notice or consultation.  
**It was RESOLVED *nem con* that Farnham Town Council accept more Surrey Street trees to be planted around Farnham and the surrounding areas.**
- iii) Council noted the positive reception to the four Jubilee benches that had been installed and the suggestion that one be placed in each of the remaining wards after discussion with the ward members.  
**It was RESOLVED *nem con* that an additional Jubilee benches be placed in each ward in consultation with ward members.**

- iv) Council noted various updates including dates for new names to be added to the Famous names of Farnham wall; details of new vinyl wrapping and woodwork at bus stops that needed refreshing.

## C19/20 **b) Strategy & Finance Working Group**

Cllr Evans introduced the Notes of the Strategy & Finance meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> June.

- i) Cllr Evans reported the Working Group had reviewed the list of regular Direct Debits and the payments made regularly through the Council's Commercial Cards, and heard of the nonsense being applied by HSBC who would not increase the council's commercial card facility without a personal credit check on one of the signatories personal (not council) accounts. With other issues, the Town Clerk had started a review of the Council's banking options.

Council noted a grant application from 40 Degreez for Outreach work was expected as was a further tranche of funding for the Farnham Support Fund. Council noted the initial Support Fund monies had been distributed and the work of the Panel was commended.

**It was RESOLVED *nem con* that a further £10,000 be allocated for the Farnham Support Fund from the Community Initiatives Fund subject to the additional funds being matched by a target of £20,000 from the community and partner organisations.**

- ii) Council noted the work of the Task Groups reporting to Strategy & Finance and that a preferred sculpture for the Riverside had now been chosen. The Conservation Areas Task Group had met on 26<sup>th</sup> May and it was noted that the Old Church Lane Conservation Area was to be reviewed by Waverley now the Great Austins Conservation Area Review had been completed. The

- iii) **Farnham Museum**

Cllr Merryweather and Cllr Mirylees left the room for the discussion of this item.

Cllr Evans introduced the Strategy & Finance Working Group discussion on the Museum of Farnham and Willmer House. Council noted that that the concept of a virtual museum had been dismissed following the review of options by Waverley's consultants with two key options being considered further: transfer to an existing trust (or similar organisation) or transfer to a new trust. The idea of separating the building from the collection had been discounted as it would be more expensive than keeping them together.

Cllr Evans advised that Waverley was submitting an application in the new round of MEND (Museums and Estates Development Fund) funding (up to £500k) to deal with the urgent brickwork renovation.

**It was RESOLVED *nem con* that Farnham Town Council make an initial pledge of £10,000 to support the MEND application.**

Council noted that the Farnham Maltings had submitted an expression of interest to take on both the museum service and Willmer House and would be considering this at their July Board meeting.

Council debated the pros and cons of Farnham Town Council taking on responsibility for the museum service and the building. The Grade I listed building

initial works would need to be supplemented by a substantial additional cost and ongoing maintenance. Willmer House had been home to the Museum for some 60 years and any transfer would need to contain safeguards for public access.

Council considered the option of taking on the Museum service if required, noting that many town or parish councils ran museums. Council noted that the Farnham Maltings had done a good job in running the Museum despite being hampered by a short contract. Council favoured working in partnership with the Farnham Maltings as a preference, but considered whether it should take on the service noting that an increase in precept (based on existing funding and assuming no additional funding - approximately 6%) may well be required if the Museum were to be run locally after any transitional funding from Waverley ceased.

**It was RESOLVED by 8 votes to 4 that Farnham Town Council takes on the running of the Museum service directly if the Maltings did not wish to do so.**

Council debated the option of Farnham Town Council taking transfer of Willmer House. Some members felt this was a once in a lifetime opportunity to safeguard an historic building whilst others were concerned about the risk and burden that would be placed on future council taxpayers as the amount of investment needed to restore the building was not known. The Town Council needed to be realistic about the implications and the cost implications. Some councillors considered there was a good opportunity to make better use of the asset and generate new income. Whilst councillors were confident about the Town Council taking on the museum service there were concerns taking on the asset would be a 'white elephant'.

Concern was expressed over the transfer of the building to a trust (new or existing) should a trust fall into difficulties in future. Council was keen that public access and local ownership were retained, and a protective clause in any transfer was suggested.

The Working Group recommendation on the proposed transfer of Willmer House to Farnham Town Council was amended (proposed by Cllr Blishen and seconded by Cllr Hesse) with the words 'critical repairs' replaced with 'all repairs' and the **RESOLUTION that Farnham Town Council takes on the transfer of Willmer House, subject to the MEND application being successful and all repairs being completed was LOST with 7 votes against, 3 in favour and 2 abstentions..**

A new recommendation was subsequently considered (proposed by Cllr Evans and seconded by Cllr Hesse) and it was **RESOLVED *nem con* that Waverley Borough Council be asked to ensure that any transfer to a third party includes a reversionary clause such that the building be offered back to Waverley Borough Council, Farnham Town Council or another public sector body if the receiving body faced difficulties in future.**

iv) **Assets**

Council received an update on the commissioned designs for the Hale Chapels Garden which would be submitted to the July Strategy & Finance meeting; the progress on the West Street Cemetery Gates refurbishment which were on target for completion in August; and on the latest position on the proposed widening of the Gates for access to Gostrey Meadow from Union Road. The implications of alternate designs or an access from Longbridge had also been discussed but it had been agreed not to proceed further until the proposals for a café and/or playground

improvements were developed. Council noted that officers would be progressing quotes for the refurbishment of the bandstand following storm damage, with the paint colour reflecting the green in the Council Crest.

### **Central Car Park Toilets**

Council noted the teething troubles experienced with the refurbished toilets, and the need for an additional tank to maintain water pressure. This addition, along with some other adjustments had led to an increased cost of £165,000. Rachel Morris had inspected the disabled toilet and had recommended a push button opening which although not a formal requirement was good practice for wheelchair access.

**It was RESOLVED *nem con* that**

- 1) the latest cost position be noted;**
- 2) an automated door opener for the disability toilet be installed (cost to be determined); and**
- 3) an additional CIL contribution of £10,000 be allocated towards these costs.**

### **Council Offices**

Council noted that issues with the lift in the Council Office continued and initial estimates to resolve the problem ranging from £17,000 to £25,000 had been received. Officers were investigating the optimum solution.

Council noted that the heat exchanger on the Council's boiler had failed and quotations had been sought for a new boiler with increased efficiency. It was noted that an air source or ground source heat pump could not be easily retrofitted without replacing all the radiators.

**It was RESOLVED *nem con* that**

- 1) a replacement boiler at a cost of up to £15,000 plus associated works be agreed; and**
- 2) the final decision following evaluation be made by the Town Clerk in consultation with the Assets Task Group.**

### **CCTV**

Council considered the proposal to update the remaining analogue cameras with digital cameras and that an initial quotation for four analytic cameras had been received of £15,000. The Working Group recommended that two of these be Pan Tilt and Zoom cameras and that a dedicated laptop be purchased to enable Surrey Police to access the system without the need to use council resources, given the use for evidential data.

**It was RESOLVED *nem con*:**

- 1) to replace the analogue cameras at Longbridge and the West Street with PTZ cameras to give maximum flexibility with costs met from the 2022/23 CCTV budget; and**
- 2) purchase a dedicated laptop for the police to download evidential data from the Milestone software at a cost estimated to be £1,200.**

### **v) Infrastructure Planning Group**

Council noted the Design Statement Consultation would end on 4<sup>th</sup> July. Council also noted there had been a call for evidence to the Levelling up and Regeneration Bill. This was an opportunity to raise concerns about the unfairness of the planning system with the limited protection for sites allocated in Neighbourhood Plans. It was proposed by Cllr Dunsmore, seconded by Cllr Merryweather and **RESOLVED**

***nem con* that FTC submit evidence to the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill following discussion by the Infrastructure Planning Group.**

**vi) Farnham Infrastructure Programme**

Cllr Beaman introduced the latest position on the Farnham Infrastructure Programme referencing meetings that had been held in early June. The first on materials for Town Centre proposed works had seen councillors object to bland lower grade materials being proposed as these were not right for the conservation area. The Council's representatives had pressed for the highest quality materials in the Conservation Area.

The second meeting was on priorities for the Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plan. There was consensus on the priorities (circulated to all councillors), but it was noted these may not all receive government funding as were not 'commuter routes'. Council noted the latest position on the Wayfinding project, 20MPH zones and that responses to several issues were still awaited from Surrey CC including whether or not the build outs in Castle Street would be temporary as previously discussed.

Cllr Beaman advised that concerns had been raised over the proposed consultation being held in the Summer of Town Centre options. The meetings were all town centre focussed and held in one week. It was agreed to encourage Surrey to hold additional sessions in other parts of Farnham and hold geographic Local Liaison Forums. There was concern that the Farnham Board meeting had had an inadequate report 'bounced' in to dismiss the Link Road option. As there had been no previous discussion, the Farnham Board had agreed to defer this for further discussion by the Town Council.

**vii) County Deals**

Council noted the latest position and that the Town and Parish Council sector was now represented on the Surrey CC Delivery Board looking at this by Cllr Steve Cosser, Chairman of Surrey Association of Local Councils, having previously been left out of the discussions. Surrey was intent on progressing this with a 'coalition of willing partners' and there was real concern over the loss of parish council democracy if Surrey operated with area based committees across the whole county (as it is on one third parished) but also potential with devolved service delivery. **It was RESOLVED *nem con* that Farnham Town Council gets involved in discussions on County Deals and seeks a wider presentation through Surrey ALC to engage town and parish councils.**

viii) Council noted a number of items from the Town Clerk Update including the Home Office biometric Visa service being hosted in the Council Offices, the arrangements for the World Craft Town Workshop in Bornholm in September, the new North Downs Way sign being installed at Hickleys Corner.

**C20/20 Planning and Licensing Applications**

Council received the notes of the Planning & Licensing Consultative Committee Working Group meetings held on 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> May, and 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> June at Appendices D, E, F and G.

One item was discussed in detail by Council, the proposed 20m 5G telecoms mast in South Street with substantial cabinets. It was agreed to make representations about the inappropriateness of the siting and suggest alternative locations.

C21/20 **Actions taken under the Scheme of Delegation**

There were no actions under the Scheme of Delegation to report.

C22/20 **Reports from Other Councils**

Cllr Cockburn expressed concern over the lack of support from WBC officers on Farnham development sites. A meeting was scheduled with officers to discuss.

Cllr MacLeod advised that he was on the Select Committee for County Deals at Surrey and that there would be no additional resources unless Surrey were to have a Directly elected Mayor, and this was not being sought.

C23/20 **Reports from Outside Bodies**

- i) Cllr Cockburn reported that the most recent Farnham Sports Council meeting had been held at the Ahmadiyya Mubarak Mosque in Tilford which had been a successful occasion.
- ii) Cllr Cockburn commended Irene Phillips and her team for the preparations for an event to welcome Ukrainian visitors using the Bourne Show facilities.
- iii) Cllr Dickson reported that the Farnham Fringe Festival would take place between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> July.
- iv) Cllr MacLeod reported on the Creative Response Summer Exhibition which was taking place until 28<sup>th</sup> June with some very affordable works of art.

C24/20 **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting was agreed as Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup> at 7pm [Subsequently changed to 4<sup>th</sup> August].

C25/20 **Exclusion of the Press and Public**

The Mayor proposed, and it was **Resolved *nem con* to exclude the press and public in view of the confidential staffing matter under discussion.**

The Town Clerk also left the meeting at this point.

C26/20 **Any confidential matters (if required) arising from discussions of the Working Group notes or Panels.**

Council received a report at Exempt Appendix I on the Town Clerks appraisal. Council noted the impressive list of achievements, despite some real challenges, during the last 20 months appraisal period under the Town Clerk's leadership and especially the rare feat and recognition of being the NALC Council of the year 2022 and runner up in Clerk of the Year. It was also a great achievement to have been recognised as Not-for-Profit Organisation of the year 2021/22 by the Corporate Livewire team's Prestige Awards and receive the first Green Flag and a third nomination into RHS Britain in Bloom.

Agreed objective for 2022/23 were set in line with Council corporate priorities and included recruitment of the new Communities and administration Manager; commissioning a wider staff grading review; completion of scheduled capital projects; preparing for the new Council

in 2023; continuing to develop World Craft Town; continuing to play a part in supporting the Farnham Infrastructure programme and reviewing the next stage of enhancements of Gostrey Meadow. The Panel had agreed an incremental rise for the Town Clerk.

**It was RESOLVED *nem con* that Town Clerk be awarded an incremental increase to LC4 scale point 61 backdated to 01 April 2022.**

The Mayor closed the meeting at 9.10 pm

Chairman

Date



# FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

# B

## Notes

### Tourism & Events Working Group

#### Time and date

9.30 am on Wednesday 13th July, 2022

#### Place

Byworth Room - Farnham Town Hall

#### Attendees:

Members: Councillors Roger Blishen, Pat Evans, Mark Merryweather, Kika Mirylees, John Neale and Alan Earwaker (ex-Officio)

Officers: Iain Lynch (Town Clerk) and Oliver Cluskey

#### 1. Apologies

POINTS	ACTION
Apologies were given from Cllr Martin.	

#### 2. Disclosures of Interests

POINTS	ACTION
None were made.	

#### 3. Notes of the last meeting

POINTS	ACTION
Notes of the last meeting held on 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2022 were agreed.	

#### 4. Election of Lead Member

POINTS	ACTION
On a proposal by Cllr Blishen, seconded by Cllr Merryweather, Cllr Mirylees was agreed as Lead Member of the Tourism and Events Working Group.	

## 5. Recent events

POINTS	ACTION
<p>1) Walking Festival Over 30 walks were run by organisations and individuals including Farnham Walker, Farnham Ramblers and sponsors Farnham Veterinary Hospital. Previously there had been a volunteer co-ordinator to schedule the walks and oversee the brochure but this year the events team co-ordinated the Festival.</p> <p>2) Sustainability Festival There were over 40 stalls with live music, wellness with free yoga sessions and talks tent. £3,815.69 was raised for Farnham Community Farm including pitch fees of £1,056.34. The cost to FTC was estimated to be less than £1000. Members noted that there was limited support available from the Farnham Community Farm compared to previous years and that there was a review meeting due to take place. Members suggested that there should be a FCF advisory group to help organise the Sustainability Festival and that if there was limited support FTC should keep the stall money rather than pass on to FCF. Members agreed, at FCF's request to move the 2023 date to mid June due to plants not being ready to sell in May. The last day of the Walking Festival would be the first Music in the Meadow and would mark the start of summer events on Gostrey Meadow.</p> <p>3) Music in the Meadow The first event was on 29<sup>th</sup> May and due to finish on 4<sup>th</sup> September. The average number at peak times to date had been between 380 and 500. Members were happy with the variety of the programme.</p> <p>4) Jubilee Big Lunch Members all agreed that The Jubilee Big Lunch was a huge success and proved to be more popular than expected. Members felt that the general balance of Jubilee weekend activities was right.</p> <p>5) Proms and Pop in the Park Following on from the Farnham Carnival the Proms event included Shuffle Tunes Choir, A-Train, Farnham Big Band, Fabulous Funky Funks and Woking Wind Orchestra as well as other family entertainment and was a huge success. The cost of the larger stage to accommodate the 35 piece Orchestra was noted by members when agreeing to have a Proms event again after Carnival 2023.</p>	<p>Events Manager to inform FCF of change of date decision</p>

## 6. Markets

POINTS	ACTION
<p>1) Farmers Market Events Manager informed members that there was an average of 42 stalls including local craft makers at each market.</p>	

<p>2) West Street Market</p> <p>a) Antiques and Brocante, Arts and Craft Members agreed to ACVR's request for an additional antiques and Brocante Market as they were proving popular. Members asked the Events Manager to look into the pricing for stalls.</p> <p>b) Ethical Vegan Market The First event on 10<sup>th</sup> July was well run with a good variety of 'ethical' and 'vegan' stalls. Members agreed to allow 2 ethical vegan markets in 2023 but not to have 2 markets in the same month. Suggestions that there was a stall promoting pedestrianisation was proven to be incorrect and was discussed by members.</p>	<p>Events Manager to inform ACVR of additional market and review stall price</p> <p>Events Manager to inform EVM of additional market</p>
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## 7. Future events and projects

