

HARBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Held at The Council Chamber,
The Symington Building, Adam & Eve Street,
Market Harborough, LE16 7AG

On 6th June 2023
commencing at 6.30pm

Present:

Councillors: Johnson (Chairman of the Council in the Chair for Agenda Item 1)
Burrell (Chairman for Agenda Items 3 onwards)

Asher, Elliott, Gair, James, Mahal, Modha, Whelband, Worrell.

Officers present: A. Eastwood – Head of Development Management, L. Finch –
Development Management Team Leader, S. Hamilton – Senior Democratic Officer,
N. Parry – Development Management Team Leader, M. Patterson – Strategic
Growth Manager.

Remote: J. Felton – Planning Solicitor.

1. Election of Chairman of Planning Committee

The Chairman of the Council opened the meeting. She noted that the first item on the agenda was to Elect a Chairman of the Planning Committee for the municipal year 2023/24. She invited nominations, Councillor Burrell was nominated by Councillor Elliott. This was seconded by Councillor James and there being no other nominations, Councillor Burrell was duly elected.

2. Appointment of Vice Chairman of Planning Committee

Councillor James was nominated by Councillor Elliott. This was seconded by Councillor Asher.

Councillor Burrell assumed the Chair.

3. INTRODUCTIONS

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and highlighted the procedures for the smooth running of the meeting.

4. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND NOTIFICATIONS OF SUBSTITUTIONS

There were none.

5. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS.

Councillor Modha declared an interest in 23/00329/FUL, in that she knows a speaker on the application. She agreed to leave the meeting for the presentation and deliberation on this application.

6. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on the 4th April 2023 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

7. QUESTIONS AND PETITIONS SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC

There were none.

8. REFERRALS UP TO COUNCIL BY THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

There were none.

9. TO CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT PERMISSION

- i. The Development Management Team Leader introduced the report in respect of application 20/00718/FUL And 20/00719/LBC, The Welland Quarter, St Mary's Road, Market Harborough - *Erection of 3 No, 4 and 5 storey apartment buildings (comprising a total of 77 residential units with balconies) (Class C3), associated parking and electric charging points, and change of use of existing vacant listed building to 6 flats, including refurbishment works, and external staircase to rear (revised description).*

She directed Members to the Supplementary Information. Representation was heard in support of the application from the Applicant's Agent Ian Palmer and from Ward Member Councillor Phil Knowles. The Committee had the opportunity to question the speakers and Officers.

Following consideration of the report it was;

RESOLVED that;

Planning Permission is APPROVED, for the reasons set out in the report.

- ii. The Development Management Team Leader introduced the report in respect of application 21/02224/FUL, 20-24 Church Road, Great Glen, Leicestershire, LE8 9FE - *Demolition of workshop, erection of 14 dwellings and erection of retail store.*

She directed Members to the Supplementary Information. Representation was heard in support of the application from the Applicant's Agent Lee Staniforth. Representation was heard in opposition of the application from Objector Doug Jackson. The Committee had the opportunity to question the speakers and Officers.

Following consideration of the report it was;

RESOLVED that;

Planning Permission is APPROVED, for the reasons set out in the report.

- iii. The Head of Development Management introduced the report in respect of applications 23/00150/ADV, 23/00151/ADV, 23/00152/ADV, 23/00153/ADV, Land at Northampton Road, Market Harborough, Land at Market Street, Lutterworth, Land at St Marys Road, Market Harborough, Land at Leicester Road, Market Harborough - *Installation of non-illuminated PVC lamp post banners.*

He directed Members to the Supplementary Information. There being no speakers on this subject, the Committee had the opportunity to question the Officers.

Following consideration of the report it was;

RESOLVED that;

Planning Permission is APPROVED, for the reasons set out in the report.

- iv. The Strategic Growth Manager introduced the report in respect of the application 23/00287/REM, Land Adj Glebe Farm, Coventry Road, Lutterworth - *Application for approval of reserved matters (layout, scale, appearance and landscaping) part of zone A/B (north east part (MPS9)) of outline application 15/00865/FUL.*

He directed Members to the Supplementary Information. Representation was heard in support of the application from the Applicant's Agent Gwyn Stubbings. The Committee had the opportunity to question the speaker and Officers.

Following consideration of the report it was;

RESOLVED that;

Planning Permission is APPROVED, for the reasons set out in the report.

- v. The Head of Development introduced the report in respect of the application 23/00382/FUL, 1 The Old Rectory, Main Street, Saddington - *Restoration and conversion of an existing outbuilding (a coach house) into annex accommodation.*

He directed Members to the Supplementary Information. There being no speakers on this application, the Committee had the opportunity to question the Officers.

Following consideration of the report it was;

RESOLVED that;

Planning Permission is APPROVED, for the reasons set out in the report.

- vi. The Strategic Growth Manager introduced the report in respect of application 23/00438/REM, Land at Mere Lane, Bittesby - *Application for approval of appearance, landscape, layout, scale and access (internal only), of Plot K (part of(MPN5)) at Magna Park, Lutterworth North (ref. 15/01531/OUT) including one building, internal roads, footways/cycleway, bunding, maintenance strips, foul and surface water drainage, landscaping, associated utilities and land reprofiling.*

He directed Members to the Supplementary Information. Representation was heard in support of the application from the Applicant's Agent Gwyn Stubbings. The Committee had the opportunity to question the speaker and Officers.

Following consideration of the report it was;

RESOLVED that;

Planning Permission is APPROVED, for the reasons set out in the report.

- vii. Due to her declared interests, Councillor Modha excused herself from the presentation and deliberation of this application.

The Development Management Team Leader introduced the report in respect of application 23/00329/FUL, Firs Farm, Main Street, Illston On The Hill - *Demolition of existing outbuildings and erection of residential annex and garage/car lodge.*

She directed Members to the Supplementary Information. There being no speakers on this application, the Committee had the opportunity to question the Officers.

Following consideration of the report it was;

RESOLVED that;

Planning Permission is APPROVED, for the reasons set out in the report.

10. ANY URGENT BUSINESS

There were none.

The Meeting closed at 20:07.