

LICHFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Committee held in The Moulton Room, Guildhall, Lichfield, at 6.30pm on Thursday, 11 January 2018

PRESENT: Councillor A Thompson (Chairman) and Councillors Mrs J Allsopp, R Awty, B Bacon, Mrs N Bacon, Mrs D Baker, J Brooks, B Cocksey, Mrs J Eagland, Mrs J Greaves, P Hitchman, Mrs S James, Mrs A Lax, Miss J Marks, T Matthews, B McMullan, C Spruce, Mrs L Warfield, M Warfield and R Yardley

APOLOGIES: Councillors Mrs G Boyle, I Eadie, C Greatorex, D Leytham, P Ray and A Smith

61 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Those City councillors present who were also members of the District Council's Planning Committee and/or Licensing Committee confirmed that their comments at this meeting were a preliminary view and that they might change their view when they heard all of the evidence at the District Council's Planning Committee and/or Licensing Committee.

Councillors Mrs D Baker, C Spruce and A Thompson declared an interest in Application No 17/01808/FUL because of their association with the applicant and left the room during the discussion and voting thereon. Councillor Mrs J Allsopp declared an interest in Application No 17/01808/FUL because the applicant is her landlord. Councillors P Hitchman and A Thompson declared an interest in Application No 17/01514/FUL because they know the applicant. Cllr Mrs D Baker declared an interest in Application No 17/01762/FUL because the site is in close proximity to her house.

62 MINUTES

RESOLVED: *That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7 December 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman subject to the removal of (CD) from the apologies of Councillor Mrs S James.*

63 APPEAL NOTICES

An Appeal Notice was considered for Application No. 17/00864/FUL, the erection of 2 no three bedroom dwellings with detached garage and associated works at 22 Gaiafields Road. The City Council's comment on 20 July 2017 was *"Recommend Refusal; Subdivision of the plot would detract from the character and environmental quality of the area, and harm the living conditions of neighbouring residents resulting in loss of amenity. Conflict between traffic and pedestrians, especially school children, since the proposed access is off the narrow part of Gaiafields Road which has no pavement. Loss of established protected trees"*

RESOLVED: *That the Town Clerk writes to the Inspector supporting the District Council's refusal of Application No 17/00864/FUL.*

64 LICENSING APPLICATIONS

Members considered Lichfield District Council Premises Licences as per agenda Appendix C.

RESOLVED: *That the Premises Licences be noted.*

65 LDC LOCAL PLAN REVIEW SCOPING REPORT

Members were advised to consider the Scoping Report documents on the District Council website.

RESOLVED: *That Councillors send relevant comments to the Committee Clerk by Wednesday, 17 January for inclusion in a report to be submitted by the Town Clerk to Lichfield District Council.*

66 **RIGHTS OF WAY CONSULTATION**

Members considered correspondence from Staffordshire County Council regarding the response to the Rights of Way Consultation.

RESOLVED: *That the Town Clerk writes to Staffordshire County Council pursuing the matters relating to the Rights of Way.*

67 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

RESOLVED:

- 1 *That the decisions of Lichfield District Council on planning applications as listed on Agenda Appendix 'B' be received and noted.*
- 2 *That recommendations be submitted to Lichfield District Council in respect of planning applications as listed in Appendix 'A'.*
- 3 *That Wayne Mortiboys, Staffordshire County Council, be asked to attend a future Planning Meeting to speak to Councillors about school provision in Lichfield.*

68 **EASTERN AVENUE AND STAFFORD ROAD**

Members considered proposals for waiting restrictions on Eastern Avenue and Stafford Road near the entrance to the new Police Station.

RESOLVED: *That the Town Clerk writes to Staffordshire Highways opposing the proposals because the parking on Eastern Avenue is very restricted in time because it involves school children being dropped off in the morning and collected in the afternoon, and the proposal would merely move the traffic to areas less able to cope, such as Irving Close, Terry Close and Grange Lane. Also the restrictions on Stafford Road appear unnecessary and to restrict parking from 7am to 7pm Monday to Friday is excessive especially when the area under consideration includes several residential dwellings.*

69 **BROWNSFIELD ROAD**

Members considered proposals to prohibit waiting on an area of Brownsfield Road off Eastern Avenue.

RESOLVED: *That the Town Clerk writes to Staffordshire Highways supporting the proposals.*

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.40 PM

CHAIRMAN