POINTS	ACTION
<p>1. Food and Drink Month</p> <p>a) Sausage and Cider Lions event on 3<sup>rd</sup> September was scheduled to open Food and Drink month in Gostrey Meadow</p> <p>b) Gin and Fizz The Kiln in Badshot Lea had been confirmed for 17<sup>th</sup> September due to vendors' availability. There were currently 6 Distiller applicants but no Vintners. Members suggested Penncroft Winery in Crondall and the new 'Wine yard' shop in Lion and Lamb Yard may wish to be involved. The risk of having an event outside the Town Centre was discussed but Members all agree that it should be tried. Members discussed potential parking issue and suggested asking Swiftsure and the School.</p> <p>c) Food and Drink Festival Members were informed that The Bush Hotel had become Gold sponsors and that a new 'drinks demonstration stage would be set up in the Courtyard. Members discussed having a 'named' chef noting that this could incur expense. Members agreed that having the professionalism of Lisa Marley on stage in 2021 was beneficial. The chef from Wrecclesham House was also suggested. Members suggested that FTC offered a free stall to Ukrainian chefs.</p> <p>2. World Craft Town</p> <p>A) October Craft Month A new Craft Co-ordinator, Helen Lewis was appointed on 1<sup>st</sup> June and progress was being made. Members discussed the request by local makers for storage space of the craft equipment from UCA with a view to use it in future when a space was available. It was noted that FTC did not have such a space and that they should ask WBC.</p> <p>B) Art on the railings Members noted that ongoing events by the Maltings and hoped the previous standard could be maintained.</p>	<p>Events Manager to contact Swiftsure and Badshot Lea Infants' School</p> <p>Events Manager to contact Wrecclesham House</p> <p>Events Manager to contact Ukraine community</p> <p>Cllr Merryweather to contact Caroline Wallace</p>

<p>3. Christmas Events</p> <p>a) Snow windows With previous funding of £100 per shop from Welcome Back Fund not available, members agreed to ask Waverley if they could contribute if FTC could match fund. Snow windows have been pencilled in on 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> November but dependent on funding. Sponsorship was discussed as another option of funding. Members suggested contacting Debbie Smith who was the Officer responsible for Brightwells and Crest Nicholson.</p> <p>b) Christmas Lights Members agreed to look at something more spectacular to add to the light switch on. The Events Manager suggested projections from Union Road offices on to the trees.</p> <p>c) Christmas Market No updates at this time.</p> <p>4. 2022 Events</p> <p>a) Music in the Vineyard Members agreed the benefits of MIV to the elderly and agreed to hold it between January and March.</p> <p>b) Literary Festival Members were informed that Sue Keogh had agreed to continue in the role of Co-ordinator. Cllr Mirylees had met Christi Doherty and Jack Jewers who were keen to be on the Literary Festival steering group and for Cllr Mirylees to meet their PR team. Members agreed to add both to the steering group and to have a conversation with the PR person.</p>	<p>Events Manager to contact Debbie Smith</p> <p>Events Manager to investigate.</p> <p>Events Manager to progress</p>
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## 8. Sponsorship

POINTS	ACTION
<p>Members suggested new potential sponsors. Members also suggested promoting opportunity in the Herald and Social media.</p> <p>Confirmed Sponsors for 2022-23: Walking Festival: Gold £1,000: Abbeyfield Silver £500: Farnham Veterinary Hospital</p> <p>Principal Summer £3,000: Kidd Rapinet</p> <p>Sustainability Festival: Silver £500: Farnham Veterinary Hospital</p> <p>Food and Drink Festival: Gold £1,000: Farnham Veterinary Hospital. Kidd Rapinet. Bush Hotel Bronze £300: Durham House Chiropractic</p> <p>Principal Christmas £3,000: Farnham Veterinary Hospital</p>	<p>Events Manager to approach new potential sponsors</p>

Christmas Market:  
Gold £1000: Kidd Rapinet  
  
Total: £12,300 + VAT

**9. Other Business**

<b>POINTS</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
<p>1) <b>BID</b> Task group almost filled and will include: Eddie Pearce – Tindle newspapers and Chamber of Commerce Steve Hamilton – Hamilton’s Teahouse George Murray – Coffee Diem Emma Rowe – Kidd Rapinet Stephen Darling – ME Estate Agents Liam Mooney – Waitrose Liz Flanagan – Elphicks Francesco Bartolemei – The Bush Hotel Jill Simpson – Ebb and Flo Nick Kent – Kents Property Paul Adams – Branston Adams Saybhan Delikhan – Thunderbolt Catherine Knight (Waverley BC), Iain Lynch, Oliver Cluskey (FTC)</p> <p>First meeting of group with Mosaic partnership scheduled for end of July.</p> <p>2) <b>Farnham App</b> A first draft has been developed with further content to be added before final stage. The Events Manager had just received training on adding Trails and content. Mid-August launch was targeted.</p> <p>3) <b>Farnham Fringe</b> Members discussed the request to add the Farnham Fringe to the Events calendar. The Fringe was run in the same manner as the Literary Festival with partners producing events. FTC Funding was similar to HODS and Carnival with a grant of £1,000. Whilst Members agreed that the Fringe Festival was a good festival and beneficial to the Town, all agreed that there were a number of factors to give reason to proceed with caution:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) It was felt that the current level of event staffing would not be able to cope with yet another festival as with the addition of the Literary Festival there was no break in between the events programme.</li> <li>2) The festival would be during Bloom judging which would also add pressure onto the outside work force</li> <li>3) Already more pressure on staff with elections being held in 2023</li> </ol> <p>Members recognised that more support was needed and it was suggested that time was taken by existing members to form a stronger and larger committee for 2023. Members agreed that FTC could help develop a volunteer group with existing database and that the grant should be increased to £1,500.</p>	

<p>4) Gostrey Meadow entrance pillar widening Members discussed further damage done to three vehicles at recent events and were shown a photo of the most recent one at the previous weekend. Members asked for it to be discussed again at a Strategy and Finance meeting.</p>	
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**10. Budget**

<b>POINTS</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
The Members agreed that it was not necessary to discuss the budget.	

**11. Date of next meeting**

<b>POINTS</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
The date of the next meeting was agreed as Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> October at 10am.	

The meeting ended at 1.30 pm

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# Annex I to Appendix C

## **DRAFT RESPONSE TO PUBLIC CONSULTATION FOR FARNHAM INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAMME (FIP) FARNHAM TOWN CENTRE PROPOSALS (FINAL RESPONSE TO BE SUBMITTED BY REVISED DATE - 2<sup>nd</sup> OCTOBER 2022)**

### **I INTRODUCTION**

- 1.1 When the Farnham Infrastructure Programme was first established it was hoped that measures could be identified that would result in radical changes being implemented that would allow the long desired pedestrianisation of Farnham Town Centre. Whilst FTC still wishes for this objective to be achieved it is clear that this is a longer term aspiration that requires a national change in public behaviour and attitudes. The recommendations below are, therefore, against this background and reflect what can be achieved in the short term with the limited level of funding that is known to be available from SCC. The views set out below are initial suggestions for debate. A final response with any additions can be considered at the September meeting of Council.

### **2 RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. **FTC supports extending of 20 mph speed limit to cover entire residential built up area making Farnham a 20 mph town;**
2. **FTC fully supports, in principle, Option A for Downing Street effectively making permanent existing measures to widen footways;**
3. **FTC supports, in principle, Option A proposals for Castle Street that involve narrowing of the road on a permanent basis so long as there is recognition that part of the character and setting of Castle Street is its broad width and that proposals do not inhibit future community events in Castle Street;**
4. **FTC expects the use of high quality materials in pavement widening proposals as befits the conservation area and Farnham's historic Georgian heritage;**
5. **FTC supports use of accumulated financial surplus of SCC Farnham on-street parking account being used to provide high quality materials for use in pavement widening over and above cost of standard materials;**
6. **FTC supports, in principle, Option B proposals to replace the present one way town centre gyratory system with two way traffic flow on most roads. However, FTC is concerned over the effect on the character of the town centre Conservation Area of the consequential significant increase in traffic light controlled junctions. FTC requests that alternative methods of traffic calming and controlling traffic flow at road junctions is implemented as a first priority.**
7. **There are no circumstances under which FTC would support the junction of Castle Street with The Borough becoming traffic light controlled;**
8. **FTC specifically requests that the following changes to the Option B proposal be implemented:**
  - i) **making Downing Street between Waggon Yard car park and Longbridge two way,**
  - ii) **removal of proposed new bus stop on west side of South Street to allow all buses to Farnham Hospital and Aldershot to continue departing from the same stop,**
  - iii) **making Woolmead Road (one of the widest roads in central Farnham) two-way throughout.**
9. **With proposed road narrowing on The Borough, FTC believes that it is essential that any bus stop is located in a pull in lay by to ensure that other**

traffic can continue to flow freely when buses are stopped to allow passengers to alight and board.

10. **FTC proposes the following changes:**
  - i) **East Street between South Street and Dogflud Way to have restricted access with only delivery vehicles, buses, bicycles and taxis being allowed access.**
11. **FTC re-affirms its aspiration for the construction of a Hart Link Road between Castle Hill and Upper Hart car park noting the draft paper dismissing the proposal did not provide costs for this option;**
  - i) **as an essential element of any measures to provide access to reduce town centre vehicle movements accessing a town centre car park for vehicles from the North.**
  - ii) **expecting that a future extension to The Hart and West Street could, should circumstances change, allow consideration to be given to pedestrianisation of Farnham Town Centre.**
12. **Although SCC has not yet been allocated any funds from The Department of Transport to implement its countywide Bus Service Improvement Plan FTC**
  - i) **believes that it is essential that at least the existing level of bus service is maintained and should be enhanced when suitable opportunities arise to encourage use of alternate modes of transport;**
  - ii) **Seeks confirmation that the proposed electric bus route east-west and north-south will still be progressed**
13. **With regard to the A31 proposals FTC is concerned that apart from the Firgrove Hybrid Option, which would present significant engineering challenges if implemented, none of the proposals would resolve the current problems of connectivity between North and South (A287) which was one of the agreed key objectives.**
14. **FTC notes the latest Transport for The South East's current consultation on its draft Strategic Investment Plan and seeks support from SCC for both the Wrecclesham Bypass and Western Relief Road to remain on the priority list for investment. In light of the new near fatality at the railway bridge in July the Wrecclesham Bypass remains a key priority for local people.**

### **3 Background**

- 3.1 The Farnham Infrastructure Programme (FIP) represents the most realistic possible opportunity to improve traffic flow and air quality in Farnham in the current economic climate. Whilst there have been several previous studies by a number of consultancies which have identified the problems, the proposed solutions have, to date, proved unacceptable in some form or other or sufficient funding resources have not been available. All "water under the bridge" and it needs to be accepted that "we are where we are" and the situation needs to be resolved against current economic and social conditions.
- 3.2 Whilst accepting that the current economic climate is not helpful, the establishing of a special Board consisting of representatives of the three tiers of local government (Surrey County Council, Waverley Borough Council and Farnham Town Council) is the first time that all three levels of local government representing Farnham residents have worked together with a sole focus on improving traffic flow and air quality in Farnham.
- 3.3 The traffic and air quality problems in Farnham have continued to deteriorate as traffic levels continue to increase and appear already to be back to pre-COVID pandemic levels. Central Farnham was declared an Area Quality Management Action Area in 2007 and to date there has been little action taken that would allow this designation to be lifted and the general national and local Climate Change objectives to be achieved.

- 3.4 The historic nature of Farnham as a pleasant Georgian town with its considerable number of listed buildings (alleged to number more than Chester with each individual lamp post on Castle Street being listed) prevents the traditional approach to resolving Farnham's problems through new road building from being implemented since it would result in the character of the town which makes it such a desirable place to live, being at best severely comprised or at worst effectively destroyed.
- 3.5 Previous consultancy studies have recommended construction of a Western Relief Road linking the A325 with the A31 and M3 to the West of Farnham to divert a considerable amount of through East / West traffic from traveling through Farnham. Such a new road even reached design stage but has never been built.
- 3.6 Whilst the construction of such a new road could still be built it would have a considerable negative impact on the environment and biodiversity especially since it could probably now only be justified by significant residential development on local greenfield sites which would have further negative impact on the local environment and biodiversity.
- 3.7 Construction of a Western Relief Road or even a more modest and shorter Wrecchesham Bypass are not, therefore, currently listed for even consideration on Central Government's Major Road Network (MRN) Programme, although FTC proposed this in the most recent MRN review.
- 3.8 For the purposes of the FIP it has to be accepted that the traditional approach of resolving Farnham's problems in the short to medium term through new road construction cannot, therefore, be realistically contemplated. This obviously constrains what could be achieved and, in particular, this prevents total pedestrianisation and limits options for restricted shared use of road space in Central Farnham.
- 3.9 Traffic levels have continued their ever relentless growth affecting Central Farnham and increasingly roads in both North and South Farnham such as Upper Hale Road, Alma Lane and Shortheath Road. Farnham can wait no longer - "something has to be done" to preserve Farnham's desirability as a place to live, work and visit.
- 3.10 Evaluation of alternative potential options has not, however, been helped by the requirement to adhere to Department of Transport criteria for the economic assessment of the impact of any new traffic schemes which, despite Central Government Climate Change objectives, are based on continued growth in road traffic. Nevertheless, a number of alternative options have been identified some of which are currently subject to public consultation and to which Farnham Town Council has the following considered comments.

#### **4 Progress to Date**

- 4.1 FTC welcomes the action that has already been taken – introduction of HGV weight restrictions, redesignation of certain roads and pending implementation of 20 mph speed limit on certain roads. FTC would like consideration to be given to extending HGV weight restriction to other roads and also extended 20 mph speed limit to other roads and perhaps even making Farnham a 20 mph town on all roads except A31.
- 4.2 Where traffic calming measures are being introduced, FTC would prefer vehicle speeds to be controlled by specific road narrowing pinch points and chicanes rather than through speed humps and cushions which cause difficulties for emergency services and bus operators (with associated increased costs) as well as resulting less comfortable ride for passengers.

## **5 Comments on SCC consultation options**

### **Option A : Pavement Widening along Castle Street and Downing Street**

- 5.1 The COVID pandemic has allowed a traffic flow experiments to be implemented on a trial basis which otherwise would have not have necessarily happened had there been no pandemic. Under these regulations a number of town centre roads (Downing Street, Castle Street and The Borough) were narrowed with wider footways for social distancing and attempts made to encourage active travel modes and, in particular, more walking and cycling. In many areas it became apparent that similar measures were not being very effective and were withdrawn almost as quickly as they were implemented e.g. Fleet High Street.
- 5.2 In Farnham, road narrowing and wider footways have been more successful and the measures continue to be retained in Downing Street and Castle Street. Narrowing road width has obviously reduced available road space for vehicles and could cause occasional longer traffic delays (normally related to issues on the road network elsewhere such as the A31) but these appear to have been accepted and should now be made permanent.
- 5.3 The narrowing of The Borough did not, however, work out and sometimes resulted in significant and more frequent traffic delays particularly when there were road works in the town, causing greater pollution in the town centre and, as a consequence, were withdrawn.
- 5.4 Unlike Downing Street, Castle Street is very wide and can easily be narrowed to only have one carriageway in each direction. FTC does, however, appreciate that there is concern over changing the character of Castle Street at the heart of the Conservation Area, with its view at a distance of Farnham Castle. Photographs which are frequently published in the Farnham Herald reveal, however, that Castle Street has changed within living memory and the present view of Castle Street is in fact marred by the significant number of parked cars. As with the rest of the town, the street scene along Castle Street would continue to change and evolve and rather continue in the present rather haphazard way it would obviously be better to plan change by narrowing road space by widening pavements and encourage the development of a European style café culture with chairs and tables provided for outdoor drinking and eating that would attract more visitors to Farnham.
- 5.5 For the proposed pavement widening measures to be fully effective it is, however, essential that high quality materials are used especially since both Downing Street and Castle Street are located in the Town Centre Conservation Area. It is also important that the clutter of signage should be minimised and whatever signage and street furniture that is provided is high quality. High quality standards for the Town Centre Conservation Area are already defined in the Farnham Town Centre Area Management Plan (FCAMP) to which all 3 tiers of local Government in Farnham contributed and “signed up to”.
- 5.6 It is appreciated that using higher quality materials will inevitably result in higher costs than standard materials. Over the years a significant surplus has built up in the on-street parking account that is held by Surrey County Council and it was agreed (prior to and as part of the implementation of on-street parking) that this surplus would be ring-fenced for use in Farnham. Using this and the future surplus to fund the additional costs of using of higher quality paving materials and the long overdue repair of traditional iron setts particularly in Castle Street, would be an appropriate use of the on-street parking revenues generated.

