

LICHFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Committee held in the Moulton Room, Guildhall, Lichfield,
at 6.30pm on Thursday, 26 July 2018

PRESENT: Councillor R Yardley (Chairman), and Councillors Mrs D Baker, C Ball, Mrs G Boyle, J Brooks, B Cocksey, I Eadie, J Grange, C Greateorex, Mrs J Greaves, P Hitchman, Mrs S James, Mrs A Lax, Miss J Marks, T Matthews, B McMullan, A Smith, and A Thompson

APOLOGIES: Councillors R Awty, B Bacon, Mrs N Bacon, D Dundas, Mrs J Eagland, D Leytham, C Spruce, Mrs L Warfield and M Warfield

18 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.

Councillor Mrs G Boyle declared an interest in Application No 18/00927/FUL and left the room during the discussion and voting thereon. Councillors C Greateorex and A Smith declared an interest in Application No L.18/05.

19 MINUTES

RESOLVED: *That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 June 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.*

20 LICENSING APPLICATIONS

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

RESOLVED: *That the Premises Licences be noted.*

21 TEMPORARY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER

Correspondence regarding a Temporary Road Traffic Regulation Order on the A38 was considered.

RESOLVED: *That the information be noted.*

22 LDC PLANNING PROTOCOL

The response from Lichfield District Council concerning Planning Protocol was considered.

RESOLVED: *That the Deputy Town Clerk writes to the Cabinet Member requesting an officer attends a City Council Planning Meeting to give details on the full protocol for planning decisions.*

23 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 *Members were informed of the District Council's Reasons for Approval of 18/00186/FUL and Refusal of 18/00731/FUL and 17/00772/OUTM which had been decided differently to the City Council recommendations.*

- 3 *That recommendations be submitted to Lichfield District Council in respect of planning applications as listed in Appendix 'A'.***

24 SOCIAL HOUSING

Councillor Ball expressed concerns at the lack of social housing being delivered currently in the city. Members put forward various points regarding housing provision, including the quality of housing, lack of bungalows and the need to replace social housing when purchased under 'Right To Buy'.

RESOLVED: That the Deputy Town Clerk produces a list of points to be considered by members prior to being sent to the Portfolio Holder at District Council.

25 FRIARSGATE

Councillor Ball suggested requesting a cross party working group in conjunction with the District Council to discuss proposals for the Friarsgate site. However, it was considered that the District Council would put forward the initial plans and consult the City Council on the proposals.

26 ST JOHN STREET RAILWAY BRIDGE

Further to Minute No 53 [Planning Meeting dated 9 November 2017] Councillor Mrs Boyle requested an update on the previously expressed concerns on the number of accidents at the railway bridge on St John Street. The City Council sent a letter to the County Council in November 2017 and has requested a response from Staffordshire Highways on several occasions but has not yet received a reply.

RESOLVED: That Councillor Greatorex be forwarded the relevant correspondence in order to pursue a reply from Staffordshire County Council on behalf of the City Council.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.30 PM

CHAIRMAN