

HARBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

held in the Council Chamber,
Council Offices, Adam and Eve Street, Market Harborough

13th July 2010

commencing at 6.30p.m.

Present:
Councillor Liquorish (Chairman)

Councillors: Beaty, Mrs. Burrell, Evans, Galton, Graves, Dr. S. Hill, Holyoak,
Johnson, B. Smith, M. Smith, Mrs. Wood.

Officers: B. Culpin, A. Eastwood, L. Finch, M. Patterson , V. Wenham and A. Cowan

No apologies for absence were received

169 INTRODUCTIONS

The Chairman welcomed all those present, introduced the Officers in attendance and indicated the locations of fire escape and W.C. facilities.

The Chairman advised all those present that the Meeting was subject to audio recording.

170 NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTES

There were no substitutions.

171 MINUTES

The Committee noted that the final line (before finish time of meeting) – “waiting for Adrian” be removed from the Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 15th June 2010.

RESOLVED that: the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 15th June 2010 be approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman subject to the above amendment.

172 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Councillor Mrs. Johnson

Application 10/00679/BAC

Councillor Mrs. Johnson disclosed a personal and prejudicial interest in this item and withdrew from the meeting during its debate and resolution. The reason for the interest was stated to be that the objector was a friend.

Councillor Mrs. Burrell

Application 10/00733/FUL

Councillor Mrs Burrell disclosed a personal but not prejudicial interest in this item and stayed for the debate and resolution. The reason for the interest was stated that the architect was a fellow parish councillor.

Adrian Eastwood

Application 10/00679/BAC

Adrian Eastwood disclosed that he has had no part in considering the application as he lives close to the site.

173 QUESTIONS AND WRITTEN PETITIONS SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC

None were received.

174 SITE INSPECTIONS

The following Members attended site inspections arranged prior to the Meeting in respect of the applications below:

Councillors Beaty, Mrs. Burrell, Evans, Holyoak, Johnson, B. Smith and M. Smith visited the sites concerned with:

10/00179/OUT – MARKET HARBOROUGH, 10/00774/FUL – Market HARBOROUGH and 10/00783/FUL – ULLESTHORPE.

175 APPLICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION

Applications for determination were considered and the Committee's attention was drawn to the additional information and representations made in respect of applications:

10/00179/OUT – MARKET HARBOROUGH, 10/00774/FUL – MARKET HARBOROUGH, 10/00783/FUL – ULLESTHORPE, 10/00606/VAC – BRINGHURST, 10/00429/FUL – BLASTON, 10/00460/FUL – GILMORTON, 10/00585/FUL – BROUGHTON ASTLEY, 10/00679/VAC – MARKET HARBOROUGH, 10/00733/FUL – SKEFFINGTON, 10/00552/VAC – KIBWORTH BEAUCHAMP, 10/00641/FUL - ULLESTHORPE and 10/00644/FUL – ULLESTHORPE

10/00774/FUL – MARKET HARBOROUGH

Cllr. Liquorish reported that this application had been withdrawn.

10/00783/FUL – ULLESTHORPE

Cllr. Liquorish reported that this item was to be deferred, reasons were given in the supplementary list – the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings had objected to the proposal as they believed it would be in conflict with national planning policies set out in PPS 5: Planning for the Historic Environment.

10/00585/FUL – BROUGHTON ASTLEY

Erection of a detached dwelling, including new access and associated hardstanding and landscaping, at 112 Station Road.

RESOLVED: that the application be REFUSED for the following reasons:

Reason

The erection of the dwelling was refused on the grounds of amenity impact – IN/1 and would be out of keeping on form, character and appearance of the immediate area - HS/8 and the impact on amenity regarding access - IN/1J (with regard to the neighbours house).

10/00179/OUT– MARKET HARBOROUGH

Erection of up to 50 dwellings (means of access to be considered) (resubmission of 09/00812/OUT) at Land at Clack Hill, Kettering Road

RESOLVED: that the application be REFUSED for the following reasons:

Reason

The adverse impact on the countryside would not comply with EV/5 and it would not be a suitable housing site within terms of PPS3.

Cllr Beaty abstained from the voting as he did not think that the impact on the countryside was sufficient reason to refuse.

10/00606/VAC – BRINGHURST

Variation to remove condition 6 of 06/01156/FUL, Castle View Stables, Great Easton Road

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information with the inclusion of Condition 2 – the premises will only be used to teach horsemanship to customers who have their horses liveried at the facility.

10/00460/FUL – GILMORTON

Change of use of the land for the permanent retention of a park home. Tealby Farm Nursery, Mill Lane.

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information for such time as the applicants live on the land.

10/00733/FUL – SKEFFINGTON

Conversion of garage to form space at Corner House, Main Street.

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information with a note to the applicant that planning permission will be required should a change of use from a domestic property occur.

10/00552/VAC – KIBWORTH BEAUCHAMP

Variation of condition 23 to allow the use of the pavilion outside the approved hours on no more than 24 occasions per annum and New Year, Kibworth Cricket Club, Fleckney Road.

RESOLVED: that the application be DEFERRED so that Officers could check what conditions the applicant would be reverting to, should the application be refused, as condition 23 was a temporary condition.

It was put to the vote at this stage whether to continue with the meeting or re-convene. Cllr. Mrs. Burrell proposed that the meeting continue and was seconded by Cllr. Beaty. Unanimous.

Also Cllr B Smith and Cllr. Mrs. Johnson had proposed REFUSAL but this was removed. (Verina clarified the position)

10/00429/FUL – BLASTON

Erection of two storey extensions and single storey link to double garage, Mud Cottage, Main Street.

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information.

10/00679/VAC – MARKET HARBOROUGH

Variation of Condition 17 of 09/01551/OUT to remove height restriction, Westbrook House, Scotland Road.

Having disclosed a personal and prejudicial interest in this application, Councillor Mrs. Johnson withdrew from the meeting.

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information.

10/00641/FUL – ULLESTHORPE

Change of use of land for the stationing of caravans for two gypsy pitches with ancillary utility/day room buildings and hardstanding (retrospective), Mere Farm, Mere Road, Bitteswell.

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information.

10/00644/FUL – ULLESTHORPE

Change of use of land to form Gypsy & Traveller Transit Site for up to 4 caravans with toilet block, Mere Road, Bitteswell.

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information.

176 OFFICERS' REPORTS

Cllr. Liquorish suggested that the Officer report be dealt with at the next meeting.

RESOLVED that the report be deferred to the next meeting of Council.

The Meeting ended at 10 p.m.