

HARBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

held remotely on

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2020

commencing at 6.30p.m.

Present:

Councillor (present): Champion (Chairman)

Councillors (remote access): Mrs Ackerley, Dr Bremner, Mrs. Burrell, Frenchman, Galton,  
James, Liquorish and Modha

Officers remote access: D. Atkinson, A. Eastwood J. Felton, S.Hamilton and N. Parry

#### INTRODUCTIONS

Members of the public were welcomed to this remote meeting and members of the Committee introduced themselves. The Chairman stated that whilst new Government legislation enabled the Committee to make decisions through remote meetings during the current pandemic, other provisions on how the Council conducted meetings remained the same.

#### APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTIFICATIONS OF SUBSTITUTIONS

There were none.

#### MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

#### DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

There were none.

#### REFERRALS UP TO COUNCIL BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

There were no referrals up to Council by the Planning Committee under Part 3 Section B1.4 of the Council's Constitution.

#### QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC

There were none.

#### HIGHWAYS TRAINING

It was noted that the highways training being organised by Leicestershire Highways on 24<sup>th</sup> June for Planning Committee members, with all other members invited to attend, has been cancelled because

of the Covid-19 restrictions. The training will be held at a future date, to be confirmed, and members will be notified when this can be arranged.

#### SITE INSPECTIONS

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May 2020 the following Members attended a site inspection in accordance with the Covid-19 restrictions, arranged prior to the meeting: Councillors Mrs Ackerley, Dr Bremner, Mrs. Burrell, Champion, Frenchman, James and Modha.

The site inspected was in connection with application 20/00004/FUL – Market Harborough.

#### APPLICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION

The Committee's attention was drawn to the additional information and representations made in respect of applications 19/01902 – Great Bowden and 20/00004/FUL – Market Harborough.

##### (i) 19/01902/FUL GREAT BOWDEN

Erection of 33 dwellings with associated landscaping, highways and drainage infrastructure (revised scheme of 19/00099/FUL), Bowden Fencing, Leicester Lane Great Bowden.

##### RESOLVED:

That the application be REFUSED as the proposal is contrary to Policy EMP 1 (a) of the Great Bowden Neighbourhood Plan as it results in the loss of land in commercial use. This harm by way of conflict with the neighbourhood plan, and loss of employment opportunity, significantly and demonstrably outweighs the proposals benefits including the delivery of housing and affordable housing.

##### (ii) 20/00004/FUL – MARKET HARBOROUGH

Creation of a new external artificial sports pitch with associated features; including a Hockey Turf Pitch (HTP), an extended tennis/netball court, perimeter fencing with gated entrances and artificial floodlighting systems, The Robert Smyth School, Burnmill Road, Market Harborough.

##### RESOLVED:

That the application be APPROVED for the reasons set out in the report and appendices and supplementary information, subject to the conditions set out in the report, appendices and supplementary information, and with the following amendment:

Additional Condition 13 : Notwithstanding Condition 2, the use of the Artificial Grass Pitch (AGP) / Hockey Turf Pitch (HTP) hereby approved shall only be between the hours of 10:00 - 13:00 on any Sunday and not used at all outside those hours on any Sunday. The AGP/HTP shall not be used at all on a bank or public holiday.

REASON: To protect neighbouring amenities and to accord with Harborough Local Plan Policy GD8.

(iii) 20/00540/FUL - ARNESBY

Erection of a single storey rear extension, Ferndale House, Mill Hill Road, Arnesby, Leicestershire, LE8 5WG

RESOLVED:

That the application be APPROVED for the reasons set out in the report.

(iv) 20/00579/FUL – FOXTON

Change of use of land to cemetery including installation of close board fence, Cemetery Ce3, Main Street, Foxton, Leicestershire.

RESOLVED

That the application be APPROVED for the reasons set out in the report.

URGENT MATTERS

There were none.

The Meeting ended at 9.00 p.m.

Chairman: .....

Date: .....