

Rochford Parish Council's responses as follows:-

(Cllr. Mrs. Glynn left the meeting for this item as she is the Vice Chair of the RDC Development Control Committee. Cllr. Gordon remained in the meeting, but took no part in the discussion

07/00351/FUL - 16 King Henrys Drive

Loft Conversion with front and rear dormers - No objections, subject to neighbour consultation.

07/00429/LBC - 24 South Street

Install new external fire exit door in existing window position and relocate internal store door opening - No objections

07/00422/FUL - 7 The Ridings

Demolish existing garage erect two storey rear extension - Concerns that this development is not in keeping with the street scene.

07/00456/FUL - Land North of Purdeys Ind. Estate

To install 17 poles with 17 angled lights with shields (total height 6.5 metres) at the north end of car racks with illumination towards south. Retention of existing 17 poles with 17 angled lights (total height 6.5 metres, located on the southern end of existing car racks with re-orientation of illumination towards South. These lights are required for health and safety purposes to enable staff to work in safety during winter months when daylight hours are short and for safe operation of security night patrols. - Members had serious concerns regarding this development for the following reasons:-

- Members were very disappointed that the enforcement officers appeared to be weak in enforcing the refusal of the original application.
- Excessive light pollution, which due to the landscape can be seen for many miles.
- Members do not see the need for the lights to be on overnight, which is not seen as being energy efficient.
- The site forms part of the Roach Valley which the District Council has highlighted for protection in its Local Development Framework Core Strategy.
- The site is adjacent to open fields and could have a detrimental effect on the environment for wildlife residing in the area.

07/00482/FUL - Rochford Business Park, Cherry Orchard Way

Detached building, located on 'roundabout, within the Cherry Orchard Business Park to provide office for 24 hours security. - No objections

07/00483/FUL - Land rear of 28-32 Rocheway

Construct single storey pitched roofed building to provide administration and training centre for disability Essex. Construct driveway and parking areas, widen pedestrian and vehicular access

As the Parish Council had received comments from a resident on this application, the Chairman suspended Standing Orders for five minutes to enable members to view letters and photographs provided by the applicant. This would enable members to receive so that they had the opportunity to receive information from all parties concerned.

Members comments on the application were as follows:-

The site is not central for users of the centre, who would have to travel from all parts of Essex and neighbouring counties, with very limited public transport services available, particularly from the North of the County.

· The development is within the Green Belt and could set a precedent.

· The development site falls within the flight path of Southend Airport.

07/00492/FUL - Flemings Farm, Flemings Farm Road, Eastwood
Temporary Stationing of Site Manager's Caravan in connection with use of the site as a touring caravan site for the caravan club. Members commented on how long the "temporary use" would be for, and also whether the permission granted in 2004 had been utilised.

07/00442/FUL - 25 Weir Pond Road
Create Rooms in Roofspace incorporating flat roofed rear dormer and new window to side elevation - No objections.

07/00487/FUL - 96 Oxford Road
Hip to gable roof extension, extend existing front and rear dormers and construct single storey rear extension. - No comments.

07/00491/FUL - Birches, Hall Road
Alterations and extensions to existing house to provide increased living accommodation and indoor swimming pool. Enlarged garage unit adjacent to the boundary with Elm Lodge and New front wall and entrance gates. - No comments

07/00496/FUL - 266 Ashingdon Road
Convert existing dwelling to provide one bedroomed flat at ground floor and three bedroomed maisonette. - Concerns - Highways implications, overdevelopment and the detrimental effect on the neighbour amenity. Subsequent to the Parish Meeting, the Clerk has been informed that this is a retrospective application, although the application letter does not state this, and in fact the one-bedroomed flat was advertised in the press in January 2007, with immediate availability.

07/00520/ADV - Car Dealership C Cherry Orchard Way
Corporate Signage to Nissan Car Dealership - No objections

07/00525/FUL - Site G7 Purdeys Ind. Estate
Extension to Self Storage Site (Use of the site for the storage of steels containers to be used for self-storage) stacked no higher than 5.2m (two containers high) - No comments

Thanks
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