## **Option B : Changing Direction of Traffic Flow**

- 5.7 To all intents and purposes, the proposals outlined in Option A effectively represent tidying up and making permanent the changes that have already been implemented during the COVID pandemic. These measures alone will not, however, resolve Farnham's traffic and air quality problems.
- 5.8 Option B represents the next stage by changing the direction of traffic flow with the present one way anti-clockwise gyratory system being replaced by the re-introduction of two way traffic flow along South Street, The Borough and Union Road. The transport demand modelling that has been undertaken reveals that this would reduce the level of traffic in the town centre but, unless people's attitudes and behaviour in using cars to make journeys were radically changed, the traffic deterred from travelling into town centre would merely be displaced onto other roads in North and South Farnham.
- 5.9 In addition, the conversion back to two-way traffic flows on certain roads would require a number of road junctions to be controlled by traffic lights e.g. the Longbridge/Downing Street/Union Road and Victoria Road junction; at the top of Downing Street at its junction of The Borough, and possibly (although not included in the consultation) at the bottom of Castle Street at the junction with the Borough. Increasing the number of traffic light controlled junctions in the town centre, which is a conservation area, would change the character of the town centre and it is questionable whether this would be acceptable. The provision of a traffic light controlled junction at the bottom of Castle Street with The Borough would not be acceptable under any circumstances and other means of controlling traffic-flow at this road junction needs to be found.
- 5.10 Even if more traffic light controlled road junctions were acceptable in the town centre there are certain changes to the proposal which have been previously discussed, that FTC believes deserve consideration and implementation : -
- i) The section of Downing Street between the entrance to Waggon Yard car park and Longbridge should also be two way – this would avoid the need for many of the cars departing from Waggon Yard car park having to travel through the town centre.
  - ii) There should be no new bus stop provided on the West side of South Street. The provision of this proposed bus stop would split the departure stop for services operating to Farnham Hospital and Aldershot which at present all depart from The Borough stop outside the Queens Head. All bus services operating to Farnham Hospital and Aldershot should continue to use their current routes and serve the existing stop on The Borough.
  - iii) All bus stops in the town centre need to be lay by pull ins to avoid stationary buses holding up other traffic.
  - iv) Woolmead Road should be two-way in both directions throughout its entire length.

## **6 Link Road from Castle Hill to Upper Hart Car Park**

- 6.1 FTC has consistently requested that a new link road from Castle Hill to the Upper Hart Car Park should be introduced. Indeed, when consulted over the three possible options for Farnham Town Centre, FTC requested that the provision of this link road should be considered as part of the evaluation of the Option B proposals. However, a partial analysis (full grade to West Street only) dismissing the option on grounds of cost was presented in a late report to the recent Farnham Board. FTC continues to support the construction of a link road from Castle Hill to the Upper Hart car park to reduce the level of traffic using Castle Street and the gyratory system. It is, however, accepted that, if constructed, the

Upper Hart car park would have to be split into two sections to prevent such a link road being used as a rat run for through traffic. At the Farnham Board the cost of providing a link road right through to West Street was estimated as £8.1 million with land purchase costs representing a significant proportion of these costs. The cost of constructing a much shorter link road only as far as the Upper Hart car park would be considerably less although it could be constructed in such a way that it would be able to be extended to The Hart and West Street if circumstances change that would allow complete pedestrianisation of Farnham Town Centre in future.

## **7 Pedestrianisation (former Option C)**

- 7.1 Although not part of the current round of public consultation there has been considerable attention and discussion over the possibility for either full or partial shared space (with buses, bicycles and taxis) pedestrianisation of Farnham Town Centre. Previous consultancy studies have concluded that pedestrianisation without construction of a Western Relief Road would only displace traffic to other already heavily used roads in North and South Farnham with consequential unacceptable traffic congestion and deterioration in air quality.
- 7.2 Nevertheless, it is accepted that pedestrianisation is popular amongst a significant proportion of local residents and it is FTC's view that consideration should be given to the following proposal. With the developments at Brightwells and Woolmead the section of East Street between South Street and Dogflud Way should be designated as restricted access for buses, taxis, bicycles and any necessary delivery vehicles as well as emergency service vehicles. Woolmead Road could be a two-way route.

## **8 A31 Options**

- 8.1 The present public consultation also includes three options for the A31 (Farnham Bypass) which is unusual in that it effectively dissects the town in two. The three alternative options are in concept only and are the basis of a bid for Central Government funding – detailed public consultation would only take place if Department of Transport funding is allocated. Without Department of Transport funding there can be no improvements to the A31. The three options represent the “art of the possible” and one has to question whether the time savings that would be gained which would be measured in seconds can justify the cost and inconvenience that would be caused.
- 8.2 All three options involve common proposals for the Coxbridge and Shepherd and Flock roundabouts. It is proposed to modify both roundabouts to increase traffic flow.
- 8.2 The three alternative options relate to Hickley's Corner itself and can be summarised as follows : -
- i) **Adding additional Lanes at Junction** : This is the simplest and probably cheapest option. It involves increasing traffic flow through the junction by creating extra lanes at the approach to the junction from both directions. The benefits are, however, questionable since by creating additional lanes this effectively widens still further the “gap” between North and South Farnham and does not resolve the problems created by the current single eastbound carriageway under Firgrove Hill bridge.
  - ii) **Underpass** : This is a resurrection of the previous scheme and would be very expensive as well as involving a long period of construction which would result in closure of the A31 for a significant period of time which would have a serious effect on Farnham Town Centre. (A possible and more easily constructed alternative not necessarily involving complete closure of the A31 for a significant amount of time would be construction of a

flyover although this would raise concerns of the visual and noise impact of such a flyover).

- iii) **Hybrid Solution** – Of all the three alternative options this is the only alternative that would remove some through traffic from Farnham Town Centre. It would involve the construction of two new roundabouts – one to the south on the railway station approach road and another to the north of the Firgrove Hill bridge on the A287 itself between the present Firgrove Hill bridge and Bridge Square. Each roundabout would be linked by slip roads and from the A31. This proposal could be implemented fairly quickly and would allow the A31 to remain open. The gradient on Firgrove Hill is, however very steep and construction of the slip roads from both roundabouts would present a significant engineering challenge (and be expensive). The roundabout and associated slip roads on the north side of Firgrove Hill bridge would also have serious effects on the lives of residents of a number of roads including Saxon Court, Trafalgar Court, Firgrove Court, Abbey Street and Red Lion Lane. It should be noted that it is understood that Firgrove Hill bridge has structural problems and that there is a weight limit on this bridge. The bridge may require to be rebuilt at some time in the future at which time provision could be made for two eastbound carriageways

- 8.4 Apart from the Firgrove Hybrid proposal none of the alternative options resolve Farnham's main traffic problem – there is a real need to find alternative ways for North / South traffic to avoid passing through Central Farnham.

## 9 CONCLUSION

- 9.1 The traffic and air quality problems of Farnham town centre are not easy to resolve otherwise action would have been taken by now. Nevertheless “something has to be done” given the ever continuing growth in road traffic. Although there have been several previous studies by transport consultants FIP represents the first focused attempt by the three tiers of local government working together to bring forward solutions that are realistic and achievable. There should, however, be no illusion that the proposals will, if implemented, result in many residents having to make some sacrifices by being involved in longer journey times.
- 9.2 Although not a final solution one realistic objective would be to reduce overall traffic to levels currently experienced during school holidays. It is the additional traffic (mostly short distance) generated by home to school movements particularly during the morning peak period that cause most traffic problems.
- 9.3 People's attitudes and behaviour towards using cars for short journeys needs to change – this is a national problem that has wider consequences resulting in Climate Change. Alternative means of transport (cycling, walking, use of public transport) need greater encouragement. FTC supports the measures being taken to encourage walking and cycling but was disappointed that both Surrey and Hampshire County Council's Bus Service Improvement Plans (BSIP) were not allocated any funding by the Department of Transport. The lack of any funding from the Department of Transport for Surrey County Council's BSIP will almost certainly mean that there will be no funding available for one of the hoped for improvements in bus service provision which was an electric midibus town service for Farnham.
- 9.4 Finally, but by no means least, should these proposals be implemented it is essential that there are sufficient funds available to maintain an improved town centre environment. FTC, therefore, fully supports SCC in its campaign to revise the allocation of road maintenance funds (e.g. to fix potholes) from Central Government which at present is based on length of

road rather than level of actual road use. As a consequence, Surrey whose roads are heavily used due to nearby locations of London, Heathrow and Gatwick Airports has a relatively unfair low allocation of funds from Central Government for road maintenance when compared with most other local authority areas.

Cllr David Beaman  
Joint Leader August 2022

# Upper Hale Cemetery

Farnham

## Annex 2 to Appendix C





# CONCEPT A THE FOLLY

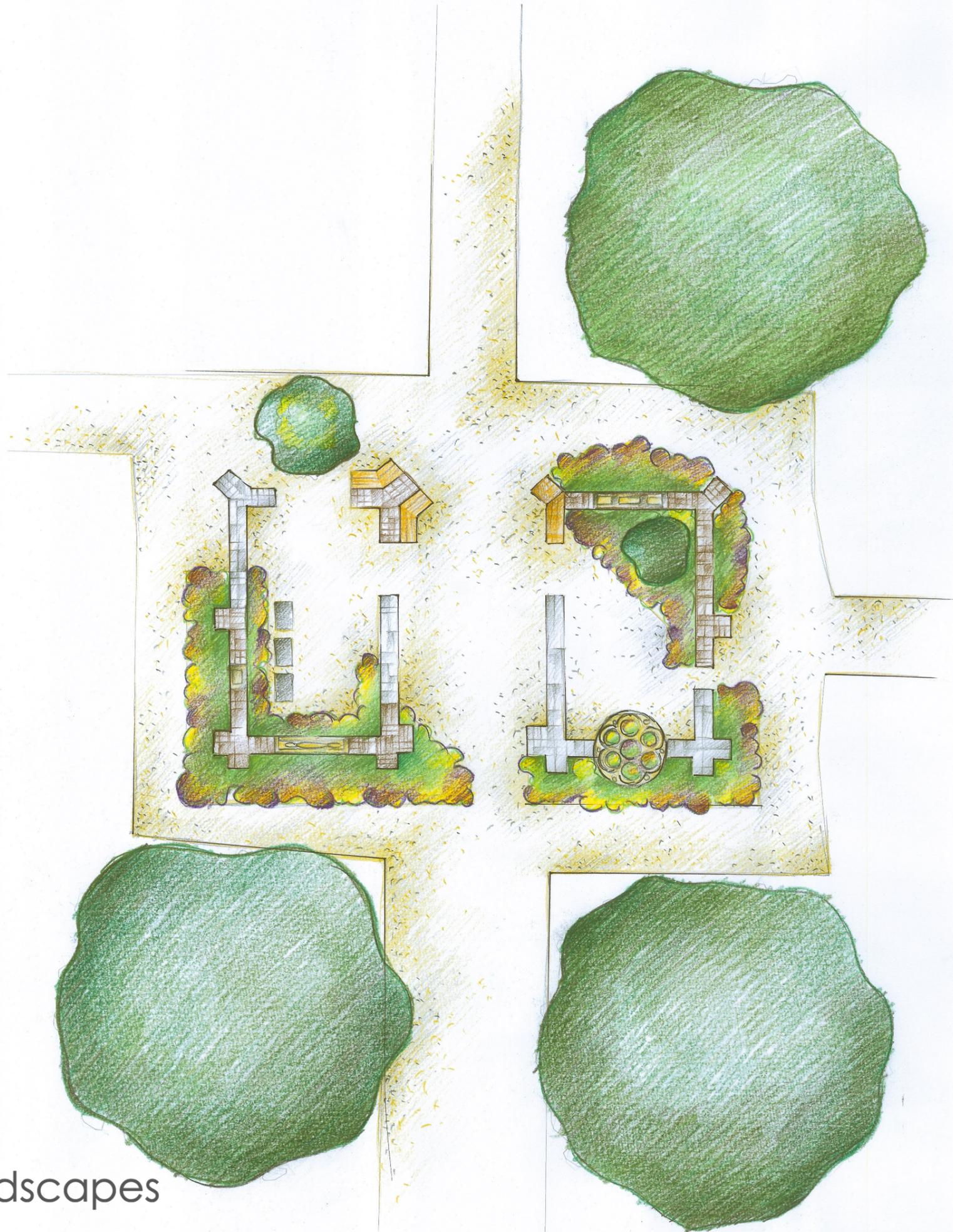
## FOLLY DEFINITION:

*“In architecture, a folly is a building constructed primarily for decoration, but suggesting through its appearance some other purpose, or of such extravagant appear once that it transcends the range of usual garden buildings”*



GOLD MEDAL





Concept A  
The Folly



# Concept A The Folly

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Reflective (non social-able) seating built around existing corner of West Chapel

Reflective (non social-able) seating built onto the corner of East Chapel—in full view of cemetery to deter anti-social behaviour

Single stem tree to frame view through circular window and balance Yew and Olive tree opposite

Decorative gable window at a lower height of 87cm above ground level without glazing

Self binding gravel surface

Gnarly Olive tree 1.6m high

Re-purpose flint setts at ground level to mark existing boundaries of Chapel

Existing Chapel wall to be reduced to above the brickwork course around 1.20m

Ground level planting beds edged with metal edging

Ground level planting beds edged with metal edging

Information plaques

Re-purposed flint setts at ground level to mark existing boundaries of Chapel

Arched head window at existing height without glazing

Decorative gable window and stone mullions used at ground level as a decorative planter

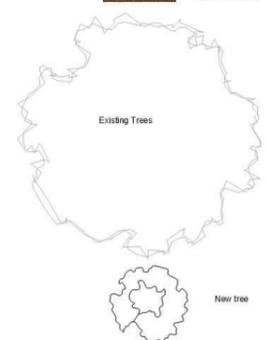
Chapel reduced to above the brickwork course around 1.44m high

Decorative gable window and stone mullions preserved and stabilised at a lower height



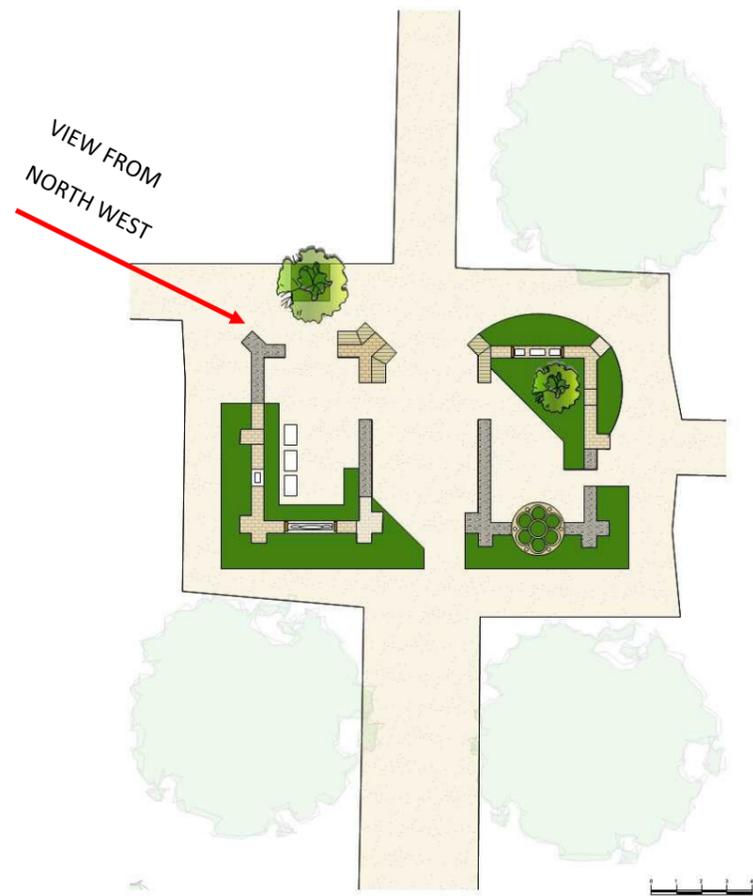
## KEY

-  Hedge
-  Self binding gravel
-  Planted area with metal edging
-  Flint cobbles
-  Brickwork and flint stonework
-  Information/Memorial Plaques
-  Wooden archway

