# HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

# PLANNING COMMITTEE

## 15 FEBRUARY 2022 AT 6.30 PM

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

Also in attendance: Councillor DC Bill MBE

Officers in attendance: Matthew Bowers, Chris Brown, Rebecca Owen and Michael Rice

### 328. Apologies and substitutions

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Boothby and Cope, with the substitution of Councillor Cartwright for Councillor Cope authorised in accordance with council procedure rule 10.

#### 329. Minutes

It was moved by Councillor Findlay, seconded by Councillor R Allen and

<u>RESOLVED</u> – the minutes of the meeting held on 18 January be confirmed and signed by the chairman.

#### 330. Declarations of interest

Councillor Furlong declared he had been involved in discussions on application 21/00787/OUT but stated that he came to the meeting with an open mind.

#### 331. Decisions delegated at previous meeting

It was reported that the decision on application 21/00699/FUL which had been delegated at the previous meeting had now been issued. Application 21/01147/OUT was awaiting completion of a S106 agreement.

## 332. 21/00787/OUT - Land North East of Ashby Road, Markfield

Application for residential development of up to 93 dwellings, public open space, landscaping and SuDS (outline – access only) (cross boundary application with Charnwood Borough Council).

Attention was drawn to the amended recommendation in the late items.

An objector and a parish council representative spoke on this application.

It was moved by Councillor Furlong, seconded by Councillor Bray and unanimously

<u>RESOLVED</u> – permission be refused for the following reason:

The development, due to its location in the open countryside, would be harmful to the character and appearance of the area and have an urbanising impact on the site. The proposal would have a significant adverse effect upon the intrinsic character and the beauty of the countryside. The proposal would therefore be contrary to policy DM4 of the Site Allocations and Development Management Development Plan Policies (2016), policy M1 of the Markfield Neighbourhood Plan (2021) and this harm would significantly outweigh the benefits when considered against the framework as a whole.

### 333. Appeals progress

Members received an update in relation to appeals. It was moved by Councillor W Crooks, seconded by Councillor R Allen and

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

(The Meeting closed at 7.01 pm)

CHAIRMAN