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**NOTICE OF MEETING - PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE 27 MARCH 2024**

A meeting of the Planning Applications Committee will be held on Wednesday, 27 March 2024 at 6.30 pm in the Reception Area, Civic Offices, Bridge Street, Reading RG1 2LU. The Agenda for the meeting is set out below.

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**PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED**

7. 240063/REG3 - THE HEXAGON, QUEENS WALK	Decision	ABBEY	29 - 50
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**Proposal** Demolition of some of the existing back of house areas and erection of an extension of the existing Hexagon Theatre to provide a new studio auditorium, flexible rehearsal space, community studio with workshop space and back of house space, along with improved public realm by providing a new podium connection between the new proposed extension and Queens Walk, along with other associated works.

**Recommendation** Application Permitted

8. 231673/VAR - 55 VASTERN ROAD Decision THAMES 51 - 178

**Proposal** Application under Section 73 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended) to vary conditions 2 (approved drawings), 24 (unit mix), 33 (roof terrace enclosures), 35 (parking provision) and 47 (Block B glazing and ventilation) of permission 200188 (allowed on appeal under APP/E0345/W/21/3276463 on 17/03/2022 for Demolition of existing structures and erection of a series of buildings ranging in height from 1 to 11 storeys, including residential dwellings (C3 use class) and retail floorspace (A3 use class), together with a new north-south pedestrian link, connecting Christchurch Bridge to Vastern Road), including an increase from 4 to 5 storeys of the western wing of Block B, amendments to the top two floors of Blocks D & E, changes to the unit mix and various other associated alterations (amended description).

**Recommendation** Application Permitted

9. 231607/FUL - 40 BENNET ROAD Decision WHITLEY 179 - 188

**Proposal** Application for change of use from B1/B2, to sui generis car servicing and MOT garage and/or B1/B2, with two proposed extensions on the Northern frontage and associated alterations.

**Recommendation** Application Permitted

10. 240226/FUL - WHITLEY WOOD Decision WHITLEY 189 - 194  
MODULAR BUILDING, 29-35  
LEXINGTON GROVE

**Proposal** Erection of Temporary Modular Community Centre for a period of three years.

**Recommendation** Application Permitted

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