

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE
2 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Cllr MJ Crooks - Chairman
Cllr DJ Findlay – Vice-Chairman
Cllr CM Allen, Cllr RG Allen, Cllr SL Bray, Cllr DS Cope, Cllr WJ Crooks,
Cllr REH Flemming, Cllr A Furlong, Cllr SM Gibbens, Cllr E Hollick,
Cllr KWP Lynch, Cllr LJ Mullaney, Cllr RB Roberts, Cllr H Smith and
Cllr BR Walker

Also in attendance: Councillor DC Bill MBE, Councillor MC Sheppard-Bools,
Councillor R Webber-Jones and Councillor HG Williams

Officers in attendance: Matthew Bowers, Julie Kenny, Helen Knott, Rebecca Owen, Michael Rice, Nicola Smith and Grace Stevens

628 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Boothby.

629 MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Findlay, seconded by Councillor Furlong and

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 12 January be confirmed as a correct record.

630 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor R Allen declared that a member of his political group was a director of the company submitting application 20/00919/OUT and stated that members of the group would not take part in discussion or voting on the item. Councillor Williams, in attendance as ward councillor, stated that he would speak on behalf of residents on the application.

Councillors Flemming, Lynch and Walker declared that they were members of Burbage Parish Council where application 20/01111/REM had been discussed but they had not voted on the application and came to this meeting with an open mind.

631 DECISIONS DELEGATED AT PREVIOUS MEETING

It was reported that the decision in relation to application 20/00400/FUL had been issued and application 20/00937/FUL had been deferred at the previous meeting and was on the agenda for this meeting.

632 20/01111/REM - LAND AT REAR OF 125 - 131 LUTTERWORTH ROAD, BURBAGE

Application for approval of reserved matters (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) of outline planning permission 19/01112/OUT for six dwellings.

It was moved by Councillor Gibbens and seconded by Councillor R Allen that permission be granted with an amendment to condition 4 to restrict gates along the entire length of the vehicular access

RESOLVED –

- (i) permission be granted subject to the conditions contained in the officers report and the abovementioned amended condition;
- (ii) the Planning Manager be granted delegated authority to determine the final detail of planning conditions in consultation with the ward councillors.

633 20/00919/OUT - 14 CHESTERFIELD WAY, BARWELL, LE9 8BH

Application for residential development for five dwellings (outline – access and scale).

Notwithstanding the officer's recommendation that permission be granted, it was moved by Councillor W Crooks and seconded by Councillor Bray that permission be refused due to having an adverse impact on neighbours due to the proximity of the new properties to the existing properties on Chesterfield Way, being detrimental to the character of the area and constituting over development contrary to policy DM10. Upon being put to the vote, the motion was CARRIED and it was

RESOLVED – permission be refused for the abovementioned reasons.

634 20/00937/FUL - LAND EAST OF PECKLETON LANE, DESFORD

Application for erection of five dwellings.

It was moved by Councillor R Allen and seconded by Councillor Findlay that permission be granted in accordance with the officer's recommendation. Upon being put to the vote, the motion was LOST.

It was subsequently moved by Councillor Bray and seconded by Councillor Furlong that permission be refused for the following reason:

"The reduction of the open landscaped area, which was previously approved, brings built development closer to the settlement edge which reduces the role the landscaped area played in setting built form away from the boundary with the countryside and providing a transition from open countryside to the residential development. This openness was important to the design of the previously approved scheme which retained the public footpath through the landscaped area. Whilst the footpath remains, the public will no longer enjoy an open landscaped setting which is considered poor design and will be detrimental to the visual amenities of the area. It is therefore contrary to DM10 part e of the Site Allocations and Development Management Policies DPD 2016."

Upon being put to the vote, the motion was CARRIED and it was

RESOLVED – permission be refused for the abovementioned reasons.

635 20/01187/CONDIT AMBION COURT, SOUTHFIELD WAY, MARKET BOSWORTH, NUNEATON, CV13 0PP

Application for variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission 10/00625/DEEM to allow alterations to the elevations and external finishes, and vary conditions 3, 5, 9, 10, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18 and 20 to reflect a two phased development.

It was moved by Councillor W Crooks, seconded by Councillor Bray and

RESOLVED –

- (i) Permission be granted subject to the conditions contained in the officer's report;
- (ii) Authority be delegated to the Planning Manager to determine the final detail of planning conditions.

636 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

Members received an update on active and closed enforcement cases within the borough. It was moved by Councillor Findlay, seconded by Councillor R Allen and

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

637 APPEALS PROGRESS

Members received an update on the progress of various appeals.

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

638 APPEALS UPDATE - LAND OFF SKETCHLEY LANE, BURBAGE (19/00947/OUT)

Consideration was given to a report which informed members of amended plans which had been submitted to the Planning Inspector during the course of the appeal in relation to application 19/00947/OUT. Concern was expressed that the Inspector had instructed the authority to consider the amendment without being able to go through the process of public consultation and a full committee debate. It was moved by Councillor Findlay and seconded by Councillor W Crooks that the amendments to alter the size and approximate location of the buildings and the additional benefits would not alter their original consideration of the planning balance in the application.

Councillor Findlay, supported by a further five councillors, requested that voting on the motion be recorded. The vote was taken as follows:

Councillors C Allen, R Allen, Bray, Cope, J Crooks, W Crooks, Findlay, Flemming, Furlong, Gibbens, Hollick, Lynch, Mullaney, Roberts and Walker voted FOR the motion (15).

There were no votes against the motion. Councillor Smith was absent during the vote.

It was therefore

RESOLVED – following consideration of the amendments in terms of the illustrative masterplan and the changes to the affordable housing provision and the inclusion of self-build and reviewing all issues associated with the application, members remain unconvinced by the changes and the scheme itself and their original three reasons for refusal still stand.

(The Meeting closed at 8.45 pm)

CHAIRMAN