MINUTES of the **PLANNING AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING** held at Epping Hall, St. John's Road, Epping on **Tuesday, 12th January 2016** at **19.30 hours**.

PRESENT: Cllr N Avey (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs B Scruton (Vice Chairman)
Cllr M Wright (Town Mayor)
Cllr L Burrows (Deputy Town Mayor)
Cllr Mrs D Baird
Cllr A Church
Cllr G Scruton
Cllr J A Smith
Cllr D Spillman
Cllr Miss H Whitbread

ABSENT: None.

IN ATTENDANCE: One member of the public and one member of the press.

OFFICER: Beverley Rumsey (Interim Town Clerk)

337 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

338 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Item 7 Planning Applications (Non Pecuniary):

There were no declarations of interest.

Cllrs A Church and N Avey requested an entry to be made in the minutes, to make it clear, that as members of both the Town and District Councils, they will reconsider all matters at District level taking into account all relevant evidence and representations at the District tier. Therefore, they cannot be bound in any way by any view expressed in the parish tier or by the decisions of this Committee.

339 **DISPENSATIONS**

There were no dispensations.

340 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Committee **RESOLVED** that:

the minutes of the meeting of the Planning & General Purposes Committee held on Tuesday, 22nd December 2015 be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

341 **PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS**

There were no public questions or comments.

342 **NOTICES AND INFORMATION**

(i) The Interim Town Clerk explained that a developer wished to discuss their ideas before the submission of plans. Committee would rather not meet developers in this way.

(ii) The Interim Town Clerk advised members of enforcement cases concerning Coopersale House, Houblons Hill; 29 The Orchards and 102 High Street.

343 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Committee **CONSIDERED** the following planning and tree applications received from Epping Forest District Council since the date of the previous meeting until the date of this agenda.

EPF/3011/15	92 High Street CM16 4AE Dr Diarmuid McCann	Ground floor rear extension.
Committee have **NO OBJECTION** to this application.		
LB/EPF/2896/15	92 High Street CM16 4AE Mr D McCann	Grade II Listed Building application for a ground floor rear extension.
Committee have **NO OBJECTION** to this application.		
EPF/2945/15	Scaddings Barn Coopersale Street CM16 7PG Mr Barry Samms	Grade II listed building consent for proposed alterations to convert garden store to enlarge gym.
Committee have **NO OBJECTION** to this application, providing the conservation officer is satisfied with the proposal.		
EPF/2981/15	141 Lindsey Street CM16 6RF Mrs Zoe Clarke	**Resubmission of refused application: EPF/1028/15** Demolition of existing garage and construction of new garage with open bay, office and study. A single storey rear extension to the kitchen and internal works.
Committee **OBJECT** to this application. Whilst Committee note the reduction from a double to single storey garage, the proposal is still an overdevelopment of the site. The garage is disproportionately high in relation to the main dwelling and will have a detrimental effect on both the existing street scene and openness of the Green Belt. Its proximity to the boundary would result in unsympathetic change for the neighbouring property.		

Relevant policies: CP2, CP7, DBE1(i), DBE2, DBE4, DBE9 (i), DBE10, GB2A. Committee have **NO OBJECTION** to the single storey rear extension to the kitchen.		
EPF/3087/15	56 Parklands Coopersale CM16 7RF Mr Lee Ford	Rear single storey extension.
Committee have **NO OBJECTION** to this application.		
EPF/3099/15	42 Lincolns Field CM16 5DZ	Ground floor side/rear extension.
Committee have **NO OBJECTION** to this application.		
EPF/3067/15	11 Woodberry Down CM16 6RJ Mr Mathew Jolly	Single storey rear extension.
Committee have **NO OBJECTION** to this application.		
EPF/3146/15	3 Oakleigh Rise CM16 7BL Mr Wendy Adams	**TPO/EPF/12/80/T5** Oak (T5): Crown lift removing epicormic growth. Reduce crown 30% to previous pruning points.
Committee have **NO OBJECTION** to this application providing all work is carried out under the supervision of the EFDC arboricultural officer.		

344 **EFDC PLANNING DECISIONS**

Committee **NOTED** that no planning decisions had been received from Epping Forest District Council for this period.

The Chairman closed the meeting at **20.04 hours**.

Signature of Chairman

Date