

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

12 SEPTEMBER 2006 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: MR R J FURNISS - CHAIRMAN
MR D E HINTON - VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mrs M Aldridge, Mr D R Bown, Mr J C Bown, Mrs R Camamile, Mrs M A Cook, Mr W J Crooks, Mr N B L Davis, Mr B H Edwards, Mr R D Ellis, Mrs D Finney, Mr M A Hall, Mr C G Joyce, Ms J E Price, Mrs E A Spencer and Mr J E Stanley.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.4 Mr D C Bill, Mrs C M Claridge and Mrs R W Wright also attended the meeting.

Officers in attendance: Mr B Cullen, Mrs T Darke, Mr A Ghafoor, Miss E MacDonald, Miss R Owen and Mr S Payne.

222 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Mr C W Boothby and Mr K Vessey and the following substitutions were authorised in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.3:

Mr N B L Davis for Mr Boothby
Mr J C Bown for Mr Vessey.

223 MINUTES (P25)

On the motion of Mr D Bown, seconded by Mr Hinton it was

RESOLVED – subject to the above amendment, the minutes of the meeting held on 15 August 2006 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

224 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mrs Camamile declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Application 06/00497/REM, as Chairman of the Bosworth Orbit Housing Association. Mr D R Bown stated that with regard to the aforementioned Application, he was also a member of the Orbit Housing Association, but as the Association and its members had not been consulted on the Application he did not feel it necessary to declare an interest.

Mr Stanley declared a personal and prejudicial interest in report P30 as Vice-President of an organisation listed in the report.

225 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 - APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED (P26)

The Committee considered a schedule of planning applications, together with a list of late items, and the recommendations of the Head of Culture and Development.

It was moved by Mr Ellis and seconded by Mr D R Bown that the recommendations of the Head of Culture and Development contained in the schedule submitted be approved.

Having declared a prejudicial interest in the following application, Ms Price left the meeting at 6.35pm.

- (a) 06/00313/FUL – C J Marketing, Hawley Road, Hinckley – C J Marketing Ltd

Members were informed that this Application had been withdrawn from the agenda.

- (b) 06/00397/COU – Linton Farm, Merrylees Road, Thornton – Mr and Mrs N Pickup

Members were informed that this Application had been withdrawn from the agenda.

Having declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the following application, Mrs Camamile left the meeting at 6.36pm.

- (c) 06/00497/REM – 41-47 High Street, Earl Shilton – Orbit Housing Association (Coventry)

Although in support of the officers' recommendation, a Member expressed concern over whether the wall by the flats would be retained. Officers agreed to look at the plans and if necessary deal with this as part of the condition relating to boundary treatment.

Mrs Camamile returned to the meeting at 6.42pm.

- (d) 06/00557/COU – Land South of 26-28 Britannia Road, Burbage – John M Knapp Builders

Mrs Aldridge, seconded by Mr Davis, moved that the application be refused for further investigation.

Messrs D Bown, Furniss and Hinton requested that voting be recorded.

Mrs Aldridge, Mr Davis, Mr Edwards, Mrs Finney, Ms Price and Mrs Spencer voted for the motion.

Mr Furniss, Mr Hinton, Mr D Bown, Mr J Bown Mrs Camamile, Mrs Cook, Mr Crooks, Mr Ellis, Mr Hall, Mr Joyce and Mr Stanley voted against the motion.

The motion was therefore declared LOST.

RESOLVED – the recommendation contained within the late items be agreed.

- (e) 06/00794/FUL – Bund to the South of Waterside Park, Off Coventry Road, Hinckley

Mr Crooks, seconded by Mr Joyce, moved that the application be approved. Upon being put to the vote, the motion was LOST.

Members asked that officers negotiate an alternative route along the bottom of the bund near the A5.

RESOLVED – the application be refused for the reasons stated in the report and officers negotiate an alternative route for the footpath.

Mrs Claridge left the meeting at 7.55pm.

- (f) 06/00853/FUL – The Rectory, 57 Main Street, Newbold Verdon – EDS Building Developments Ltd

Although in support of the officer's recommendation, Members felt that conditions should be included regarding protective measures to trees and protecting ecological issues.

RESOLVED – Approved, subject to the conditions contained within the report and the abovementioned additional conditions.

- (g) 06/00854/OUT – 109 Teign Bank Road, Hinckley – Mr and Mrs S Bennett

Although in support of the officer's recommendation, Members expressed concern that the applicant's agent had stated that pre-application advice received in 2004 had positively encouraged the submission of the application. However, officers confirmed that this had been informal advice which was given without prejudice to any formal decision.

RESOLVED – Refused for the reasons contained within the report.

- (h) 06/00857/COU – Meadow Fields, Stoke Road, Hinckley – John Mayne

Members were informed that this Application had been withdrawn from the agenda.

226 VALIDATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS (P27)

Members received a report which commented on the above consultation. It was moved by Mr Furniss, seconded by Mr Hinton and

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

227 APPEALS LODGED AND DETERMINED (P28)

A summary was submitted of appeals lodged and determined since the last meeting. On the motion of Mr D R Bown, seconded by Mr Crooks, it was

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

228 APPEALS – PROGRESS (P29)

A schedule was submitted indicating the stages that various appeals against planning decisions had reached. On the motion of Mr Ellis, seconded by Mr Crooks, it was

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

229 MATTERS FROM WHICH THE PUBLIC MAY BE EXCLUDED

On the motion of Mr Ellis, seconded by Mr Furniss, it was

RESOLVED - in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the undermentioned item of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 2 and 10 of Part I of Schedule 12A of that Act.

Mr Stanley left the meeting at 8.35pm.

230 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT ACTION (P30)

Members were provided with a periodic report on planning enforcement actions taken. On the motion of Mr Ellis, seconded by Mr Furniss, it was

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

(The meeting closed at 8.42pm.)