

## **Planning Committee**

**Minutes of meeting held remotely on 26 January 2021 at 6.00 pm.**

**Present:**

Councillor Jim Murray (Chair).

Councillors Robin Maxted, Md. Harun Miah, Amanda Morris, Colin Murdoch, Paul Metcalfe MBE, Barry Taylor and Candy Vaughan.

**Officers in attendance:**

Leigh Palmer (Interim Head of Planning), Neil Collins (Specialist Advisor for Planning), Helen Monaghan (Lawyer, Planning), Emily Horne (Committee Officer) and Jennifer Norman, (Committee Officer).

**Also in attendance:**

Councillor Alan Shuttleworth, Ward Member for Langney and Councillor Robert Smart, Ward Member for Meads.

**44 Welcome and Introductions**

The Chair introduced members of the Committee via roll call, and officers those present during the remote meeting.

**45 Apologies for absence and notification of substitute members**

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Peter Diplock and Jane Lamb. Councillor Amanda Morris declared that she was acting as substitute for Councillor Peter Diplock and Councillor Paul Metcalfe confirmed he was acting as substitute for Councillor Jane Lamb.

**46 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPIs) by members as required under Section 31 of the Localism Act and of other interests as required by the Code of Conduct.**

There were none.

**47 Minutes of the meeting held on 15 December 2020**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 December 2020 were submitted and approved as a correct record, and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

**48 Urgent items of business.**

There were none.

**49 Hampden Retail Park, Marshall Road. ID: 200909**

Planning permission the erection of a coffee shop with drive thru facility, replacement car parking and associated works – **HAMPDEN PARK**.

This application was brought to the committee for determination as Eastbourne Borough Council was the applicant.

The Committee was advised by way of an addendum report that revised drawings had been received showing an increase in 5 trees on the site and fewer car parking spaces.

Councillor Murray proposed a motion to approve the application in line with the officers' recommendation, the provision of additional trees referred to in the Addendum. This was seconded by Councillor Miah and was carried.

**RESOLVED: (Unanimous)** that Planning permission be granted, subject to the conditions set out in the report and the revisions referred to in the Addendum.

**50 Land at Friday Street Farm, Stone Cross. ID: 190706**

Outline planning application (Matter for approval: Access) for proposed new access from Pennine Way to serve development of Land at Friday Street Farm, for up to 250 residential dwellings (35% affordable), with associated car parking, together with the introduction of new access point from Pennine Way, and creation of a network of roads, footways, and cycleways throughout the site, and the provision of 1.6ha of public open space, further children's play areas, allotments, sustainable urban drainage systems, and landscape buffers on the site. Full proposal is being considered by Wealden District Council (Ref: WD/2020/1391/MAO) - **LANGNEY**

The Committee was advised by way of an Addendum of the conflated report, one late representation, four options to the recommendations, updates from Wealden District Council and East Sussex County Council, and further background information.

Councillor Shuttleworth, Langney ward Member, addressed the Committee and spoke on behalf of residents. He asked the Committee to refuse planning permission due to the impact of additional traffic without the necessary mitigation measures.

The Chair, explained that the application was deferred at the Planning Committee meeting held on 24 November 2020 at the request of the Members to enable further discussion with Wealden District Council and East Sussex County Council (ESCC) to negotiate the S106 and 278 Agreements. In response, ESCC had advised that it did not hold the necessary funds to undertake the mitigation measures required pre-commencement of works.

Councillor Murray proposed a motion to defer the application (Option 4 of the

Addendum), for Officers to explore the full funding arrangements for the strategic highways works. This was seconded by Councillor Maxted and was carried.

**RESOLVED: (unanimous)** That planning permission be deferred for consideration / determination of the application to explore the full funding arrangements for the strategic highway works.

**51 Planning Application Performance and Appeal Record for the year 2020**

Members noted the content of the report on the performance of determining planning applications and appeals.

Councillor Smart, Meads Ward, addressed the committee on the appeal record, referring to viability studies and pressure of housing shortages.

**52 Date of Next Meeting**

Resolved:

That the next meeting of the Planning Committee which is scheduled to commence at 6:00pm on Tuesday, 23 February 2021 in a virtual capacity, via Microsoft Teams, and in accordance with section 78 of the Coronavirus Act 2020 and section 13 of the related regulations, be noted

The meeting ended at 7.07 pm

Councillor Jim Murray (Chair)