

5.2 Decision notices, appeals notices, enforcement notices and planning correspondence

5.2.1 17/01966/EXTDET – 26 Old Pound Close – Proposed single storey rear extension (extends beyond the rear wall by 5.275m, max height 2.98m, height to eaves 2.4m) – Permission granted.

5.3 Tree Works applications

5.3.1 17/02075/TRCA – 10 Church Street

Reports from the parish council tree wardens supported this application.

RESOLVED to recommend approval. (Prop RW & JB, unanimous)

6. HDC Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment October 2017 consultation

Cllr Waters summarised the reasons for the HDC ‘Call for Sites’ and showed the location of all of the sites that have been suggested in 2016 and 2017. It was agreed that HGPC should comment that most of the sites put forward in the ‘Small Settlement’ of Hemingford Grey parish are in contradiction of LP7, and that all are substantially within Flood Zone 3a and must therefore be subject to the ‘Sequential’ and ‘Exception’ tests before development. HGPC agreed that all references to bus services are outdated since September when all bus services were withdrawn from the main village of Hemingford Grey except for a single service to St Ives and back on Monday and Friday. It is also noted that sewerage from all of the sites suggested have to be pumped through the village and that Anglian Water are regularly having to clear the sewers and/or 5 pumping stations in the village. Although the village does have a school (full despite recent expansion), a shop, a pub and meeting rooms, these are ALL constrained by lack of parking resulting in daily congestion around the school and the centre of the village as well as serious traffic issues around the pavilion when any substantial sporting or other events take place. There is no doctor’s surgery within the parish. It was agreed to add these general comments to the specific comments on individual site below which were RESOLVED as follows:

Site Reference	Proposed HGPC response / observation	
Former car showroom (enlarged) London Rd,	HGPC agree with HDC suitability assessment. This site is adjacent to HG parish with the boundary down London Road. The suggested development would be beneficial on this brownfield site.	(Prop RA & KD, unanimous)
London Road, north of Armes Corner, Hemingford Grey (168)	HGPC agree with HDC suitability assessment. Site is within flood zone 3A and the St Ives Conservation Area with particular reference to views to and from Hemingford Meadow. This is a well preserved example of ridge and furrow.	(Prop RW & JB, unanimous)
West of Cullum Farm and Yes! Estate, St Ives (028)	HGPC do not agree with HDC assessment. There is no viable access to this site. The YES estate has unsuitable and un-adopted roads.	(Prop RA & DC, unanimous)
Opposite Pembroke Close, Hemingford Rd (169)	Although this site is within flood zone 3A and the Hemingfords’ Conservation Area HGPC believes it is more suitable for small scale development than others suggested within the parish.	(Prop RA & RE, 5 for, 1 against, 1 abs)
South of Hemingford Road to East of Sadlers Way (170)	Agreed as unsuitable for development for the reasons in the assessment.	(Prop JB & RA, 5 for, 1 against, 1 abs)
South of St Ives Road, East of Old Pound Close (121)	HGPC agrees that this site might be suitable for development provided that it could include a significant proportion of social housing with priority for local households. It is well placed for school and recreation area.	(Prop AM & KD, 5 for, 2 abs)
East of Long Lane, South of Marsh Lane (103)	HGPC agree with HDC suitability assessment for the reasons given.	(Prop RA & JB, 6 for 1 against)

West of Gore Tree Road, South of Haley Close (176)	HGPC do not agree with HDC. This green field site borders an important ditch that is vital for the drainage of both Hemingford villages. It would be a significant intrusion into open countryside.	(Prop RW & JB, 5 for, 1 against, 1 abs)
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7. Chairman's report on other matters for information only^(RW)

Cllr Waters reported that there was no further information concerning the Mick George application for the Hemingford Abbots Golf Course or concerning the reopening of the Marsh Lane gravel pits. A task group considering the creation of a Neighbourhood Plan was to meet immediately following this meeting.

8. Closure of meeting

APPROVED