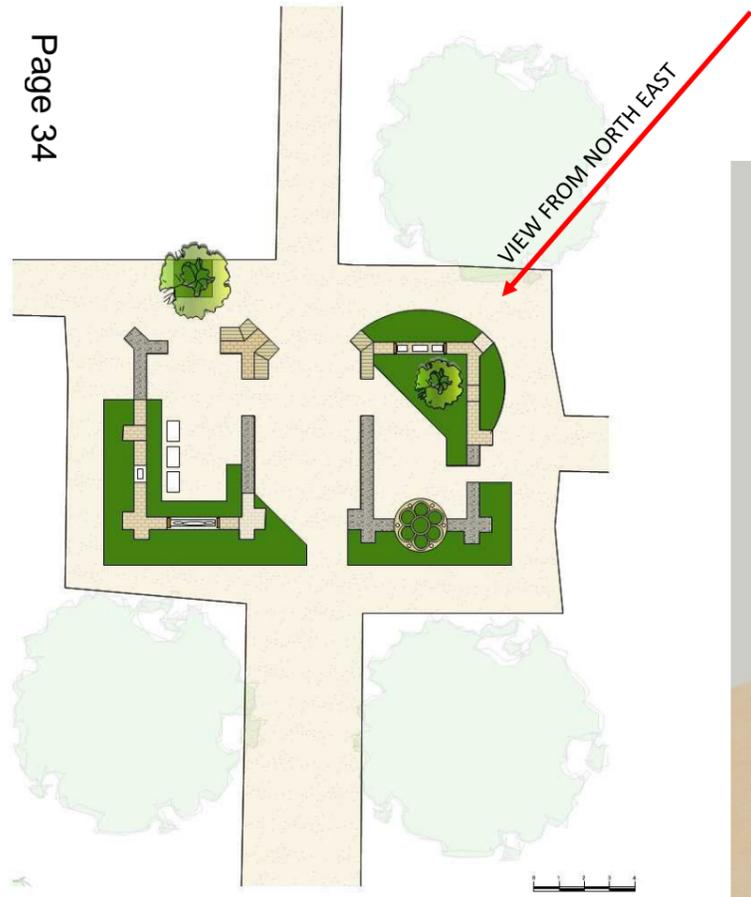


Graduate Landscapes

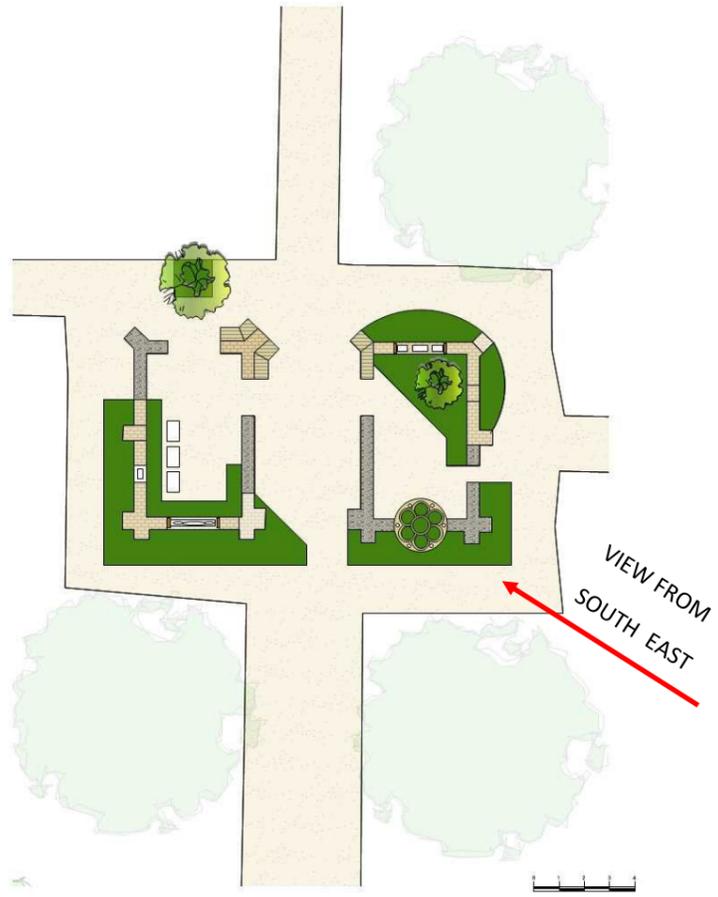




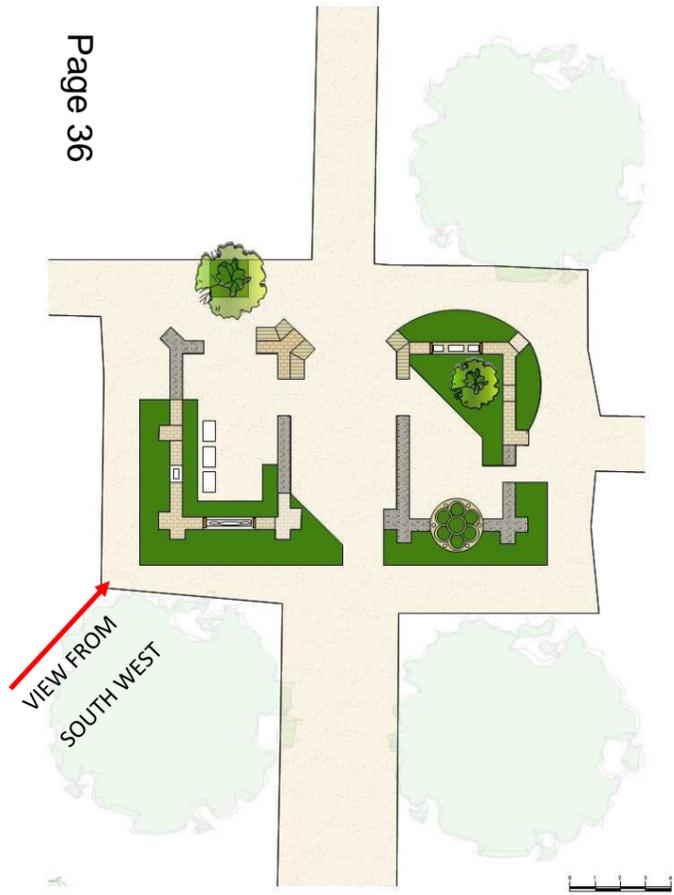
View of 'The Folly' from the North West corner



View of 'The Folly' from the North East corner



View of 'The Folly' from the South East corner



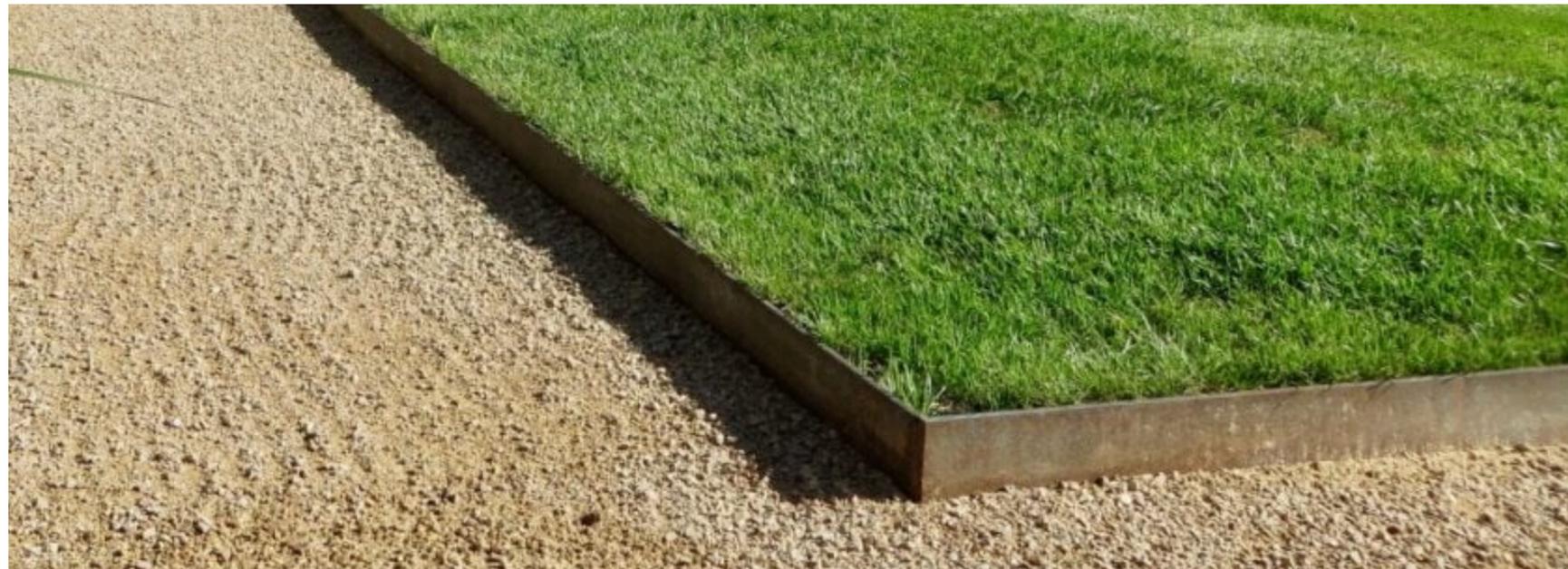
View of 'The Folly' from the South West corner



# Self binding gravel



# Metal Edging



# Information Plaques



Historical information on the columns



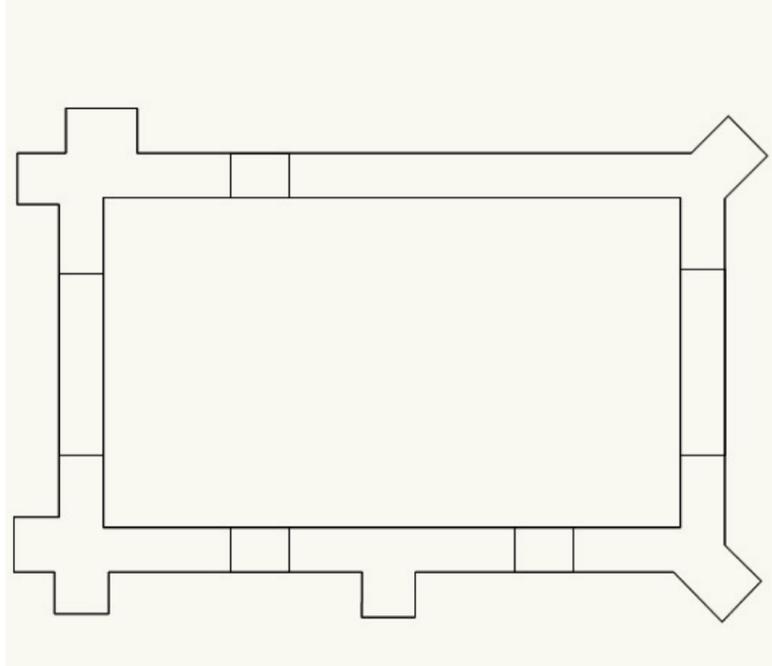
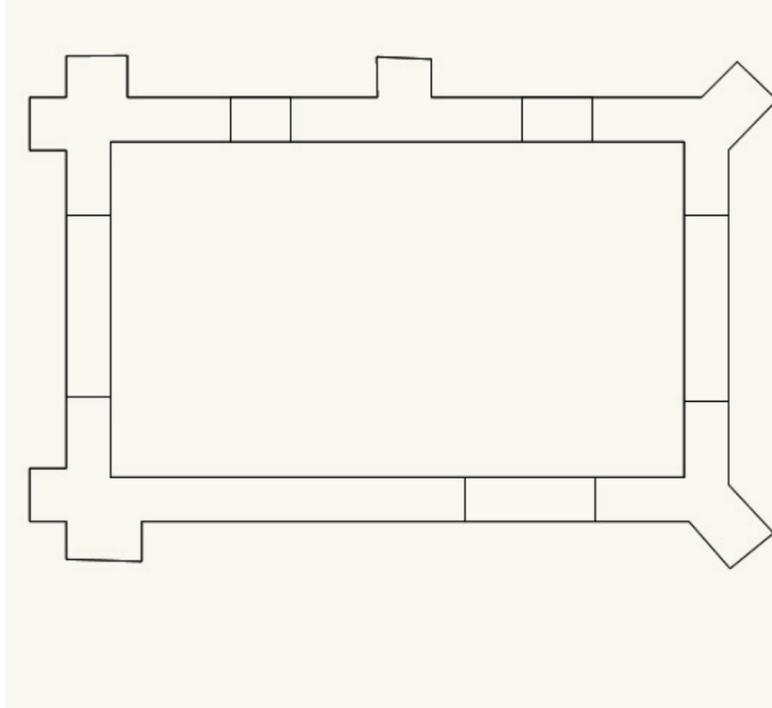
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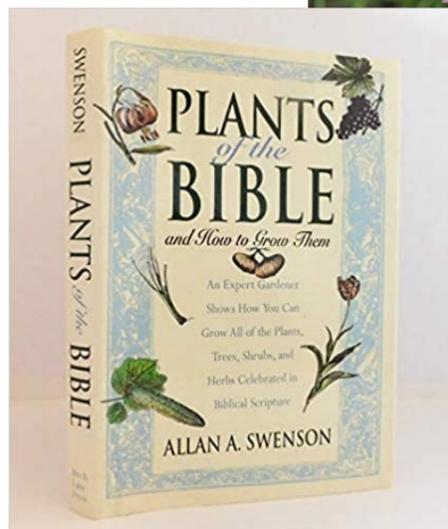
Antique style stainless steel information plaque on the Hale History Project



# Flint cobbles flush with ground level



# Planting



# Tree Suggestions



ALMOND TREE

RENEWAL



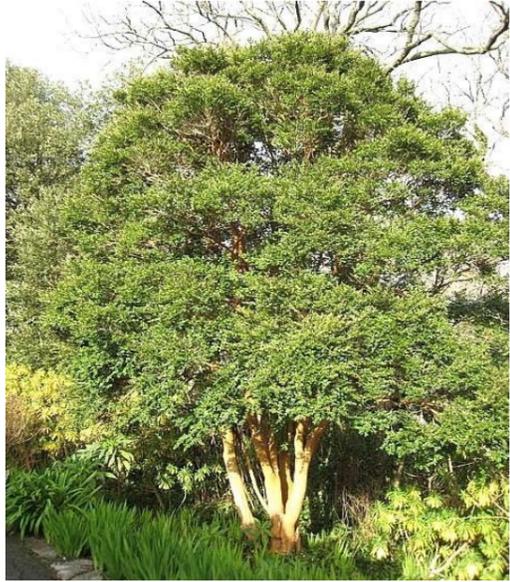
OLIVE TREE

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LIFE



MYRTLE TREE

RECOVERY





# CONCEPT B THE GARDEN

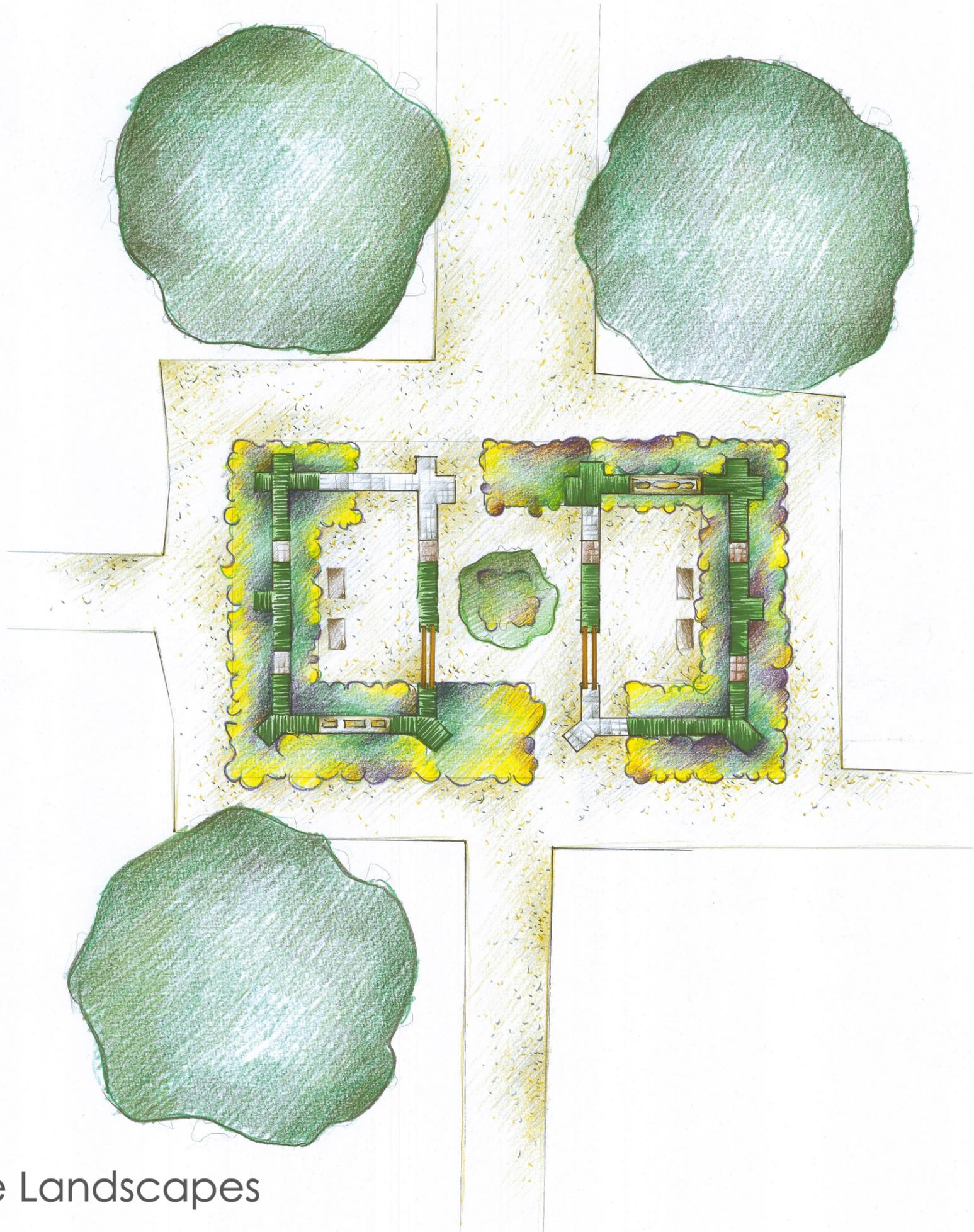
## GARDEN DEFINITION:

*“Gardens of the Bible were places of beauty, shelter, and sustenance. The fruit trees and vines, fragrant herbs and other useful plants, were all key elements of design. The Lord God created the first garden, Eden ”*



