

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE
23 OCTOBER 2007 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: MR. R. MAYNE - VICE-CHAIRMAN (in the Chair)

Mrs. M. Aldridge, Mr. J.G. Bannister, Mr. J.C. Bown, Mr. M.B. Cartwright, Mr. D.M. Gould, Mr. D.W. Inman, Mr. C.G. Joyce, Mr. T. McClure, Mr. K. Morrell, Mr. K. Nichols, Mr. L.J.P. O'Shea and Mrs. J. Richards.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.4 Mr. P.R. Batty also attended the meeting.

Officers in attendance: Ms. K. Barlow, Mr. A. Bottomley, Mr. P. Cash, Ms. J. Cooper, Mrs. T. Darke, Ms. T. Miller, Mr. S. Payne and Mrs. P.I. Pitt.

265 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

It was moved by Mr. Joyce, seconded by Mr. Nichols and

RESOLVED – Mr. Bannister be appointed Vice-Chairman for this meeting only.

266 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Mr. J.D. Cort, Mr. W.J. Crooks, Mrs. A and Mr. P.A.S. Hall and Mr. B.E. Sutton – the latter being substituted by Mr. Morrell in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.3.

267 MINUTES (P35)

On the motion of Mr. Cartwright, seconded by Mr. Nichols it was

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 25 September 2007 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

268 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Mr. Bown declared a prejudicial interest in planning application number 07/00673/REM on the grounds that he belonged to an organisation which could benefit financially from the sale of the land in question.

269 SAVED LOCAL PLAN POLICIES (P38)

The Committee considered a report of the Deputy Chief Executive on the Secretary of State's Direction in relation to the above. A brief discussion arose with regard to Members' involvement in the Local Development Framework process, whereby Members were urged to either attend meetings in person or to submit any comments to officers in writing.

It was moved by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. O'Shea and

RESOLVED – the following be noted:

- (i) the table of Local Plan Policies (Appendix 1 to the report of the Deputy Chief Executive) that had been saved until replaced by new policies in the Local Development Framework in accordance with the Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004; and
- (ii) the table of Local Plan Policies that have now expired, (Appendix 2) and as of 27 September 2007 are no longer part of the Hinckley and Bosworth Local Plan, in line with paragraph 1(2a) Schedule 8 of the 2004 Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act.

270 LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK PLAY AND OPEN SPACE SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD) – CONSULTATION (P42)

Updated information was presented to Members at the meeting regarding the proposed period of consultation.

Having been advised of the need to consult upon this SPD and the Sustainability Appraisal in accordance with the Town and Country Planning Regulations (Local Development) (England) 2004 and the Local Development Scheme it was moved by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mrs. Aldridge and

RESOLVED –

- (i) this SPD be endorsed and its publication for consultation purposes be agreed; and
- (ii) the undertaking of a revised six-week period of consultation on the Play and Open Space SPD and Sustainability Appraisal from 31 October until 12 December 2007 inclusive be approved.

271 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 - APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED (P36)

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 Mrs. Aldridge, and seconded by Mr. O'Shea that the recommendations of the Head of Culture and Development contained in the schedule submitted be approved.

Mr. Bown, having declared a prejudicial interest in planning application number 07/00673/REM, left the meeting at 6.50 p.m. whilst this was considered, returning at 6.55 p.m.

RESOLVED – the recommendations of the Head of Culture and Development, as set out in the schedule submitted and amended by the list of late items be approved.

272 SUGGESTED CONDITIONS FOR NAILSTONE COLLIERY PLANNING APPLICATION (P37)

Further to minute number 37(a) of 5 December 2006 Members' approval was sought to proposed conditions to be submitted to the Planning Inquiry should the Planning Inspector approve this application.

On the motion of Mr. O'Shea, seconded by Mrs. Aldridge it was

RESOLVED – the conditions set out in the report of the Head of Culture and Development be approved.

273 APPEALS LODGED AND DETERMINED (P39)

The Committee having been presented with details of these it was moved by Mr. O'Shea, seconded by Mrs Aldridge and

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

274 APPEALS – PROGRESS (P40)

A schedule having been submitted indicating the stages that various appeals against planning decisions had reached it was moved by Mrs. Aldridge, seconded by Mr. Bannister and

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

275 MATTER FROM WHICH THE PUBLIC MAY BE EXCLUDED

It was moved by Mr. Nichols, seconded by Mr. Inman and

RESOLVED – in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the remaining item of business on the ground 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.

276 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT ACTION (P41)

Circulated at the meeting was an amended version of current investigations for the period 1 August – 30 September 2007. Information was provided by Members at the meeting relating to certain properties in Earl Shilton and land ownership and the Head of Culture and Development undertook to address this, following which it was moved by Mrs. Aldridge, seconded by Mr. O'Shea and

RESOLVED – the report of the Head of Culture and Development be noted.

(The meeting closed at 7.50 p.m.)