

Report of the Chairman on the work of the Planning Committee

The Planning Committee has met on one occasion since the previous report was prepared for the Council meeting. This report therefore gives an overview of the key items considered by the Committee at its meeting on 8 February 2017.

Planning Committee – 8 February 2017

1. The February meeting dealt with four planning applications and one enforcement action. Public speaking took place on four items with seven people taking the opportunity to address the Committee. The items considered by the Committee are set out below.
2. This first application related to the redevelopment of the Brooklands College site at Church Road, Ashford. The application comprised the demolition of the existing buildings and the construction of new buildings to accommodate dwellings, commercial and educational floor space, the provision of public open space and associated car parking, cycle parking, access and related infrastructure and associated works. The application was overturned and refused.
3. The second application concerned the demolition of Churchill Hall, Churchill Way, Sunbury and its replacement with 3 no. two storey terraced dwellings with car parking and amenity space. The application was approved.
4. The third application related to the erection of 12 residential units at 381 - 385 Staines Road West Ashford all with associated parking, amenity space and landscaping, following the demolition of existing buildings. The application was approved.
5. The fourth application concerned the conversion of a loft to form habitable space at Ambleside, Penton Hall Drive, Staines-upon-Thames and was subject to call in by Councillor Edgington. The application was approved.
6. The fifth item related to enforcement action associated with the unauthorised erection of a building for use as a dwelling at the end of the rear garden at 2 Wolsey Road, Ashford. An Enforcement Notice was approved, and required the use of the building as a dwelling to cease and for all kitchen and bathroom facilities to be removed within 3 months.

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Chairman of Planning Committee

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