GOLD MEDAL





# Concept B The Garden



# Concept B The Garden

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Re-purposed flint setts at ground level to mark existing boundaries of the Chapels

Single stem tree closely related to the Bible as commemorative. Initial suggestions of an Almond tree, an Olive, a Fig, or a Myrtle tree

Decorative gable window at ground level without glazing and stabilised between hedges

2no wooden pergola arches made onsite from the reclaimed wooden roof rafters

Low clipped Taxus (Yew) hedges forming the footprint of the Chapels

Self binding gravel surface

Information plaques

Ground level planting beds edged with metal edging

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Information plaques

Re-purpose flint setts at ground level to mark existing boundaries of Chapel

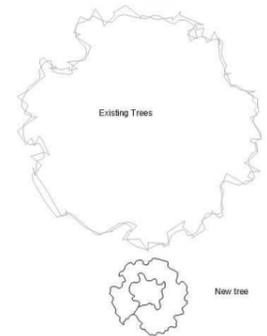
6no. Columns where windows once were—built from reclaimed flint setts and bricks. 1.7m high, 66cm x 50cm wide

Decorative gable window and stone mullions preserved and stabilised at a lower height

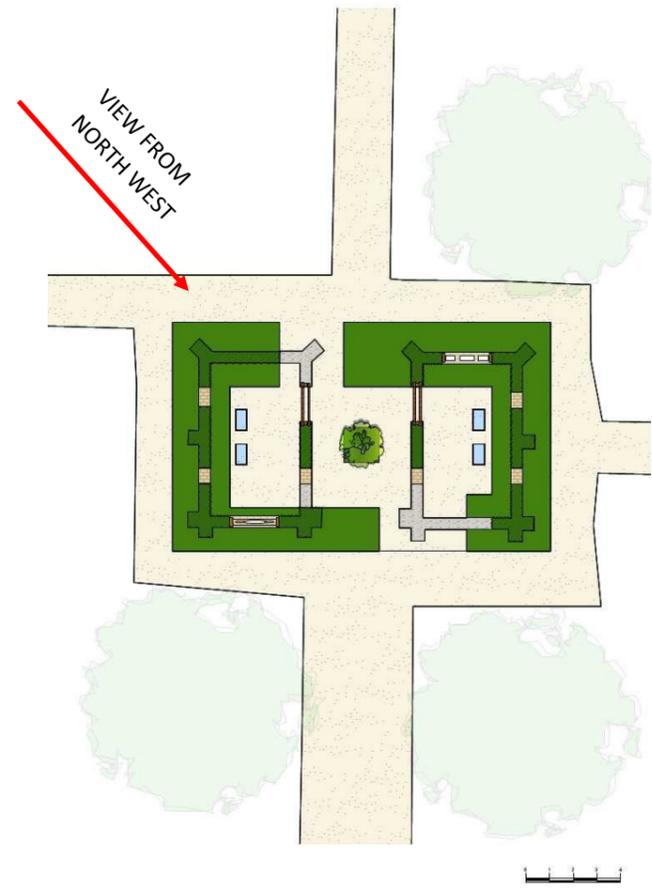


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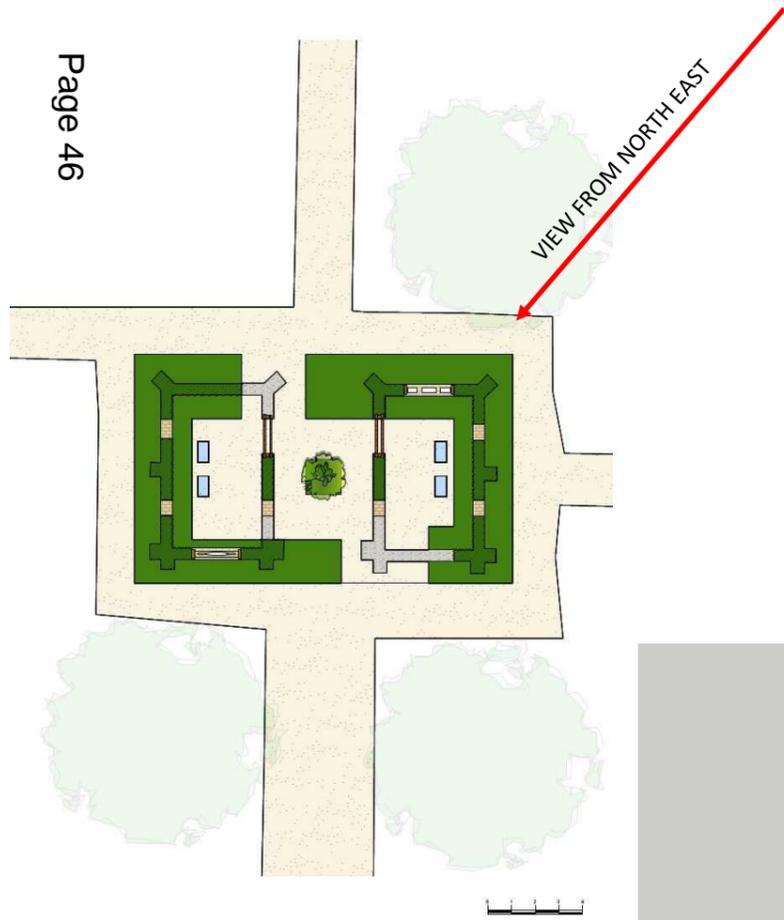
-  Hedge
-  Self binding gravel
-  Planted area with metal edging
-  Flint cobbles
-  Brickwork and flint stonework
-  Information/Memorial Plaques
-  Wooden archway



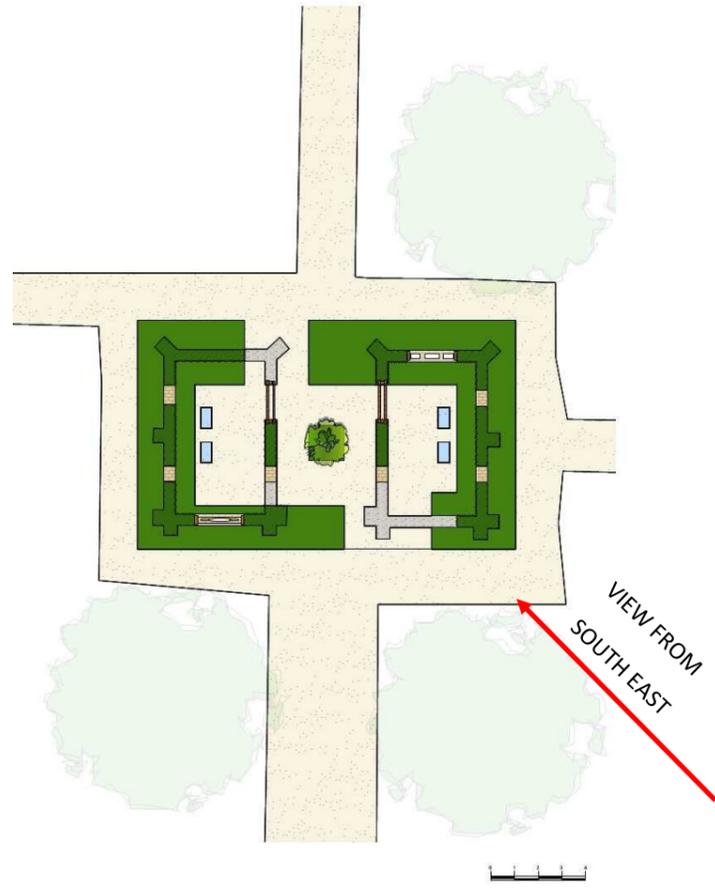
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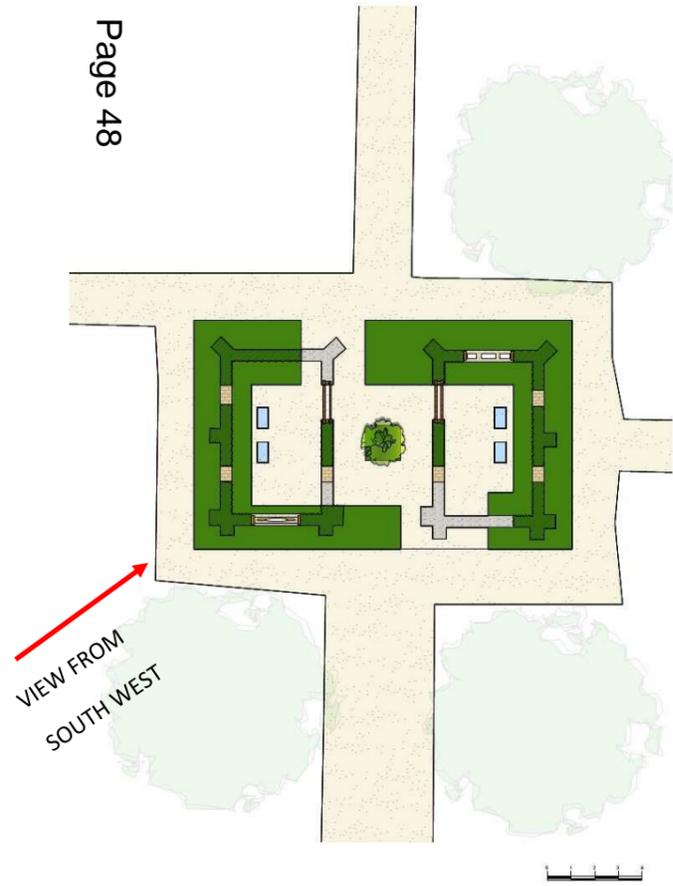
View of 'The Garden' from the North West Corner



View of 'The Garden' from the North East Corner



View of 'The Garden' from the South East Corner



View of 'The Garden' from the South West Corner

# Taxus Hedge



Clipped or left loose, IT ties in with the existing yew tree near the Chapels and common in cemeteries for it is slow growing and requires minimal maintenance



# Wooden Archways



Ideally constructed from the Chapel's own wooden rafters.

Alternatively a new robust structure



# Brick & Flint Column



# Water Features





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**Farnham Design Statement 2022**

Farnham Town Council held a public consultation on amendments agreed after consultation with WBC Officers Sarah Wells and Graham Parrot. The consultation closed 4 July 2022.

Of the twelve responses received, eight represented views of a wider community group or organisation.

Some individual contributions made comment on several character areas. Guidelines were written by local groups, hence the variety. The guidelines for South Farnham (Waverley), for example, were written by the SOFRA committee and shared with residents for amendment.

Comments were made about active travel and topics covered by the Farnham Neighbourhood Plan. These comments are not for a Design Statement.

Comments were made on the text changes from ‘must’ to ‘should’, particularly in guidelines. These changes were at the direction of WBC Officers as the document is Supplementary Planning Guidance not Planning Policy.

Local members have had seven versions to engage with their local community groups and improve the existing plan.

Suggested FDS changes:

2.8	add Badshot Lea to Weybourne and Aldershot and add a final sentence. A further green space, identified in the Farnham Neighbourhood Plan as Brambleton Park, should also be improved and enhanced for public enjoyment. This space is currently owned and managed by Waverley Borough Council.
2.9	change “five” to “six” and “all” to “most” After ....historic character insert new sentence: In January 2021 the Shepherd and Flock roundabout became the latest Conservation Area to be designated in the town.
3.4	change national primary road system to major road network
3.10.2	change Action to Management
3.18	Village halls, community centres, school halls and church halls ...
10.1	... character. Insert “On its northern edge ...”
10.2	add “and boundaries are frequently brick or flint walls, with or without hedges”
10.4	...its unique character. There is a delightful cluster of houses, which are Grade II listed, near the Upper Hale Road and Farnborough Road junction and these must also be protected.
10.6	add final sentence “Views to the southeast from Heath End stretch to the Hogs Back and the Surrey Hills AONB”.
10.7	add "and Heath End" after Hale
10.8	add "Grade II listed" after St. John's and substitute "recently restored Kitty Milroy murals" for “wall paintings” Add Grade II listed to the Methodist Chapel and change "at" to "adjacent to"
10.11.2	add "distinctive character" of the surrounding area
10.11.6	change “on-site” to “off-road”

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## FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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## Notes

### Planning & Licensing Consultative Working Group

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#### Time and date

9.30 am on Monday 4th July, 2022

#### Place

Council Chamber, Farnham Town Council, South Street, Farnham GU9 7RN

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#### Planning & Licensing Consultative Working Group Members Present:

Councillor John "Scotty" Fraser (Lead Member)  
Councillor George Hesse  
Councillor John Neale

Officers: Iain Lynch (Town Clerk)

#### 1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Blishen, Edmonds, Martin and Wicks.

#### 2. Disclosure of Interests

There were no disclosures of interests.

#### 3. Applications Considered for Key/Larger Developments

##### **Farnham Bourne**

##### **WA/2022/01621 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Kate Edwards

LAND WEST OF AND OPPOSITE OLD COMPTON LANE, WAVERLEY LANE, FARNHAM  
Outline application for the erection of up to 146 dwellings (with all matters reserved except for access) together with the provision of Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG) and other open space, parking, infrastructure and landscaping.

**Farnham Town Council objects to development at Land West of and Opposite Old Compton Lane, Waverley Lane as being wholly unacceptable. This is not an approved site in the Farnham Neighbourhood Plan, it is outside the Built Up Area Boundary, contrary to policies: FNP1 for new development; FNP10 - protect and enhance the countryside; and not compliant with FNP30.**

**The proposed site is in an area of High Landscape Sensitivity and High Landscape Value making it unsuitable for development. The access is unacceptable in this**

application with Waverley Lane being unsuitable for the additional traffic movement generated by 146 dwellings.

### **Farnham Castle**

#### **TC/2022/01629 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Carl Housden

LAND OUTSIDE SAINSBURY'S, 16 SOUTH STREET, FARNHAM GU9 7RP

G.P.D.O. Schedule 2, Part 16, Class A: proposed 5G telecoms installation, H3G street pole and additional equipment cabinets.

**Farnham Town Council strongly objects to the proposed location as previously advised. The site is prominent and the mast and associated infrastructure would be wholly inappropriate in the street scene adjacent to the Conservation area. The Town Council has suggested potentially suitable locations elsewhere where there would not be the same level of conflict and where the infrastructure could be more appropriately sited and the mast could be hidden through (for example) an artificial tree structure. The suggestion of including the mast within the spire of the Spire Church (as per their representations) should be actively considered.**

### **Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

#### **WA/2022/01636 Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

Officer: Carl Housden

FARNHAM HEATH END SCHOOL, HALE REEDS, FARNHAM GU9 9BN

Installation of 3G artificial grass pitch together with fencing, floodlighting, hardstanding areas, siting of a storage container and associated car parking and access.

**Farnham Town Council has no objection subject to low level lighting being used to minimise intrusion for neighbours, the imposition of a condition for the switching off of lights at 10pm and the use of a multi-use surface that would be suitable for all sports including competitive hockey (not just training) in view of the success of the Aldershot & Farnham hockey club that uses the existing site.**

**It is essential that the ancient woodland on the edges of the site be protected particularly during construction with effective root protection. There is concern over the suitability of car parking to mitigate problems of parking for neighbours at peak times**

## **4. Applications Considered**

### **Farnham Bourne**

#### **CA/2022/01595 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Theo Dyer

FORDWYCH, 4 MAVINS ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 8JS

GREAT AUSTINS CONSERVATION AREA WORKS TO TREES

**Farnham Town Council, subject to the Arboricultural Officer's comments, welcomes the maintenance of trees to extend their life and associated amenity. In response to a climate emergency, it is vital to retain green infrastructure in line with LPPI policy CCI Climate Change and NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure. Though more relevant to hedge cutting, the bird nesting season is generally March to August – checking for active nests is essential, prior to cutting and pruning during this period.**

#### **WA/2022/01619 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Sam Wallis

20 SCHOOL LANE, LOWER BOURNE, FARNHAM GU10 3PF

Erection of extensions, alterations to elevations and roof.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01623 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Sam Wallis

34 SCHOOL LANE, LOWER BOURNE, FARNHAM GU10 3PF

Erection of extensions and alterations following demolition of existing extensions and detached garage.

**Retaining the character of the terrace of traditional cottages and street scene is vital. Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and materials must be in keeping with existing.**

**WA/2022/01671 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: James Kidger

5 AVELEY LANE, FARNHAM GU9 8PN

Erection of a detached dwelling following demolition of existing semi detached dwelling (revision of WA/2021/02460).

**The previously granted application WA/2021/02460 provided a dwelling in keeping with the character of the area whereas this proposal changes the character with a contemporary appearance. The new dwelling must be compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**Farnham Castle**

**CA/2022/01660 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Theo Dyer

GUILDFORD HOUSE, CASTLE HILL, FARNHAM GU9 7JG

FARNHAM CONSERVATION AREA WORKS TO AND REMOVAL OF TREES

**Farnham Town Council strongly objects to the removal of trees, (and particularly in this case the felling of the yew), especially in a Conservation Area and where no reason for felling is given - the Arboricultural Officer must conduct a site visit. In response to a climate emergency, it is vital to retain green infrastructure in line with LPPI policy CCI Climate Change and NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure. If removal is necessary, suitable replacement trees must be planted.**

Amendments received

**Alterations to roofline to sloped roof. Changes to fenestrations – comments submitted to meet the deadline of 01/07/22.**

**WA/2022/00705 and WA/2022/00706 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Sam Wallis

44 BEAVERS ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 7BD

Listed Building consent for internal and external alterations

**Farnham Town Council maintains its strong objection to the inappropriate development to the rear of the Grade II Listed mid-terrace property, the materials**

and design are unacceptable, not compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP2 Farnham Town Centre Conservation Area and its setting, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design.

