

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

23 SEPTEMBER 2008 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: MR R MAYNE - CHAIRMAN  
MR DW INMAN - VICE-CHAIRMAN

Mrs M Aldridge, Mr JG Bannister, Mr CW Boothby, Mr JC Bown, Mr MB Cartwright, Mr WJ Crooks, Mrs A Hall, Mr P Hall, Dr JR Moore, Mr K Morrell, Mr K Nichols, Mr BE Sutton and Mrs BM Witherford.

Officers in attendance: Mrs T Darke, Mr J Hicks, Miss R Owen, Mr TM Prowse and Mr M Rice.

191 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Mr JD Cort, Mr CG Joyce and Mr LJP O'Shea and the substitution of Mr Cartwright for Mr Cort authorised in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.3.

Mr Bill arrived at 6.31pm.

192 MINUTES (P23)

On the motion of Mrs Camamile, seconded by Mr Crooks, it was

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 26 August 2008 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

It was agreed that decisions that had been delegated to officers would be reported to the Committee at the following meeting, and that this be added as an item on future agendas. To this end it was noted that a decision had now been issued with regard to application 08/00374/FUL which had been delegated to officers at the previous meeting.

193 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Ms Moore arrived at 6.34pm.

Messrs Crooks and P Hall declared personal and prejudicial interests in application 08/00657/FUL as the owner of the building under discussion was a close associate.

Mrs A Hall, Mr Inman, Mr Mayne, Mr Nichols and Mrs Witherford declared personal interests in application 08/00657/FUL.

Mr Bannister declared a personal and prejudicial interest in application 08/00692/FUL as the application site was near to his property.

194 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 - APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED (P24)

The Committee considered a schedule of planning applications, together with a list of late items, and the recommendations of the Director of Community and Planning Services.

Having declared a prejudicial interest in the following application, Messrs Crooks and P Hall left the meeting at 6.40pm.

- (a) 08/00657/FUL – Change of use from A1 retail to A5 hot food takeaway, 7 Lawnwood Road, Groby – Perfect Pizza

It was moved by Mr Bown, seconded by Mr Sutton and

RESOLVED – the application be refused for the reasons stated in the officer's report.

Messrs Hall and Crooks returned to the meeting at 6.50pm. Dr Moore arrived at 6.50pm.

Having declared a prejudicial interest in the following application, Mr Bannister left the meeting at 6.50pm.

- (b) 08/00692/FUL – Demolition of commercial units and erection of 7 one bedroom apartments with parking and amenity space, Land rear of 10 Ashby Road, Hinckley – Mr Goode

Members expressed concern that the distances between the proposed and existing properties were not clear and the plans provided were out of date. Members felt they could not make a decision without visiting the site. Members were also concerned that comments had not been received from Severn Trent Water and with regard to contamination of land, and also concern was expressed for the two houses at the entrance to the site and possible disturbance for those residents. It was explained that there was no obligation on the applicant to provide up to date area plans.

It was moved by Mr Crooks, seconded by Mrs Aldridge and

RESOLVED – the application be deferred for a site visit and to await clarification with regard to distances, request updated plans, and await information from Severn Trent Water and environmental health.

Mr Bannister returned to the meeting at 7.27pm.

- (c) 08/00717/REM – Erection of 76 dwellings including diversion of public footpath, Land adjacent to Outlands Drive, Hinckley – Jelson Limited

Members expressed concern with regard to maintaining the boundary hedges. It was requested that confirmation be sought with regard to whose responsibility this would be. It was moved by Mr Crooks, seconded by Mrs Aldridge and

RESOLVED –

- (i) the application be approved subject to the conditions outlined in the officer's report;
  - (ii) the making of a public path diversion order to divert the footpath as indicated in the report be authorised;
  - (iii) confirmation be requested with regard to maintenance of the boundary hedge.
- (d) 08/00750/FUL – Erection of golf club house, new access and associated parking and manager's flat, Land adjacent to Godsons Hill Farm, Station Road, Market Bosworth – Selter Associates

Members suggested that the Golf Club be requested to consider initiatives to encourage young people to play golf.

It was moved by Mr Bown, seconded by Mrs Aldridge and

RESOLVED – the application be permitted subject to the conditions contained within the officer's report and officers be requested to discuss initiatives to include young people in the golf club.

- (e) 08/00808/ADV – Change of use from residential dwelling C3 to dental practice D1, 71 Hinckley Road, Burbage – Rodericks Ltd

It was reported that this application had been withdrawn.

195 APPEALS LODGED AND DETERMINED (P25)

A summary was submitted of appeals lodged and determined since the last meeting. It was moved by Mr Nichols, seconded by Mr Crooks and

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

196 APPEALS – PROGRESS (P26)

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

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

197 MATTERS FROM WHICH THE PUBLIC MAY BE EXCLUDED

On the motion of Mr Crooks, seconded by Mr Nichols, 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.

198 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT ACTION (P27)

Mr Bown left the meeting at 7.46pm and returned at 7.50pm.

Members were provided with a periodic report on planning enforcement actions taken. Members commended officers for the action taken in respect of certain sites under the provisions of Section 215 of the Town and Country Planning Act It was moved by Mr Crooks, seconded by Mr Nichols and

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

(The meeting closed at 7.56pm)