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MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF WINDLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL'S PLANNING COMMITTEE

**Held on Wednesday 5th March 2025 at 12:30pm at Lightwater Library, Guildford Road,
Lightwater**

Bagshot Cllrs		Lightwater Cllrs		Windlesham Cllrs	
Willgoss	P	Turner	P	Marr	P
White	P	Stevens	P	Richardson	R
Du-Cann	P				

In attendance: Sarah Wakefield- Assistant Clerk
2 members of the public

Cllr Stevens took the Chair

P - present A – apologies PA – part of meeting - no information

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PLAN/24/93	Apologies for absence No apologies for absence.	
PLAN/24/94	Declarations of interest Cllr Stevens declared a non-pecuniary interest in the agenda item, as a family member's husband is employed at Seasons Restaurant. Cllrs Turner and White also declared a non-pecuniary interest, having previously met with neighbours of the development to discuss matter related to the site.	
PLAN/24/95	Public question time <u>Two Windlesham residents made the following comments:</u>	

	<p>The residents raised several concerns regarding the development. They highlighted that planning permission was not sought in 2019 when initially requested by SHBC. They had significant concerns about the development being located in the Green Belt. Traffic issues were also noted, with particular emphasis on the impact of large vehicles/lorries. The residents expressed frustration over planning breaches, stating that the developers have failed to follow through on promised improvements. Additionally, noise, traffic congestion, and odours from food vans have been immediate residents. They also mentioned that the development's proximity to the boundary fence has raised concerns for neighbouring properties, and there have been complaints regarding failure to adhere to opening hours and a general lack of compliance with regulations.</p>	
PLAN/24/96	<p>Exclusion of the press and public</p> <p>No Exclusions to the press and public.</p>	
PLAN/24/97	To consider a planning appeal received prior to this meeting:	

APP/D3640C/ C/24/3353946	<p>Lavershot Barns, London Road, Windlesham, Surrey, GU20 6LL</p> <p>Without planning permission the undertaking of unauthorised building, engineering operations, formation of hardstanding and erection of outbuildings in the appropriate positions as initiated at points A – K on the attached plans 1 & 2.</p> <p>Windlesham Parish Council considered this appeal on 5th March 2025 and has resolved to submit the following comments:</p> <p>The Planning Committee has reviewed the documents relating to the enforcement notice issued by Surrey Heath Borough Council on 11th September 2024 and strongly believes the appeal should be rejected.</p> <p>The site has expanded from a small garden centre into a substantial development that would not have been granted permission had it followed the proper planning process. Allowing this development to remain would undermine the integrity of the planning system and set a dangerous precedent for future cases. Furthermore, all retrospective planning applications for the site have already been denied.</p> <p>Windlesham Parish Council previously objected to three retrospective planning applications for this site, citing the following concerns:</p>	Appeal

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overdevelopment of Green Belt land – The site is located within the Green Belt, which should be preserved and protected from inappropriate development. • Noise and environmental disturbances – The development causes significant disruption to neighbouring properties both during the day and in the evening, negatively impacting residents' quality of life. • Concerns over wastewater system • Traffic and parking issues - The development has led to increased traffic congestion. <p>Given these ongoing concerns and the clear breaches of planning regulations, it is essential that enforcement action is upheld.</p>	
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There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12:49