

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

26 JANUARY 2016 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Mr R Ward - Chairman

Mrs MA Cook, Mrs GAW Cope, Mr WJ Crooks (for Mr DC Bill MBE), Mrs L Hodgkins, Mr E Hollick, Mrs J Kirby, Mr K Morrell (for Mr LJP O'Shea), Mr RB Roberts, Mr SL Rooney, Mrs H Smith, Mr BE Sutton, Miss DM Taylor, Ms BM Witherford and Ms AV Wright

Officers in attendance: Simon Atha, Joseph Matharu, Rebecca Owen, Michael Rice and Nic Thomas

361 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

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

Councillor Crooks for Councillor Bill
Councillor Morrell for Councillor O'Shea.

362 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR THIS MEETING ONLY

In the absence of the Vice-Chairman, it was moved by Councillor Ward, seconded by Councillor Hollick and

RESOLVED – Councillor Sutton take the Vice-Chairman's seat for this meeting only.

363 MINUTES

It was moved by Councillor Sutton, seconded by Councillor Wright and

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 22 December be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

364 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Ward declared a personal interest in application 15/00549/FUL and stated that he would not vote on the matter.

365 DECISIONS DELEGATED AT PREVIOUS MEETING

It was reported that all decisions had been issued.

366 15/01292/OUT - LAND TO THE SOUTH WEST OF LUTTERWORTH ROAD, BURBAGE

Application for residential development for up to 80 dwellings, open space and associated works (outline – access only).

Councillor Taylor arrived at 18:36.

It was moved by Councillor Rooney and seconded by Councillor Cook that the Committee accept the officer's recommendation to grant permission.

Councillor Wright asked for an additional condition to be added to the proposal that requires the developer to submit a traffic survey and any related mitigation measures before development begins.

Both Councillor Rooney and Councillor Cook agreed to Councillor Wright's amendment and therefore it was

RESOLVED – the application be approved subject to conditions contained in the officer's report and a condition imposed to require a further traffic survey to be carried out prior to the commencement of development.

367 15/00826/REM - LAND SURROUNDING SKETCHLEY HOUSE, WATLING STREET, BURBAGE

Application for the approval of reserved matters (appearance, landscape, layout and scale) of outline planning permission 13/00529/OUT for residential development of 135 dwellings, public and private open space, landscaping and associated infrastructure.

It was moved by Councillor Sutton, seconded by Councillor Rooney and

RESOLVED – the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the officer's report and late items.

368 15/00549/FUL - ST CHRISTOPHER'S CHURCH HALL, 22 MOORE ROAD, BARWELL

Application for demolition of church hall and erection of four dwellings.

On the motion of Councillor Taylor and seconded by Councillor Crooks it was

RESOLVED – the application be refused in accordance with the officer's recommendation.

369 15/00650/OUT - LAND REAR OF 12 BIRCH CLOSE, EARL SHILTON

Application for demolition of dwelling and erection of 14 dwellings (outline – access and layout).

It was moved by Councillor Sutton, seconded by Councillor Crooks and

RESOLVED – the application be approved subject to conditions and a Section 106 agreement.

370 15/00687/HOU - HARRIS BRIDGE COTTAGE, WATERY LANE, TWYXCROSS

Application for detached garage to front with room in roof.

Notwithstanding the officer's recommendation that the application be refused, Councillor Morrell proposed a motion to grant planning permission on the grounds that he did not feel that the proposed development would affect residential or visual amenity when viewed from the main road. This motion was seconded by Councillor Hodgkins.

Before being taken to a vote, some members expressed the view that a deferral would be a better option to give the applicant the opportunity to address the concerns about the

visual impact. Councillor Roberts proposed to defer the application and this was seconded by Councillor Wright.

As the first valid motion, Councillor Morrell's proposal to approve the application was put to the vote and carried. Members subsequently expressed concern that the motion on which they were voting was unclear and it was requested that the vote be re-taken. Upon the vote being taken it was declared CARRIED and

RESOLVED – the application be approved.

371 APPEALS DECISIONS RECEIVED

The committee noted the report.

372 APPEALS PROGRESS

The appeals progress report was noted.

373 DELEGATED DECISIONS ISSUED

The update on decisions delegated was noted.

374 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

The committee noted the enforcement update.

375 MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE

The major project update was noted.

(The Meeting closed at 8.23 pm)

CHAIRMAN