

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

22 MARCH 2016 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Mr R Ward - Chairman
Mr LJP O'Shea – Vice-Chairman
Mr RG Allen, Mr DC Bill MBE, Mr MB Cartwright (for Mrs L Hodgkins), Mrs MA Cook, Mrs GAW Cope, Mr E Hollick, Mrs J Kirby, Mr RB Roberts, Mr SL Rooney, Mrs H Smith, Mr BE Sutton, Miss DM Taylor, Ms BM Witherford and Ms AV Wright

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.4 Councillor Mr SL Bray was in attendance. County Councillor M Mullaney was also in attendance.

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

458 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Hodgkins, with the substitution of Councillor Cartwright authorised in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4.

459 MINUTES

On the motion of Councillor Allen, seconded by Councillor Wright, it was

RESOLVED – the minutes of the meeting held on 23 February be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

460 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Bill, Cartwright, Cope, Hollick and Witherford declared a personal interest leading to bias in relation to application 15/01322/FUL and stated that they would leave the meeting during this item.

461 DECISIONS DELEGATED AT PREVIOUS MEETING

It was reported that all decisions delegated at the previous meeting had been issued.

462 16/00054/FUL - ASDA, BARWELL LANE, HINCKLEY

Application for demolition of nos 26 & 28 Barwell Lane and the erection of an automated petrol filling station (revised scheme)

Councillor Taylor entered the meeting at 6.35pm.

In presenting the application, officers corrected an error in condition 9 in the report which should have read "The petrol filling station shall not be open for the sale of fuel outside the hours of 06:00 to 21:00 Mondays to Saturdays..."

Notwithstanding the officer's recommendation that the application be approved, some members felt that the traffic impact at the Barwell Lane/Ashby Road junction should be assessed further. It was moved by Councillor Cartwright that the decision be delegated to officers following further discussion with the applicant and the highways authority.

Following the officer's response that such discussions had already taken place, Councillor Cartwright withdrew his proposal.

Councillor Cartwright then proposed that the application be refused due to detriment to residential amenity and highways, which was seconded by Councillor Bill.

Councillor Allen, seconded by Councillor Cook, proposed that the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the officer's report.

Councillor Cartwright's motion, having been seconded prior to Councillor Allen's, was put to the vote and CARRIED. It was therefore

RESOLVED – the application be refused on grounds of detriment to residential amenity and highways issues.

463 15/00942/FUL - FORMER POLICE STATION, UPPER BOND STREET, HINCKLEY

Application for change of use from Police Station to 30 residential apartments.

Whilst in support of the principle of bringing the building back into use, concern was expressed regarding insufficient car parking provision on site and the potential of exacerbating the on-street parking problems in the surrounding area. It was moved by Councillor Witherford and seconded by Councillor Taylor that the application be deferred for a site visit and further discussions with the applicant in relation to parking.

Councillor Cartwright proposed an amendment that the application be deferred to give consideration to a S106 agreement to alleviate potential parking problems. Following clarification by officers that further discussion would not be necessary and the requirement for a S106 agreement could be added as part of this decision, Councillor Cartwright withdrew his amendment.

Councillor Wright, seconded by Councillor O'Shea, proposed that the application be approved subject to the conditions in the officer's report and a requirement for a Section 106 agreement to provide parking permits for 14 units in council-owned long-stay car parks for two years at the developer's expense.

As the first viable motion, Councillor Witherford's proposal to defer for a site visit was put to the vote and LOST.

Councillor Wright's motion that the application be approved with the additional Section 106 agreement was put to the vote and subsequently CARRIED. It was therefore

RESOLVED – the application be approved subject to the conditions contained in the officer's report and a Section 106 agreement requiring a financial contribution for 14 parking permits in HBBC's long-term car parks for a period of two years.

464 15/01322/FUL - DOCTORS SURGERY, CLIFTON WAY, HINCKLEY

Application for extension to medical centre.

Having declared a personal interest leading to bias in this item, Councillors Bill, Cartwright, Cope, Hollick and Witherford left the meeting at 7.55pm. Councillor Taylor also left the meeting at 7.55pm.

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

RESOLVED – permission be granted subject to the conditions contained in the officer's report.

Councillors Bill, Cartwright, Cope, Hollick, Taylor and Witherford returned to the meeting at 8.02pm.

465 16/00064/HOU - THE COTTAGE, 2 NEWTON LANE, ODSTONE

Application for extension to existing garage and erection of two dormer windows (retrospective).

Councillor Cook proposed that a condition be added to require opaque glass in the dormer windows.

It was moved by Councillor Rooney and seconded by Councillor Allen that the application be approved. Councillor O'Shea then seconded Councillor Cook's motion that opaque glass be required in the dormer windows. This was not accepted as an amendment by the mover and seconder of the valid motion.

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

RESOLVED – permission be granted subject to the conditions contained in the officer's report.

466 APPEALS PROGRESS

Members received an update on progress in relation to various appeals since the last meeting. It was

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

Councillor Cook was absent during discussion and voting on this item.

467 APPEAL DECISIONS RECEIVED

The committee received decisions in relation to appeals at 28 Lutterworth Road, Burbage and 23 Station Road, Ratby. It was

RESOLVED – the reports be noted.

468 DELEGATED DECISIONS ISSUED

Members received a schedule of delegated decisions taken since the last meeting. An error on page 89, which referred to the Police Station site, was highlighted and it was agreed that this was an error and should not have appeared on the list.

RESOLVED – the report be noted.

(The Meeting closed at 8.21 pm)

CHAIRMAN

