

HARBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

held remotely on

Tuesday 28th July 2020

commencing at 6.30p.m.

Present:

Councillor (present): Champion (Chairman)

Councillors (remote access): Mrs Ackerley, Bannister, Mrs. Burrell, James, Knowles, Modha Nunn and Whelband.

Officer| (present): M. Patterson
Officers remote access: A. Eastwood and J. Felton.

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

Apologies were received from Cllrs Frenchman, Galton and Liquorish, who had been substituted by Cllrs Whelband, Knowles and Bannister respectively.

DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Cllr Mrs Ackerleyr Application 19/00250/OUT
Cllr Mrs Ackerley stated that she is a member of Lutterworth Town Council but always declared an interest and took no part in their discussions. She had not been involved in the submission from Lutterworth Town Council.

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.

SITE INSPECTIONS

A series of site visits had been arranged in respect of application 19/00250/OUT in May, June and July 2020 and all members of the Committee and substitute members for this meeting (Councillors Bannister and Knowles) had attended one of these site visits. Councillor Whelband, as a later substitute, had been unable to attend a site visit but did visit the site prior to the meeting.

APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION

The Committee's attention was drawn to the additional information and representations made in respect of application 19/00250/OUT – Lutterworth.

(i) 19/00250/OUT – LUTTERWORTH.

Hybrid planning application comprising:

Outline application for development (including demolition) of up to 2,750 dwellings; business, general industrial and storage and distribution uses; two primary schools; neighbourhood centre; public open space; greenspace; drainage features; acoustic barrier; and other associated infrastructure (some matters reserved); and

Full application for the development of a spine road and associated junctions with the A426 north of Lutterworth, Gilmorton Road, Chapel Lane, and the A4304 east of M1 Junction 20; comprising carriageway, footway, cycleway and associated infrastructure to include earthworks, bridge structures, services, drainage, landscaping, lighting and signage, Land East Of Lutterworth, Gilmorton Road, Lutterworth.

The application had been deferred without consideration at the Extraordinary meeting of the Planning Committee held on 21st April 2020 on two grounds:

1. Until such time as a site visit can be arranged for the whole Planning Committee, and such Ward members are eligible to attend; and
2. To receive, if necessary, further legal advice as may be necessary following detailed consideration by the Council and consultation with the applicant on the very late submissions from the University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust (UHL).

The Committee adjourned between 8.30 and 8.37pm to allow members to read slides on the Spine Road Options Assessment contained in the agenda and which some members said had been difficult to read in printed format.

RESOLVED:

That Planning Permission is APPROVED, for the reasons set out in the report and the supplementary information, subject to:-

- (i) The proposed conditions set out in Appendix A and the supplementary information (with delegation to the Development Planning Manager, to agree the final wording of these); and
- (ii) The Applicant's entering into a legal agreement under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (and S38/S278 of the Highways Act 1980) to provide for the obligations set out in Appendix B and justified in Section 6c of this report and the Planning Committee Supplementary report, and in the case of the Leicestershire Police and the East Leicestershire and Rutland Clinical Commissioning Group requests for a contribution which is Regulation 122 of the Community Infrastructure Levy Regulations compliant except;
 - (a) if the contribution is found to be compliant but the applicant refuses to accept it the application is referred back to this committee; or
 - (b) it is found not to be reg.122 compliant the agreement be entered into without such a contribution

(with delegation to the Development Planning Manager, in consultation with the Planning Committee Chairman, to agree the final wording, amounts and trigger points of the obligations).

DURATION OF MEETING

During consideration of the above application at 9.20pm, and as per the provisions of the Council's Constitution, Part 4, Sections 1, Paragraph 4.2 (Duration of Meetings), it was proposed and seconded and voted on that the meeting should continue beyond the three hour time limit to allow the application to be determined.

RESOLVED. That the meeting continue to allow the application 19/00250/OUT to be determined.

The Meeting ended at 9.55p.m.