

Planning Committee Minutes

Date: 9 April 2014

Time: 7.00 - 7.32 pm

PRESENT: Councillor A E Hill (in the Chair)

Councillors C A Ditta, S Graham, N B Marshall, I L McEnnis, R Metcalfe, B R Pollock JP, Mrs J E Teesdale, A Turner and P R Turner.

Standing Deputies present: Councillors Z Ahmed and Mrs M L Neudecker.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Mrs J A Adey, C B Harriss, A Hussain, D A Johncock, H L McCarthy and Mrs D V E Morgan.

LOCAL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor J Savage

Councillor A Collingwood

APPLICATION

13/07293/FUL

13/08067/FUL

122 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 19 March 2014 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

123 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

124 13/07293/FUL - LAND OPPOSITE 14 OLD KILN ROAD AND LAND REAR OF 68 AND 70A SEDGMOOR ROAD, FLACKWELL HEATH, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

A motion to refuse the application, contrary to the officer's recommendation was proposed and seconded for the following reasons –

- In the opinion of the Local Planning Authority, the proposed development was unacceptable because it would result in the loss of a large attractive Beech tree (T11) that was considered to have a significant positive impact upon the area. The proposed removal of this tree was considered inappropriate and would be seriously detrimental to the character and appearance of the area.
- The development included garages which were proposed to be within the Root Protection Areas of a large attractive Sycamore (T2) and Lime (T10) trees, wherein the development would have a negative impact on these trees and would increase the future pressure for them to have otherwise unnecessary pruning, thus further eroding the character and appearance of the area.

- The proposed replacement planting was considered insufficient to compensate for the loss of trees and consequently, the proposal conflicted with Policies G10 and G11 of the Adopted Local Plan also CS17 and CS19 of the Core Strategy Development Planning Document.

The motion was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED: that the application be refused for the reasons stated above.

The committee was addressed by Councillor Savage as the local Ward Councillor.

125 13/08067/FUL - PAVILION CAFE, HIGGINSON PARK, POUND LANE, MARLOW, BUCKINGHAMSHIRE

The officer's recommendation was put to a vote. Members voted unanimously in favour of the motion to approve the item in accordance with the officer's recommendation.

RESOLVED: that conditional planning permission be granted in accordance with officer's recommendation.

The committee was addressed by Councillor Collingwood as the local Ward Councillor.

126 PRE-PLANNING COMMITTEE TRAINING / INFORMATION SESSION

Members noted that the pre-committee information / training session scheduled for Wednesday 7 May would be a presentation from the Chairman of the 'Revive the Wye' project.

127 APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS FOR SITE VISITS

RESOLVED: That in the event that it was necessary to arrange site visits on Tuesday 6 May 2014 in respect of the agenda for the meeting on Wednesday 7 May 2014, the following Members be invited to attend with the relevant local Members:

Councillors: C A Ditta, S Graham, A E Hill, N B Marshall, A Turner and P R Turner.

128 FILE ON ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

The file on actions taken under delegated authority since the previous meeting was circulated for the Committee's attention.

Chairman

The following officers were in attendance at the meeting:

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| Ms G Hastings | - Technical Officer |
| Mrs L Hornby | - Senior Democratic Services Officer |
| Mr R Martin | - Development Management Team Leader |
| Mr A Nicholson | - Development Manager |
| Mrs S Siddiq | - Principal Planning Solicitor |
| Mr P Simpkin | - Tree Officer |