This application must be reviewed by the WBC Heritage Officer and Historic England.

**WA/2022/01608 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Lara Davison

AVALON COTTAGE, ALTON ROAD, FARNHAM GU10 5ER

Application for a deemed consent under Section 37 Form B (Type III) of the Electricity Act 1989 to upgrade approximately 90m of 2 Core Low Voltage Overhead Cables to 4 Core Low Voltage Overhead Electricity cables to support a new 3 Phase electricity connection.

**No comments.**

**WA/2022/01640 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Lara Davison

33 THE BOROUGH, FARNHAM GU9 7NJ

Listed Building consent for removal of signage and external ATM & Night Safe. Internally removal of furniture, componentry and marketing.

**Farnham Town Council has no objections. To preserve the character of the Grade II listed building, appropriate reclaimed materials must be used to brick up the openings following the removal of the ATM and Night Safe.**

**WA/2022/01641 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Lara Davison

33 THE BOROUGH, FARNHAM GU9 7NJ

Removal of signage and external ATM & Night Safe. Internally removal of furniture, componentry and marketing.

**Farnham Town Council has no objections. To preserve the character of the Grade II listed building, appropriate reclaimed materials must be used to brick up the openings following the removal of the ATM and Night Safe.**

**Farnham Firgrove**

**TM/2022/01667 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Theo Dyer

FAIRHOLME GARDENS, FARNHAM GU9 8JB

APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO AND REMOVAL OF TREES SUBJECT OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER WA229

**Farnham Town Council leaves to the Arboricultural Officer. In response to a climate emergency, it is vital to retain green infrastructure in line with LPP1 policy CCI Climate Change and NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure. If removal is necessary, replacement trees must be planted.**

Though more relevant to hedge cutting, the bird nesting season is generally March to August – checking for active nests is essential, prior to cutting and pruning during this period.

**WA/2022/01259 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Susie Blackwood

11A WAVERLEY LANE, FARNHAM GU9 8BB

Erection of extensions and alterations.

Documentation for this application was only available to view on the planning portal since 16 June 2022 following an objection from Farnham Town Council on 15 May. This application is still missing the History and Constraints document.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and has no negative impact on the neighbour's amenity from the two-storey extension.**

**WA/2022/01597 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Carl Housden

20 FIRGROVE HILL, FARNHAM GU9 8LQ

Alterations to elevation to provide 2 entrance doorways.

**Farnham Town Council has no objections.**

**WA/2022/01614 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Sam Wallis

4 ARTHUR ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 8PB

Erection of single storey extension to provide attached garage and two storey extension together with creation of vehicular access and associated works following demolition of existing garage.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and has no negative impact on the neighbours' amenity at no. 2 with the two-storey extension close to the boundary.**

**WA/2022/01618 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Sam Wallis

BRIAR BANK, BRIDGEFIELD, FARNHAM GU9 8AN

Erection of extensions following demolition of existing conservatory.

**The application description is too limited considering the extent of the proposals. Existing elevations are not included in the application documentation, these are a standard requirement.**

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and has no negative impact on the neighbour's amenity at Whitegate, The Fairfield.**

**Farnham Hale and Heath End**

**WA/2022/01602 Farnham Hale and Heath End**

Officer: Sam Wallis

29 WHITE COTTAGE CLOSE, FARNHAM GU9 0NL

Erection of a first floor extension and alterations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6**

**Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01605 Farnham Hale and Heath End**

Officer: Carl Housden

LONG MYND, HALE REEDS, FARNHAM GU9 9BN

Application under Section 73 to vary condition 1 of WA/2021/01506 (approved plans) to allow internal and external alterations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the alterations to the plans are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01622 Farnham Hale and Heath End**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

26 RUSHDEN WAY, FARNHAM GU9 0QG

Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 192 for alterations to integral garage to form habitable accommodation.

**No comments.**

**WA/2022/01628 Farnham Hale and Heath End**

Officer: Sam Wallis

2 THE GLADE, FARNHAM GU9 0QT

Erection of extensions and alterations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

Cllr Fraser left at this point

**Farnham Moor Park**

**WA/2022/01606 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Philippa Smyth

RUNFOLD SOUTH QUARRY, GUILDFORD ROAD, FARNHAM

Consultation under Regulation 3 for Non-material amendment to planning permission ref: WA/2020/1463 dated 18 December 2020 to remove the number of units from the description of development.

**Change of description, no comments.**

**WA/2022/01650 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Sam Wallis

4 FARNHAM PARK, UPPER SOUTH VIEW, FARNHAM GU9 7GJ

Alterations to elevation and integral garage to provide habitable accommodation.

**Farnham Town Council notes that in previously granted application WA/2021/03235, Officers found that 1.5 parking spaces be acceptable in this location. This location has no on-street parking available and the on-street parking on the adjacent roads is for properties with no parking facilities. A condition must be included to restrict any resident of no. 4 Farnham Park, Upper South View, from obtaining a parking permit within Farnham's town centre Controlled Parking Zone, as laid down by the Planning Inspectorate for WA/2020/0105 The Woolmead.**

**Farnham Shortheath and Boundstone**

**WA/2022/01601 Farnham Shortheath and Boundstone**

Officer: Sam Wallis

POND COTTAGE, 71 SHORTHEATH ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 8SF

Erection of extensions and alterations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI 6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01666 Farnham Shortheath and Boundstone**

Officer: Sam Wallis

5 CLIFTON CLOSE, WRECCLESHAM, FARNHAM GU10 4TP

Erection of extensions; alterations to roof and attached garage to provide additional habitable accommodation together with alterations to elevations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI 6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

**WA/2022/01590 Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

57 LOWER WEYBOURNE LANE, FARNHAM GU9 9HW

Erection of single storey extension.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension is confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI 6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and has no negative impact on the neighbour's amenity at no. 55 with being on the boundary.**

**WA/2022/01627 Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

30 BULLERS ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 9EP

Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 192 for alterations to roofspace to provide habitable accommodation including installation of rear dormer and rooflights.

**No comments.**

**WA/2022/01675 Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

Officer: Sam Wallis

30 WOODSIDE ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 9DS

Erection of a single storey extension and alterations; alterations to attached garage including raising roof height to provide additional habitable accommodation.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI 6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and sufficient parking is available within the boundary of the property.**

### **Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

#### **WA/2022/01575 Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

Officer: Sam Wallis

104 BOUNDSTONE ROAD, ROWLEDGE, FARNHAM GU10 4AU

Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 192 for erection of a single storey extension.

**No comments.**

#### **WA/2022/01632 Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

Officer: Lara Davison

MERRYTHOUGHT, 30 GARDENERS HILL ROAD, LOWER BOURNE, FARNHAM GU10 3HZ

Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 191 for 30 Gardeners Hill as built; use of the garage in breach of Condition 2 of permission WA/2008/0798; and the construction of a basement.

**Farnham Town Council strongly objects to retrospective planning applications and are not appropriate for a Certificate of Lawfulness. The dwelling must be confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI 10 Protect and Enhance the Countryside and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

#### **5. Appeals Considered**

There were no appeals to be considered.

#### **6. Licensing Applications Considered**

There were no Licensing applications for consideration.

#### **7. Public Speaking at Waverley's Western Planning Committee**

There were no items of public speaking at Western Planning for consideration.

#### **8. Pre-application Consultation Request**

The Consultative Group noted that there were two applications where applicants wished to make a pre-application presentation (Land East of Hale and Monkton Lane) and it was agreed to invite both to make a presentation when all councillors would be invited to attend. This would ideally be prior to the start of a future Planning and Licensing Consultative Group meeting, or immediately afterwards.

#### **9. Date of next meeting**

18<sup>th</sup> July at 9.30 am.

The meeting ended at 12.44 pm

Notes written by Iain Lynch and Jenny de Quervain



# FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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## Notes

### Planning & Licensing Consultative Working Group

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#### **Time and date**

9.30 am on Monday 18th July, 2022

#### **Place**

Council Chamber, Farnham Town Council, South Street, Farnham GU9 7RN

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#### **Planning & Licensing Consultative Working Group Members Present:**

Councillor John "Scotty" Fraser (Lead Member)  
Councillor Roger Blishen  
Councillor Brian Edmonds  
Councillor George Hesse  
Councillor Michaela Martin  
Councillor John Neale  
Councillor Michaela Wicks

Officers: Jenny de Quervain  
Iain Lynch (Presentations only)

#### **I. Pre-application Consultations Presentations**

As agreed at the Planning & Licensing Consultative Group meeting held on 4th July 2022, presentations for pre-planning consultations took place prior to the start of today's meeting.

In attendance: Councillors Blishen, Earwaker, Fraser, Hesse, Martin, Neale, Wicks and Iain Lynch Town Clerk. Land at Hale representatives Fareen Lalani, Robert Steele, Melanie de Wet, Niall Mclaughlin. Monkton Farm representatives Andrew Black, Dan Torrence (Wooldridge Group) and George Woodward (Wooldridge Group).

Via Zoom: Councillors Edmonds, Evans, Merryweather and Jenny de Quervain Officer. Land at Hale/Cratus representatives Jon Forss and Martin Curtis.

#### **Land at Hale**

Ismaili Trust single-storey funeral ceremony pavilion and burial site, following their purchase of the site in October 2020.

#### **Monkton Farm, Monkton Lane**

The front of the site has been identified within the emerging Local Plan Part 2 as a site suitable for traveller pitches. The landowner is looking at an option to bring forward the

travellers pitches at the front of the site alongside a development of wholly affordable housing to the rear.

**2. Apologies for Absence**

None were received.

**3. Disclosure of Interests**

None were received.

**4. Applications Considered for Key/Larger Developments**

**Hart District Council Application, Odiham Ward**

22/01347/EIA | Request for Scoping Opinion in relation to redevelopment proposals of approximately 32 hectares (ha) land at Lodge Farm, North Warnborough. Land At Lodge Farm Hook Road North Warnborough Hook Hampshire

**Farnham Town Council supports comments submitted to Hart District Council by Odiham Parish Council. See comments below.**

Odiham Parish Council's two responses have now been submitted to Hart District Council

**13/22 – Ref: 22/01347/EIA Land At Lodge Farm Hook Road North Warnborough Hook**

Details: Request for Scoping Opinion in relation to redevelopment proposals of approximately 32 hectares (ha) land at Lodge Farm, North Warnborough.

OPC Decision: The EIA for this site should include the topics listed below as this area is close to many SSSIs and residential homes.

**Nationally designated sites**

The development site is within or may impact on the following Sites of Special Scientific Interest: Warnborough Green Site of Special Scientific Interest

Greywell Fen Site of Special Scientific Interest

Basingstoke Canal Site of Special Scientific Interest

Odiham Common with Bagwell Green and Shaw SSI Hook Common & Bartley Heath SSI

Greywell Tunnel (Basingstoke Canal) SSI

Biodiversity and Geodiversity

**Noise**

The Noise Assessment should be required to very specifically include reversing alerts and bleepings and should include receptors in the northern part of North Warnborough Conservation Area both on Hook Road and at Mill Corner, further away from the site than those proposed in paragraph 7.7. It should also include receptors in Potbridge and Whitehall.

**Traffic**

The traffic assessment should include receptor locations where large numbers of smaller vehicles may travel distributing goods outwards from these proposed warehouses through sensitive areas inside adjacent Conservation Areas. The very large volumes of traffic (4,500 to 12,500 approx) per day will have a huge impact on whole surrounding areas as it is likely they will come from north and south as well as east – west on the M3. The assessment should also include the extra vehicles using the site by employees and also users of the electric charging points.

**Soils and Agricultural Land Quality**

Soils are a valuable, finite natural resource and should also be considered for the ecosystem services they provide, including for food production, water storage and flood mitigation, as a

carbon store, reservoir of biodiversity and buffer against pollution. It is therefore important that the soil resources are protected and sustainably managed. Impacts from the development on soils and best and most versatile (BMV) agricultural land should be considered in line with paragraphs 174 and 175 of the NPPF.

### **Non-Significant Topics**

Why are the following scoped out of the ES (page 17) Water Resources, Flood Risk and Drainage, Agriculture, Land Quality and Soils, Ground Conditions and Contamination, Human Health, Waste, Vulnerability to Major Accidents or Disasters, Energy and Sustainability, Utilities, Light Pollution, Daylight, Sunlight and Overshadowing (DSO) and Solar Glare, and Telecommunications? They all need to be scoped in and assessed thoroughly as regards to the significant impact the development would have in each of the areas. They are referred to as Non-Significant Topics on page 68 - clearly they are of utmost significance in order to adhere to National, Regional and local policies and strategies. They need to be scoped in.

- 1.38 Policy NRM6 of the South East Plan and Policy CON1 of the Adopted Hart District Local Plan require that development proposals within 7km of the boundary of the Thames Basin Heaths Special Protection Area (TBHSPA) should be assessed to identify any significant effects on that Area. Not the 5km as stated in the document. Therefore the EIA must be extended as the site falls wholly within the 7km TBHSPA.

### **Air Quality**

The planning system plays a key role in determining the location of developments which may give rise to pollution, either directly, or from traffic generation, and hence planning decisions can have a significant impact on the quality of air, water and land. The ES should take account of the risks of air pollution.

### **Surface Water and Sewage**

The scope of the EIA should include these as all will have a detrimental effect on already known problems in the area. Whatever drainage system is installed it would increase the pressure on the Whitewater River and presents a serious flood risk which would damage homes, wildlife and common land downstream. The land around the end of the lane is currently designated as Flood Zone 3. It is likely that the cessation of abstraction by South East Water from the aquifers at Greywell starting in 2023 will see the river flow increase and rise both on Greywell Fen and further downstream at the site of this potential proposal which is on a historical wetland area.

### **Landscape and visual impacts**

This development site is almost entirely within the original Park Pale of a Royal Park thought to predate Domesday (1086) and affirmed by Historic England as at least from 1216. Royalty hunted here for more than 500 years, with nothing built for 1,000 years; except at Odiham Lodge, now Lodge Farm, and its scheduled remnants of a Roman Villa and a 14th C. Park Keeper's Lodge. For this area of open landscape to be built over for the first time in its history would be a travesty. Its rights of way date back to 1215 when King John rode from Odiham Castle to Windsor to seal Magna Carta at Runnymede.

The settings of the North Warnborough, the Odiham and the Basingstoke Canal Conservation Areas are very important. Screening as shown in the visualisation is wholly inadequate to such a vast task, and most of the intervening vegetation is deciduous and will therefore be ineffective during the winter months. The height of the proposed buildings mean that they will be seen from all the Conservation Areas and will have an impact on the views out from them.

**Expected residues and emissions** (water, air and soil pollution, noise, vibration, light, heat, radiation etc.) resulting from the operation of the proposed development.

## **Biodiversity**

Paragraph 174 of the NPPF states that decisions should contribute to and enhance the natural and local environment by minimising impacts on and providing net gains for biodiversity, including by establishing coherent ecological networks that are more resilient to current and future pressures. Biodiversity Net Gain is additional to statutory requirements relating to designated nature conservation sites and protected species.

**An assessment of alternatives** and clear reasoning as to why the preferred option has been chosen

## **A description of the measures envisaged to prevent, reduce and where possible offset any significant adverse effects on the environment**

### **22/01355/PREAPP – Land at Lodge Farm, Hook Road, North Warnborough, Hook**

Outline application for Use Class B2/B8 warehousing, electric vehicle charging facility, new access from A287, associated works and landscaping.

OPC Comment:

Odiham Parish Council object to this proposal for the following reasons:

## **Landscape and Visual Impacts**

Buildings the size of 13.5 football pitches with a height of 21 metres will be visible from a wide area. There is rising ground towards Odiham and the historic Deer Park and this site will be seen from many widely used footpaths.

This site is almost entirely within the original Park Pale of a Royal Park thought to predate Domesday (1086) and affirmed by Historic England as at least from 1216. Royalty hunted here for more than 500 years, with nothing built for 1,000 years; except at Odiham Lodge, now Lodge Farm, and its scheduled remnants of a Roman Villa and a 14th C. Park Keeper's Lodge. For this area of open landscape to be built over for the first time in its history would be a travesty. Its rights of way date back to 1215 when King John rode from Odiham Castle to Windsor to seal Magna Carta at Runnymede.

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## **Traffic**

5,642 and 14,273 vehicle movements daily on a typical weekday as detailed in their traffic management scheme will have a huge detrimental effect on all surrounding roads and homes. The movements are not likely to be restricted only to the M3 but will be using roads to the north and south of the site. These roads are small A roads and not suitable to large numbers of big HGVs.

