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Planning Committee

Minutes of meeting held in Court Room at Eastbourne Town Hall, Grove Road, BN21 4UG on 26 February 2024 at 6.00 pm.

Present:

Councillor Hugh Parker (Chair).

Councillors Amanda Morris (Deputy-Chair), Nick Ansell, Andy Collins, Jane Lamb, Anita Mayes, Teri Sayers-Cooper and Candy Vaughan.

Officers in attendance:

Neil Collins (Development Management Lead), Helen Monaghan (Lawyer, Planning), Emily Horne (Committee Officer).

52 Introductions

Members of the Committee and Officers introduced themselves to all those who were present during the meeting.

53 Apologies for absence and notification of substitute members

None.

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.

No declarations of interest were made at the meeting.

55 Urgent items of business.

There were no urgent items.

Minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2024 were submitted and approved as a correct record, and the Chair was authorised to sign them.

57 Officer Update

An officer addendum was circulated to the Committee prior to the start of the meeting, updating the report on the agenda with any late information (a copy of which was published on the Council's website).

58 Gate Court Dairy, Waterworks Road. ID: 230787

Erection of 85 residential flats, together with access and parking, associated open space and landscaping and vehicular and pedestrian accesses. DEVONSHIRE.

The Development Management Lead (DML) presented the report.

The Committee was advised by way of the Addendum that one further representation had been received since the officer report, and the applicant had provided further information in response to the consultation responses from the Environment Agency and the Council's Air Quality Specialist.

Sarah Hufford, agent, spoke in support of the application.

Councillor Lamb put forward a proposal in line with the officer's recommendation with an additional condition for officers to negotiate with the applicant further car parking spaces through the adjustment of the landscaping scheme. This was seconded by Councillor Morris and was carried.

RESOLVED: by (5 votes to 1 against and 2 abstentions) that delegated authority be provided to the Development Management Lead to conclude consultation with the Local Highway Authority, the Environment Agency and the Council's Air Quality Specialist. The Development Management Lead will receive and evaluate the independent review of the submitted Financial Viability Assessment from the Council's elected viability consultants, and make any necessary revisions, attach conditions or seek planning obligations resulting from the above processes. Delegated authority be provided to the Development Management Lead to determine with the applicant, additional car parking spaces through the adjustment of the landscaping. Upon conclusion, grant planning permission with conditions, subject to S106 Agreement to secure: a) a Local Labour Agreement, b) Travel Plan and monitoring fee, c) Car Club contributions, and d) Any further obligations following conclusion of the above consultations.

Land to the rear of Pembroke House, Upperton Road. ID: 230828

Proposed redevelopment of site comprising of the demolition of existing garage block and erection of 4no. 3-bedroom dwellings with associated facilities and off-road parking – UPPERTON.

The Development Management Lead (DML) presented the report.

The Committee was advised by way of the Addendum that a consultation response had been received from East Sussex Highways (ESCC) of no objection, subject to two additional conditions concerning parking spaces and cycle parking. No further representations had been received.

Mr Ray Windust, spoke on behalf of residents against the proposed

redevelopment of the site. Councillor Ballard, Ward Councillor, addressed the Committee in objection to the application.

Councillor Vaughan put forward a proposal in line with the officer's recommendation and conditions referred to in the Addendum. This was seconded by Councillor Collins and was carried.

RESOLVED: by (4 votes to 3 against and 1 abstention) that the application be granted subject to the conditions in the Officer's report and the Addendum.

60 Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Planning Committee was scheduled to commence at 6:00pm on Monday, 18 March 2024.

The meeting ended at 7.39 pm

Councillor Hugh Parker (Chair)

