

West Buckinghamshire Area Planning Committee minutes

Minutes of the meeting of the West Buckinghamshire Area Planning Committee held on Wednesday 12 April 2023 in High Wycombe Council Chamber, Queen Victoria Road, High Wycombe, HP11 1BB, commencing at 7.00 pm and concluding at 9.53 pm.

Members present

D Johncock, N Marshall, C Oliver, S Raja, M Turner, P Turner, A Wheelhouse and K Wood

Others in attendance

K Asif, R Ghattoura, L Hornby, C Power, H Smith and R White

Apologies

A Alam, M Ayub, I Hussain, N Rana and S Wilson

Agenda Item

1 Declarations of Interest

Councillor P Turner: Planning Application 22/06088/FUL – declared a non-pecuniary interest in the application and that he would vacate the Chamber for the duration of the debate and voting on the item.

2 Minutes of the Last Meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15 March 2023 were agreed as an accurate record.

3 21/07006/REM - Slate Meadow, Stratford Drive, Wooburn Green, Buckinghamshire

Reserved matters application for approval of access, appearance, landscaping, layout, scale and associated works including proposed Village Green scheme pursuant to outline planning permission 18/05597/OUT.

Members noted the Update.

After a very full debate a motion was proposed and seconded to refuse the application for the following reasons:

In the opinion of the Local Planning Authority the siting, number, scale, massing, and height of the taller buildings within the proposal would have an unacceptable detrimental impact upon the views and vistas from and towards the site, with particular regard to views though/across the development area to the valley side to the north, and the visual connection between the river and valley sides. This is contrary to Wycombe District Local Plan Policies BE1.4, DM32.1, DM32.2, CP9, and Objectives 10 and 11 of the Adopted Slate Meadow Development Brief.

However, this motion was defeated when Members voted.

Following further debate, Members voted in favour of the motion to delegate authority to the Director of Planning & Development to grant permission subject to first receiving amended plans showing a 200mm reduction in height to the 2.5 story apartment blocks, and subject to the conditions set out in the report and the additional condition in relation to flint work in the written update report.

Speaking as Ward Members: Councillors S Kayani and S Wilson

Ward Member, Councillor P Drayton, submitted a written statement which was read out by the Democratic Services Officer in her absence.

Speaking on behalf of Wooburn & Bourne End Parish Council: Cllr J Mortimer

Speaking in objection: Ms C Kay and Ms V Hedges Speaking on behalf of the applicant: Mr J Black

It was proposed by Councillor N Marshall and seconded by Councillor C Oliver

Resolved: that the application be delegated to the Director of Planning & Development for the reasons given above.

4 22/06088/FUL - Garage Site, Deanfield Close, Marlow, Buckinghamshire

Erection of a 1 x 4-bed dwellinghouse, detached double garage and ancillary works following demolition of garaging.

This application was the subject of a site visit.

Members noted the Update.

Members voted in favour of the motion to approve the application subject to the removal of Parts A and E of permitted development rights .

Speaking on behalf of the Applicant: Mr R Bullock

It was proposed by Councillor N Marshall and seconded by Councillor D Johncock

Resolved: that the application be approved.

Councillor P Turner, having declared an interest in the application, vacated the Chamber for the duration of the debate and voting on the application.

5 WITHDRAWN. 22/08240/FUL - Car Park East of A404, Globe Business Park, Fieldhouse Lane, Marlow, Buckinghamshire

This application was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

6 Date and Time of Next Meeting

Wednesday 10 May 2023 at 7.00pm.

Note: this meeting will be held at Amersham Council Chamber, King George V House, King George V Road, Amersham, HP6 5AW.

7 Availability of Members Attending Site Visits (if required)

Resolved: that in the event it was necessary to arrange site visits on Tuesday 9 May 2023 in respect of the agenda for the meeting to be held on Wednesday 10 May 2023, the following members be invited to attend:

Councillors: D Johncock, N Marshall, C Oliver and P Turner.