## **Noise**

The noise generated by the traffic movements will be heard over a wide area.

## **Sites of SSI**

This development close to many SSSIs will cause damage to these important areas

## **Pollution and Climate Change**

Hart District Council has declared a climate emergency and to approve a proposal of this size which will have huge impact on the surrounding area means there will be light, noise and air

pollution from this development which will have an adverse effect on surrounding residents. HGVs are a main source of roadside nitrogen oxides that are damaging to human health. This goes against NPPF para 174 (e) and 185.

### **Surface water and sewage**

This site is in a flood risk area and there is already pressure on the existing drainage and sewage systems. If there is run off into the River Whitewater this will seriously affect the quality of this important chalk stream. It is likely that the cessation of abstraction by South East Water from the aquifers at Greywell starting in 2023 will see the river flow increase and rise both on Greywell Fen and further downstream at the site of this potential proposal which is on a historical wetland area.

### **Loss of Agricultural land**

The further loss of good agricultural land to help UK food production should be avoided in these times of food security. In summary, this proposal should not be allowed to continue as it is a huge over development in a rural area and will adversely affect nearby residents and have a big detrimental impact on the landscape and SSSIs.

### Amendments received

#### **Amended and updated highways information**

#### **WA/2022/00740 Frensham Dockenfield and Tilford**

Officer: Carl Housden

MORE HOUSE SCHOOL, MOONS HILL, FRENHAM, FARNHAM GU10 3AP

Erection of a sports pavilion, 3G artificial grass pitch together with fencing, floodlighting, hardstanding areas, siting of a storage container, car park and access road.

**Farnham Town Council asks where the County Highways Authority response is as no comments are shown on the planning portal for the original plans or the amended plans?**

**Although amendments have been made to reduce traffic on Hamlash Lane, Farnham Town Council maintains is objection to the inappropriate access using Hamlash Lane, being unsuitable for increased vehicle movement, especially coaches, having a negative impact on the amenity of neighbours and the character of the area, increased light and noise pollution, as well as from vehicles. Due to the site's location, private vehicles will have to be used as public transport is unavailable within the vicinity. There is no pedestrian footway on Hamlash Lane and the increased traffic will be hazardous for residents walking to local facilities and those attempting to access the site on foot.**

### Amendments received

#### **Additional shopfront details.**

#### **WA/2022/00285 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Ruth Dovey

BUILDING D21, LAND CENTRED COORDINATES 484270 146934, EAST STREET, FARNHAM

Erection of shopfront for Unit D21 in relation to details required for Condition 10 of planning permission WA/2016/0268

**Crest has confirmed that the horizontal Hardie plank cladding is smooth Khaki. No further comments required.**

## 5. Applications Considered

### **Farnham Bourne**

#### **WA/2022/01678 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

42 MIDDLE BOURNE LANE, LOWER BOURNE, FARNHAM GU10 3NH

Erection of single storey annex outbuilding for ancillary residential use.

**Annex accommodation must be conditioned ancillary to avoid the use as a separate dwelling and the subdivision of garden land.**

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless single storey annex outbuilding is confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and conditioned ancillary to the dwellinghouse. The impact on the neighbourhood at no. 44 must be considered given the position of the outbuilding to the rear of their boundary.**

#### **WA/2022/01688 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Sam Wallis

104 BURNT HILL ROAD, LOWER BOURNE, FARNHAM GU10 3LJ

Erection of extensions and alterations to existing detached garage to provide additional habitable accommodation (revision of WA/2022/00018).

**Annex accommodation must be conditioned ancillary to avoid the use as a separate dwelling and the subdivision of garden land.**

**It is noted that the design has been altered in response to previous objections to WA/2022/00018.**

**Farnham Town Council maintains its objection to this application first floor accommodation above the garage unless confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction, conditioned ancillary to the dwellinghouse and has no negative impact on the neighbour's amenity at no 112.**

#### **WA/2022/01689 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Sam Wallis

111 BURNT HILL ROAD, LOWER BOURNE, FARNHAM GU10 3LH

Erection of extensions and alterations; erection of detached outbuilding and associated landscaping following demolition of existing lean-to extension and detached outbuilding.

**Annex accommodation must be conditioned ancillary to avoid the use as a separate dwelling and the subdivision of garden land.**

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the detached outbuilding, extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and has no negative impact on the neighbour's amenity at no. 109 and 113.**

**WA/2022/01695 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Sam Wallis

26 VICARAGE HILL, FARNHAM GU9 8HJ

Dormer extensions and alterations to roof and elevations to provide additional habitable accommodation.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP8 South Farnham Arcadian Areas, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01730 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Daniel Holmes

LAND CENTRED COORDINATES 484050 143037, HILLSIDE ROAD, FRENHAM, FARNHAM

Erection of a dwelling, detached garage with ancillary accommodation above and associated access, parking and landscaping.

**Situated outside the built-up area boundary of the Farnham Neighbourhood Plan, in countryside beyond the Green Belt and a candidate area for the Surrey Hills AONB extension. Farnham Town Council objects to the urbanising effect of this application for a new dwelling and detached garage, not being compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI10 Protect and Enhance the Countryside and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, RE1 Countryside beyond the Green Belt, NE1 Biodiversity and Geological Conservation, NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure.**

**Farnham Castle**

**WA/2022/01696 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Sam Wallis

18A LARKFIELD ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 7DB

Erection of single storey extension to include covered porch with alterations to elevations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01715 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Sam Wallis

21 LARKFIELD ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 7DB

Erection of extensions and alterations to provide a two storey dwelling with installation of solar panels

**Although the height has been reduced again in this application, compared to withdrawn applications WA/2022/00645 and WA/2022/00114, Farnham Town Council maintains its objections to the bulk and mass of the proposed replacement of the two bedroom bungalow to a four bedroom, two storey house, having a negative impact on the neighbours' amenity at no. 19 and no. 27, not being compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design.**

**WA/2022/01736 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Tracy Farthing

STRUTT & PARKER LLP, 37 DOWNING STREET, FARNHAM GU9 7PH

Display of non-illuminated fascia sign, replacement hanging sign and internal illuminated vitrine pocket screens.

**The screens are being installed internally. Farnham Town Council has no objections provided that the external signs are confirmed compliant with local policies for the town centre including the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNP2 Town Centre Conservation Area and its setting, FNP4 Advertisement Control and Shopfront Design Guide SPD.**

**WA/2022/01737 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Tracy Farthing

STRUTT & PARKER LLP, 37 DOWNING STREET, FARNHAM GU9 7PH

Listed Building consent for alterations to elevations and the display of non illuminated signs.

**The screens are being installed internally. Farnham Town Council has no objections provided that the external signs are confirmed compliant with local policies for the town centre including the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNP2 Town Centre Conservation Area and its setting, FNP4 Advertisement Control and Shopfront Design Guide SPD.**

**NMA/2022/01749 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Sam Wallis

9 KINGHAM PLACE, WEST STREET, FARNHAM, GU9 7AR

Amendment to WA/2003/1864 for the number of rooflights and the design of the proposed gable wall window.

**No comments required.**

**Farnham Firgrove****WA/2022/01687 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Sam Wallis

29 WAVERLEY LANE, FARNHAM GU9 8BB

Application under section 73 to vary conditions 1 & 2 of WA/2021/01307 (approved plan numbers & restrictions on external materials) to allow alterations to design and external materials.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**Farnham Hale and Heath End****NMA/2022/01762 Farnham Hale and Heath End**

Officer: Carl Housden

LONG MYND, HALE REEDS, FARNHAM GU9 9BN

Amendment to WA/2021/01506 - Internal and external alterations. Client request to make the flow of the property work better.

**These alterations are being sought through WA/2022/01605. No further comments required.**

## **Farnham Moor Park**

### **CA/2022/01709 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Theo Dyer

MULBERRY COTTAGE, 7 BEAR LANE, FARNHAM GU9 7LE  
FARNHAM CONSERVATION AREA WORKS TO TREES

**Farnham Town Council, subject to the Arboricultural Officer's comments, welcomes the maintenance of trees to extend their life and associated amenity. In response to a climate emergency, it is vital to retain green infrastructure in line with LPP1 policy CCI Climate Change and NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure. Though more relevant to hedge cutting, the bird nesting season is generally March to August – checking for active nests is essential, prior to cutting and pruning during this period.**

### **TM/2022/01680 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Theo Dyer

ROCK HOUSE, ROCK HOUSE LANE, RUNFOLD, FARNHAM GU10 INR  
APPLICATION FOR REMOVAL OF TREE SUBJECT OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 04/15

**Farnham Town Council requests that the Arboricultural Officer confirm the condition of the tree. In response to a climate emergency, it is vital to retain green infrastructure in line with LPP1 policy CCI Climate Change and NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure. If removal is necessary, the proposed replanting of a native deciduous tree is vital.**

### **WA/2022/01700 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Sam Wallis

WHITE TREES, 16 COMPTON WAY, FARNHAM GU10 IQZ

Erection of two storey garage building with storage and games room following demolition of existing garage.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the two-storey garage with accommodation above is confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI 6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and conditioned ancillary to the dwellinghouse.**

### **WA/2022/01707 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Carl Housden

ADJACENT 39 TO 43, GUILDFORD ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 9PY

Erection of a toilet block to provide staff toilet facilities and associated packaged sewage treatment plant.

**Farnham Town Council objects to the proposed location of the toilet block and its potential risk of contamination to the watercourse. This location is on the edge of a pond fed by the Nadder Stream, a River Wey tributary. An alternatively location must be found on site with access to the main sewer.**

### **WA/2022/01761 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

33 BROOMLEAF ROAD, FARNHAM, GU9 8DG

Erection of two storey extension and alterations following demolition of existing conservatory.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI 6**

**Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01763 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

8 BRAMBLINGS CLOSE, FARNHAM GU9 8BF

Erection of second storey rear extension including dormer window.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension is confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI 6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and has no negative impact on the neighbour at no.46 from overlooking.**

**Farnham Shortheath and Boundstone**

**TM/2022/01698 Farnham Shortheath and Boundstone**

Officer: Theo Dyer

9 LONGHOPE DRIVE, WRECCLESHAM, FARNHAM GU10 4SN

APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREES SUBJECT OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER 04/99

**Farnham Town Council, subject to the Arboricultural Officer's comments, welcomes the maintenance of trees to extend their life and associated amenity. In response to a climate emergency, it is vital to retain green infrastructure in line with LPPI policy CCI Climate Change and NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure. Though more relevant to hedge cutting, the bird nesting season is generally March to August – checking for active nests is essential, prior to cutting and pruning during this period.**

**WA/2022/01720 Farnham Shortheath and Boundstone**

Officer: Sam Wallis

85 WEYDON LANE, FARNHAM GU9 8UW

Certificate of Lawfulness under Section 192 erection of a single storey rear extension and alterations to roofspace to provide habitable accommodation including rear dormer.

**No comments required.**

**Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

**WA/2022/01703 Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

17 GLORNEY MEAD, BADSHOT LEA, FARNHAM GU9 9NL

Erection of a boundary wall and fence.

**Although a neighbour has made a comment about land ownership, this is not a planning consideration. For information, the Land Registry shows a pending application for registration of the land. Provided that the hedge is retained, Farnham Town Council has no objections to the erection of a boundary wall and fence. It is vital to retain green infrastructure in line with LPPI policy CCI Climate Change and NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure.**

**Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

**WA/2022/01721 Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

Officer: Adam Constantinou

3 WRECCLESHAM ROAD, WRECCLESHAM, FARNHAM GU9 8TY

Erection of single storey extensions and alterations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01755 Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

Officer: Sam Wallis

HOLT POUND FARM, WRECCLESHAM HILL, WRECCLESHAM, FARNHAM GU10 4JU

Alterations to vehicular access with improved sight lines and associated work.

**Given the additional residential development at Holt Pound Farm, safe access on to the A325 is vital. Provided that the alterations are approved by the County Highways Authority, Farnham Town Council has no objections.**

**6. Surrey County Council Mineral, Waste, or Other Applications/Consultations**

**Farnham Moor Park**

Farnham Town Council participates in Community Liaison Group meetings for the SUEZ site. The report included in these applications Runfold Quarry – Five Year Aftercare Strategy (rev3), is a requirement of Condition 32. It is an interesting read for example, details of additional elements to enhance biodiversity:

- Creation of a species-rich wildflower grassland in the northernmost field unit, located between the site offices and the surface water pond;
- Management of the smaller field unit south of the pond to create a tussocky grassland attractive to ground nesting birds;
- Retention of a low (less than 1m high) sand cliff at the northern end of the mineral tunnel infilling to create a Hymenoptera habitat (for solitary bees and wasps);
- Creation of additional bat habitat in the former WW2 pillbox;
- Ensuring field gates are of a dormouse-friendly design

**Farnham Town Council relies on the Community Liaison Group being best informed to monitor planning applications and provide comment as necessary.**

**WA/2022/01704 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Daniel Holmes

SITA, RUNFOLD SOUTH QUARRY, GUILDFORD ROAD, FARNHAM

Details of an Aftercare Strategy pursuant to Condition 32 of planning permissions ref:

WA/2021/01282 dated 9 December 2021 (County matters planning application registered for County Planning Authority).

**WA/2022/01708 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Daniel Holmes

RUNFOLD SOUTH QUARRY, GUILDFORD ROAD, FARNHAM

Details of an Aftercare Strategy pursuant to Condition 32 of planning permission ref:

WA/2021/01283 dated 16 December 2021 (County matters planning application registered for County Planning Authority).

**WA/2022/01710 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Daniel Holmes

RUNFOLD SOUTH QUARRY, GUILDFORD ROAD, FARNHAM

Details of an Aftercare Strategy pursuant to Condition 32 of planning permission ref: WA/2021/01284 dated 16 December 2021 (County matters planning application registered for County Planning Authority).

**WA/2022/01713 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Daniel Holmes

RUNFOLD SOUTH QUARRY, GUILDFORD ROAD, FARNHAM

Details of an Aftercare Strategy pursuant to Condition 32 of planning permission ref:

WA/2021/01285 dated 16 December 2021 (County matters planning application registered for County Planning Authority).

**7. Appeals Considered**

There were no appeals to considered.

**8. Licensing Applications Considered**

**Minor Variation**

Lidl, Dogflud Way, Farnham, GU9 7UD

Lidl Great Britain Ltd

This application is for the replacement licensing plan following minor internal alterations only. No other changes are requested to the licensable activities.

**No comments required.**

**Street Trading Consent**

Whippy King Ices

Waverley Borough Council is currently in receipt of an application for a Street Trading Consent from Whippy King Ices to sell ice-creams from a mobile van trading within Waverley, excluding Cranleigh. The application is for trading seven days a week between the hours of 10:00 and 19:00 from March – September only.

For information, Godalming Town Council has objected: Godalming Town Council objects to a Godalming Wide street trading permission and would wish to see a restriction placed that trading from this Ice Cream Van is not to take place at any time in the following locations

Borough Road, Godalming; The Burys, Godalming; Wharf Street, Godalming; Bridge Street, Godalming; High Street, Godalming; Church Street, Godalming; Moss Lane, Godalming; Great George Street, Godalming.

Godalming Town Council believes its objections are in line with the Waverley Street Trading policy 2021 section 2.5

*“2.5 In determining an application, the sufficiency of other trading outlets to serve the needs of an area will always be considered. A new consent is unlikely to be granted where it is considered that adequate like provision already exists. For special events falling under schedule 2 of this policy the needs test may be exempted where appropriate. “*

Godalming Town Council remains consistent in its approach that its daytime economy is well served within the Godalming Primary Retail area and wishes to protect its permanent retail offering. Godalming Primary retail centre has an established range of outlets that serve the needs of the community for the sale of ice creams and associated items and believes that granting of

permission for a mobile ice cream vendor to operate within the named roads will undermine the economic sustainability of the Primary retail centre.

### **Street Trading Consent**

Whippy King Ices

**Godalming Town Council's objection was discussed. It was felt that the ice cream van is unlikely to be trading in Farnham town centre and if it did, businesses within the town centre do not generally have this offering. Trading is not permitted in Gostrey Meadow as this is done only by agreement with Farnham Town Council.**

**Farnham Town Council requests that the vehicle switches off its engine when stationary and serving customers to avoid unnecessary air pollution. Equipment onboard can be run by electric without the diesel engine running.**

## **9. Waverley Borough Council Street Naming Applications Considered**

**Street Naming Application SNN/2022/0147** – a new road on land at Waverleys Folly, St Georges Road, Badshot Lea, Farnham GU10 IPP, a new development for 23 dwellings

The name being proposed is **GOSLINGS PLACE**.

A local resident has put forward the name 'Goslings', the original name of the field. This has been accepted by the developer. The suffix Place has been added, a bit grand for the development!

**Farnham Town Council has no objections, if supported by local residents.**

## **10. Public Speaking at Waverley's Western Planning Committee**

The application below is listed on the agenda for the next Western Planning Committee being held on 20<sup>th</sup> July:

### **WA/2022/00386 Farnham Upper Hale**

Erection of 3 x dwellings; relocation of existing site entrance.

