

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

22 JULY 2014 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Mr R Mayne – Chairman

Mr RG Allen, Mr JG Bannister, Mr PR Batty (for Mr LJP O'Shea), Mr CW Boothby, Mr DS Cope, Mrs WA Hall, Mrs L Hodgkins, Mr MS Hulbert, Mr DW Inman (for Mr JS Moore), Mr KWP Lynch, Mr K Morrell, Mrs H Smith, Mr BE Sutton, Miss DM Taylor, Mr R Ward and Ms BM Witherford

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.2 Councillor Mr MB Cartwright was also in attendance.

Officers in attendance: Simon Atha, Edd Costerton, Eleanor Overton, Rebecca Owen, Pete Reid and Andrew Thompson

100 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THE MEETING

In the absence of the Vice-Chairman, it was moved by Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Hulbert and

RESOLVED – Councillor Witherford take the seat of the Vice-Chairman for this meeting only.

101 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Moore and O'Shea, with the following substitutions authorised in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4:

Councillor Inman for Councillor Moore
Councillor Batty for Councillor O'Shea.

102 MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Hulbert, seconded by Councillor Hodgkins and

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 24 June 2014 be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

103 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared at this stage.

104 DECISIONS DELEGATED AT PREVIOUS MEETING

The Development Control Manager reported that all decisions delegated at the previous meeting had now been issued or were due to be issued shortly.

105 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 - APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED

A schedule of planning applications along with late items was presented to the Committee and decisions were made as follows:

- (a) 14/00112/COU – Change of use of land for the siting of two mobile homes for gypsy families, land to the rear of 1 Nock Verges, Earl Shilton – Mr William Stubly

Some members felt that the access to the site was unsuitable and there was no pedestrian footpath, and expressed concern regarding health and safety for children on land that had previously been used for storing scrap metal. As such, it was proposed by Councillor Allen that the application be refused for these reasons. In the absence of a seconder, the motion was not put.

Following discussion on the suggested conditions of the Director of Environment and Transport (Highways), it was felt that based on the historic uses of the site and the lack of accident record, it would not be reasonable to impose these conditions should the application be approved. Some members also felt that the clearing of the site as a result of this application would improve the visual amenity of the surrounding countryside.

It was moved by Councillor Bannister, seconded by Councillor Taylor and

RESOLVED – the application be permitted subject to conditions.

- (b) 14/00349/OUT – erection of one dwelling and four mobile homes (outline – access and layout only), The Poplars, Watling Street, Hinckley – Mr J Smith

On the motion of Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Taylor, it was

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

- (c) 14/00381/FUL – Installation of 1 wind turbine (up to 110 metres in tip height) and associated infrastructure, land east of Bagworth Road, Newbold Heath – Miss Rebecca Meek

It was moved by Councillor Hulbert and seconded by Councillor Bannister that the application be approved subject to conditions.

Following further discussion, some members expressed concern regarding the ground conditions due to the former coal mines in the area. It was proposed that a condition be added to require the submission of a further groundwork / coal mining assessment. Councillors Hulbert and Bannister agreed to the AMENDMENT and it was therefore

RESOLVED – the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the officer's report and an additional condition to require the submission of groundwork / coal mining assessment.

- (d) 14/00025/COU – Change of use of agricultural land to 7 showman’s yards and the creation of a new access, land adjacent to Carousel Park, Stapleton Lane, Barwell – Mr Robert Lynch

It was moved by Councillor Smith, seconded by Councillor Hulbert and

RESOLVED – the application be permitted subject to the conditions contained in the officer’s report.

- (e) 14/00526/CONDIT – variation of condition of planning permission APP/K2420/A/12/2186862 (12/00338/COU) to extend opening hours, Bubble Boyz Car Wash, Watling Street, Hinckley – Mr R Sokhi

It was moved by Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Taylor and

RESOLVED – the application be refused for the reasons contained in the officer’s report.

- (f) 14/00587/FUL – Proposed agricultural building, Kirkby Fields Farm, 10 Newbold Road, Kirkby Mallory – Mr DB Griffin

On the motion of Councillor Sutton, seconded by Councillor Taylor, it was

RESOLVED – the application be permitted subject to the conditions contained in the officer’s report.

106 APPEAL DECISIONS

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

107 APPEALS PROGRESS

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

108 DELEGATED DECISIONS ISSUED

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

(The Meeting closed at 8.05 pm)

CHAIRMAN