
COUNCIL MEETING

To All Members of the Council on 12 October 2012

Date of meeting: Monday 22 October and Tuesday 23 October 2012

Time: 6.30pm

Venue: Council Offices, Adam and Eve St
Market Harborough

Dear Councillor

A Meeting of the Harborough District Council, which you are invited to attend, is to be held as detailed above.

The business to be transacted is set out in the Agenda below.

Yours faithfully

Anna Graves
Chief Executive

Agenda –part 1

- 1) Topical Issues.
(Ten minutes have been reserved for this item).
- 2) To receive the Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 17 September 2012 (page 1).
- 3) To receive Declaration of Members' Interests.
- 4) Chairman's Announcements.
- 5) To answer written questions or receive petitions submitted by the public.
- 6) To receive the report of the Leader.
- 7) To receive an officer's report on the Property Review- Business Case for Investment in Market Hall (to follow).
- 8) To receive an officer's report on the Property Review – Business Case for Redevelopment of Headquarters (to follow).

9) To receive an officer's report on Land at Welham Lane, Great Bowden (to follow).

10) To receive an officer's report on Property Review Proposal –Financial overview (to follow).

Agenda- part 2

11) To consider a call-in of Planning Application 12/00851/FUL Gazeley UK Ltd and Stobart Group Ltd by Cllrs Mrs Page, Mrs Robinson, Mrs Wood, King, and Tomlin as set out below:

1. That this application by reason of its location, buildings and hard standing would impact on the character and appearance of the countryside and conflicts and is contrary to Policies CS14, CS7(f), CS11(c)iii and CS17 of the adopted Core Strategy.
2. That the question to override this conflict by applying significant weight to the aims and objectives of 'Planning for Growth' is counter to the submission of the Council's response in summer 2011 to the PfG consultation, and that such matters such as the expansion of Magna Park was considered as part of the Public Examination of draft Core Strategy.
3. In the final submission to HDC prior to adoption, the Planning Inspector determined that: "Taking all of these factors into account, it would be inappropriate for the Core Strategy to promote significant expansion at Magna Park. Part J of Policy 7 is justified therefore in making it clear that development beyond the existing footprint will not be supported, whilst safeguarding the role of the site as a strategic distribution centre accommodating large scale units."
4. There is no material difference between the present application 12/00851/FUL and the earlier application 11/01757/FUL. The changes are peripheral and not significant and therefore the diametrically opposite recommendation is questionable.
5. The reason for approval is simplistic and likely to be in error. The current report recognises that the 'new jobs' would not be 'new' but the transfer from one location to another. Unemployment is well below the national level even if unemployment opportunities were to be generated the likelihood of the positions being filled by local people will not be great.
6. The government's fundamental requirement for all new developments is sustainability. It is evident that the application site is not in an environmentally sustainable location for businesses.
7. As an Allocation DPD is not available the application is premature.

The report relating to this item is attached at page number 11.

12a) To receive recommendations from the Executive (page 32)

12b) To receive the Minutes of the Executive Meeting held on 19 September and 1 October 2012 (page 36 and 51).

- 13a) To receive the report of the Chairman of the Scrutiny Commission (to follow).
- 13b) To receive the Minutes of the Meetings of the Resource and Performance Scrutiny Panel held on 13 September and 4 October 2012 (page 65 and 67).
- 14) To receive the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meetings held on 18 September and 9 October (page 72 and 77).
- 15) To receive the Minutes of the Governance and Audit Committee Meeting held on 26th September (page 81).
- 16) To receive the Minutes of the Ethical Governance Committee Meeting held on 27th September 2012 (page 168).
- 17) To authorise action taken on the sealing of the following documents:
- Section 106 Agreement Tur Langton lodge, Cranoe Road, Tur Langton between o' Sullivan farms, the Council and S. A O' Sullivan
Section 106 Agreement 32 Ridgway West, Market Harborough between JC Goodhind and RA Goodhind and the Council
Section 106 Agreement Land at Northampton Road Market Harborough between W and J P arker Limited and Persimmon Homes the Council and Leicestershire County Council
Licence for the Broxhill Buildings Theddingworth - Welland Waste Management and the Council
- 18) To Consider Officer's Report on Business Rates Pooling (to follow).
- 19) To consider any urgent matters (to be decided by the Chairman)

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