12 UPPER HALE ROAD FARNHAM GU9 0NJ

**No representative was put forward to speak. Farnham Town Council relies on Waverley's Western Planning Committee members to represent local views on this application.**

## **11. Date of next meeting**

1<sup>st</sup> August at 9.30 am.

The meeting ended at 12.35pm

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# FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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## Notes

### Planning & Licensing Consultative Working Group

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#### Time and date

9.30 am on Monday 1st August, 2022

#### Place

Council Chamber, Farnham Town Council, South Street, Farnham GU9 7RN

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#### Planning & Licensing Consultative Working Group Members Present:

Councillor John "Scotty" Fraser (Lead Member)  
Councillor Roger Blishen  
Councillor Brian Edmonds  
Councillor Michaela Martin  
Councillor John Neale

Officers: Jenny de Quervain

#### 1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Hesse and Wicks.

#### 2. Disclosure of Interests

The Officer declared a non pecuniary interest to WA/2022/01856 due to vicinity.

#### 3. Applications Considered for Key/Larger Developments

##### **Farnham Hale and Heath End/Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

##### **Toob Limited**

Under Regulation 5 of the Electronics Communications Code (Conditions and Restrictions) (Amendment) Regulations 2017, Toob intend to install fixed line broadband electronic communications apparatus with 28 day's notice (as at 22 July 2022). The 4 sites proposed for 9m poles so far are: 9 Fairview Gardens; Brook House, Fairview Gardens; 56A White Cottage Close; O/S 14 Wentworth Close

**Farnham Town Council objects to the erection of telegraphs poles for the installation of broadband communications. Ground installation or ducting is more appropriate, especially in streets with narrow pavements or where there are no other existing telegraph poles, Fair View Gardens for example, even though this**

may be more costly. Telegraph poles will have a negative visual impact on the street scene and add to street clutter. No mention has been made of the installation of cabinets to support this new infrastructure; cabinet locations must be consulted upon to avoid any further negative communication and complaints to Toob.

### **Farnham Firgrove**

#### **WA/2022/01779 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Adam Constantinou

ST POLYCARPS ROMAN CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, WAVERLEY LANE, FARNHAM GU9 8BQ

Erection of extensions to an existing double height hall to include kitchenette, WCs and store, with additional 2 WCs to courtyard area.

**Farnham Town Council welcomes improvements to the existing facilities at St Polycarps Roman Catholic Primary School.**

### **Farnham Moor Park**

#### **WA/2022/01773 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Ruth Dovey

BRIGHTWELLS REGENERATION SCHEME, BRIGHTWELLS ROAD, FARNHAM

Installation of roof mounted PV panels across 7 buildings.

**Farnham Town Council welcomes the installation of roof mounted PV panels across the site.**

### **Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

Amendments received

**Amended to reduce number of dwellings**

**Amendment to affordable provision - now 40%**

**Provision of additional highways information**

#### **WA/2021/02902 Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

Officer: Ruth Dovey

LAND REAR OF MONKTON HOUSE, FORMERLY BINDON HOUSE, MONKTON LANE FARNHAM

Outline application with all matters reserved except access for the erection of up to 65 affordable dwellings.

**Farnham Town Council maintains its strong objects to the proposed development of land rear of Monkton House. Local Plan Part I (LPP1) policy TD1 Townscape and Design states: account will be taken of design guidance adopted by the Council including design and development briefs, Conservation Area Appraisals and associated Management Plans, town and village design statements and other design policies and guidance produced within subsequent Development Plan Documents, Supplementary Planning Documents and Neighbourhood Plans. This is not an approved development site in the Farnham Neighbourhood Plan 2020, is outside the Built-up Area Boundary and not compliant with FNPI New Development and Conservation and FNPI4 Housing Site Allocations.**

**The proposed development would be detrimental to the general character and appearance of the area, in conflict with FNPI0 Protect and Enhance the Countryside and FNPI1 Preventing Coalescence and have a negative impact on the listed and locally listed buildings and their setting.**

The proposal is in conflict with FNP30 Transport Impact of Development. The access is inadequate and local road network cannot support the increased vehicle movement generated by the reduced 56 dwellings let alone the original proposed 65 dwellings.

Sewage capacity is insufficient at the wastewater treatment site and additional development on the adjacent road has contributed to surface water flooding. Further development will exacerbate local flooding, the culverts on Weybourne Road and Monkton Lane have not been maintained, being silted by other developments, blocked with broken brickwork and damaged banks.

Previous planning application WA/2014/1957 for 61 dwellings was refused in January 2015. The Secretary of State disagreed with the appeal of WA/2015/1484 for 56 Dwellings, dismissing the planning appeal and refusing planning permission in March 2018. This application, even reduced to 56 dwellings, is not acceptable, contrary to the Farnham Neighbourhood and must be refused.

#### 4. Applications Considered

##### **Farnham Bourne**

###### **WA/2022/01776 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Daniel Holmes

62 MIDDLE BOURNE LANE, LOWER BOURNE, FARNHAM GU10 3NJ

Change of use of home gym (use class C3) to mixed use residential and business (use class E(d)) for use as a gym for pilates business.

**Changes to the garage were granted through planning application WA/2020/0123. Farnham Town Council raises objection to the use of the home gym as a business unless sufficient parking is available within the boundary of the property to serve the dwelling and the business. Vehicles must egress in forward gear and the access be approved by Surrey Highways. Confirmation is sought from the Planning Officer that the driveway has a minimum of seven parking spaces available as noted in the applicant's Planning Statement. The gym includes self-contained accommodation above therefore should be conditioned ancillary to the dwellinghouse.**

###### **WA/2022/01816 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Adam Constantinou

3 MIDDLE BOURNE LANE, LOWER BOURNE, FARNHAM GU10 3ND

Erection of an extension and alterations following demolition of extension.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

###### **WA/2022/01818 Farnham Bourne**

Officer: Carl Housden

5 LEIGH LANE, FARNHAM GU9 8HP

Erection of a dwelling and associated works following demolition of an ancillary outbuilding and demolition of annexe attached to existing dwelling.

**Alterations to existing ancillary building to an independent dwelling were granted permission in March 2022 under WA/2021/01750 whereas Erection of a dwelling and**

associated works following demolition of existing outbuilding was refused under WA/2017/2360 in March 2018 and dismissed at appeal September 2018.

Farnham Town Council objects to the erection of a dwelling in the garden of 5 Leigh Lane and supports the Inspector's conclusion:

(a) The character and appearance of the area. Para 12. For these reasons, I conclude that the proposed development would be harmful to the character and appearance of the area. The proposal would, therefore, conflict with Policy TDI of the Waverley Borough Local Plan (Part 1) 2018 (Local Plan 2018), Policies DI and D4 of the Waverley Borough Local Plan 2002 (Local Plan 2002) and Policies FNPI and FNP8 of the Farnham Neighbourhood Plan and the Farnham Design Statement. These policies seek, amongst other matters, to ensure that the character and amenity of the Borough is protected and require development to respond to the distinctive local character of the area in which it is located, which includes maintaining the informal rural character of South Farnham.

(b) Highway safety. Para 17. For the reasons above the proposed development would have a harmful effect on highway safety. The proposal would, therefore, conflict with Policy ST1 of the Local Plan 2018 and paragraphs 108 and 109 of the Framework that seek, amongst other matters, to prevent an unacceptable impact on highway safety.

### **Farnham Castle**

#### **WA/2022/01809 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

1 PARK ROW, FARNHAM GU9 7JH

Alterations to elevations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the alterations are approved by the Heritage Officer and confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP2 Town Centre Conservation Area and its setting, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design.**

#### **WA/2022/01810 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

1 PARK ROW, FARNHAM GU9 7JH

Listed Building consent for internal and external alterations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the alterations are approved by the Heritage Officer and confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP2 Town Centre Conservation Area and its setting, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design.**

#### **WA/2022/01828 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Adam Constantinou

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK PLC, 38-39 THE BOROUGH, FARNHAM GU9 7NP

Alterations to elevations following removal of signage, external ATM and night safe.

**Farnham Town Council has no objections. To preserve the character of the Grade II listed building, appropriate reclaimed materials must be used to brick up the openings following the removal of the ATM and Night Safe.**

**WA/2022/01829 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Adam Constantinou

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BANK PLC, 38-39 THE BOROUGH, FARNHAM GU9 7NP

Listed Building consent for alterations to elevations following removal of signage, external ATM and night safe together with internal removal of retail bank fixtures and fittings.

**Farnham Town Council has no objections. To preserve the character of the Grade II listed building, appropriate reclaimed materials must be used to brick up the openings following the removal of the ATM and Night Safe.**

Officer declared a non pecuniary interest due to vicinity.

**WA/2022/01856 Farnham Castle**

Officer: Tracy Farthing

4 TOR ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 7BX

Erection of a bungalow and associated works including widening of existing access following demolition of bungalow.

**Farnham Town Council objects to the replacement bungalow with excessive glazing to the rear, being unneighbourly with being built to the boundary – this will be an issue for the build and maintenance as well as the visual impact with the length of wall above the fence line, not compliant with Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction. The proposed drawings and visual illustrative images are misleading, depicting the development in a park-like setting floating in a greenspace. The images exclude the neighbours' boundaries, any other built form or streetscape to show the true impact of the development.**

**Farnham Firgrove**

**WA/2022/01778 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

61 ARTHUR ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 8PD

Erection of two storey and single storey extensions and alterations; creation of vehicular access and dropped kerb.

**WA/2019/1261 Erection of a dwelling and vehicle crossover (revision of WA/2019/0112) refused November 2019. Appeal dismissed November 2020.**

**WA/2019/0112 Erection of a dwelling withdrawn May 2019. This application is for a two-storey extension instead of the previous additional dwelling.**

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions, alterations and new vehicle access are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI 6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction, has sufficient parking within the boundary of the property, vehicles egress is in forward gear and the access is approved by Surrey Highways.**

**Given the application history, the extension must be conditioned ancillary to the dwellinghouse to avoid the use as a separate dwelling and the subdivision of garden land in the future.**

**WA/2022/01788 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Sam Wallis

59 BRIDGEFIELD, FARNHAM GU9 8AW

Erection of extensions including roof extension following partial demolition (revision of WA/2021/02263).

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01808 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

45A FIRGROVE HILL, FARNHAM GU9 8LP

Erection of extensions and alterations together with alterations to existing garage to provide a gym.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and sufficient parking is available within the boundary of the property.**

**WA/2022/01864 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Adam Constantinou

15 GROVE END ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 8RD

Erection of entrance porch and alterations to elevations; installation of additional rooflights, following demolition of existing conservatory.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the porch and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01865 Farnham Firgrove**

Officer: Adam Constantinou

49 RYLE ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 8RN

Erection of extension.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension is confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**Farnham Hale and Heath End**

**PRA/2022/01790 Farnham Hale and Heath End**

Officer: Sam Wallis

135 UPPER WEYBOURNE LANE, FARNHAM GU9 9DD

Erection of a single storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original house by 3.20 m, for which the height would be 3.60 m, and for which the height of the eaves would be 2.70 m.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension is confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01841 Farnham Hale and Heath End**

Officer: Sam Wallis

83 RUSHDEN WAY, FARNHAM GU9 0QQ

Erection of extensions and alterations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and sufficient off-road parking is available to the front of the property.**

**Farnham Moor Park**

**NMA/2022/01799 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Carl Housden

SOUTH WEALD, 3 LYNCH ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 8BZ

Amendment to WA/2020/0449 to amend the width and depth of approved rear veranda; as well as amendments to rear ground floor fenestration.

**No comments required.**

**TM/2022/01846 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Theo Dyer

16 FARNHAM MILL LANE, FARNHAM GU9 9FN

APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO TREES SUBJECT OF TREE PRESERVATION ORDER WA308

**Farnham Town Council, subject to the Arboricultural Officer's comments, welcomes the maintenance of trees to extend their life and associated amenity. In response to a climate emergency, it is vital to retain green infrastructure in line with LPP1 policy CCI Climate Change and NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure. Though more relevant to hedge cutting, the bird nesting season is generally March to August – checking for active nests is essential, prior to cutting and pruning during this period.**

**WA/2022/01777 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Sam Wallis

HAZELWOOD BARN, TONGHAM ROAD, RUNFOLD, FARNHAM GU10 1PJ

Erection of a 3 bay detached garage.

**Situated outside the built-up area boundary of the Farnham Neighbourhood Plan, in countryside beyond the Green Belt and located in the Farnham Aldershot Strategic Gap. Farnham Town Council raises objection unless the detached garage is confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP10 Protect and Enhance the Countryside and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, RE1 Countryside beyond the Green Belt, C4 and RE3 Farnham Aldershot Strategic Gap, HAI Protection of Heritage Assets and Residential Extensions SPD.**

**WA/2022/01794 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Sam Wallis

3 HALE ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 9QQ

Erection of extension and alterations following demolition of existing extension.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPP1 policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01814 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Sam Wallis

WILTON HOUSE, 53 HALE ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 9QZ

Erection of extensions and alterations following demolition of detached garage and store.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01867 Farnham Moor Park**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

11 HALE ROAD, FARNHAM GU9 9QQ

Erection of extension, entrance porches and alterations to elevations; alterations to roof to include dormer extensions, rooflights and balcony to provide additional accommodation in roof space together with demolition of chimney stack; erection of brick piers, fencing and entrance gates with associated hard landscaping.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction. It is unlikely that gates can be added to boundary as insufficient spaces is available for vehicles to pull off the highway.**

**Farnham Shortheath and Boundstone**

**NMA/2022/01844 Farnham Shortheath and Boundstone**

Officer: Sam Wallis

7 BIRCH CLOSE, WRECCLESHAM, FARNHAM GU10 4TJ

Amendment to WA/2022/00370 - Additional window on rear elevation. Window removed on side I elevation. Window arrangement altered due to change to kitchen layout.

**No Comments required.**

**WA/2022/01831 Farnham Shortheath and Boundstone**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

DERWENT LODGE, 9A LONGHOPE DRIVE, WRECCLESHAM, FARNHAM GU10 4SN

Erection of outbuilding for use as garage and ancillary accommodation with associated landscaping following demolition of existing outbuilding.

**Farnham Town Council maintains its objection to this application unless the garage with accommodation is confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNPI6 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and conditioned ancillary to the dwellinghouse.**

**Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

**WA/2022/01840 Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

Officer: Sam Wallis

13 HURLANDS PLACE, FARNHAM GU9 9HX

Erection of extensions and alterations.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham**

**Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction.**

**WA/2022/01866 Farnham Weybourne and Badshot Lea**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

47 WEYBOURNE ROAD, FARNHAM, GU9 9ET

Erection of extensions and alterations following demolition of extension.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extensions and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction and has no negative impact on the neighbours' amenity at no. 45 and no. 49.**

**Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

**TM/2022/01800 Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

Officer: Theo Dyer

HOLLISWOOD HOUSE, 13 HOLLIS WOOD DRIVE, WRECCLESHAM, FARNHAM GU10 4JT  
APPLICATION FOR WORKS TO AND REMOVAL OF TREES SUBJECT OF TREE  
PRESERVATION ORDER 03/11

**Farnham Town Council objects to the removal of TPO trees and requests that the Arboricultural Officer confirm the condition of the Cyprus trees. If this is a woodland setting, perhaps a Woodland TPO is appropriate for the location? In response to a climate emergency, it is vital to retain green infrastructure in line with LPPI policy CCI Climate Change and NE2 Green and Blue Infrastructure. Though more relevant to hedge cutting, the bird nesting season is generally March to August – checking for active nests is essential, prior to cutting and pruning during this period.**

**WA/2022/01772 Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

52 THE STREET, WRECCLESHAM, FARNHAM GU10 4QR

Erection of a porch.

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the porch is confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP6 Wrecclesham Conservation Area and its setting, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and materials are appropriate for the character of the property and street scene.**

**WA/2022/01851 Farnham Wrecclesham and Rowledge**

Officer: Lauren Kitson

32 ECHO BARN LANE, WRECCLESHAM, FARNHAM GU10 4NH

Erection of extension and alterations to elevations with associated works following demolition of detached garage (revision of WA/2022/00522).

**Farnham Town Council raises objection to this application unless the extension and alterations are confirmed compliant with the Farnham Design Statement, Farnham Neighbourhood Plan policy FNPI New Development and Conservation, FNP16 Extensions, Residential Extensions SPD and LPPI policy TDI Townscape and Design, CCI Climate Change and CC2 Sustainable Construction. The dwelling is located on an alternative route for HGVs, construction vehicles and materials must be kept onsite to avoid obstructing the highway.**

**5. Appeals Considered**

There were no appeals to consider.

**6. Licensing Applications Considered**

There were no Licensing applications to consider.

**7. Public Speaking at Waverley's Western Planning Committee**

There were none for this meeting.

**8. Date of next meeting**

15<sup>th</sup> August at 9.30 am.

The meeting ended at 11.05 am

Notes written by Jenny de Quervain