

## SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on  
Wednesday, 3 February 2010 at 2.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Pippa Corney – Chairman  
Councillor Robert Turner – Vice-Chairman

Councillors:	Val Barrett	Trisha Bear
	Brian Burling	Janice Guest
	Sally Hatton	Sebastian Kindersley
	Mervyn Loynes	Charles Nightingale
	Deborah Roberts	Hazel Smith
	Peter Topping	John Williams

Officers in attendance for all or part of the meeting:

Nigel Blazeby (Team Leader (West)), Paul Derry (Senior Planning Assistant), Gary Duthie (Senior Lawyer), Saffron Garner (Senior Planning Assistant), Gareth Jones (Corporate Manager, Planning & Sustainable Communities), Ray McMurray (Principal Planning Officer (East)), Corrie Newell (Principal Conservation Officer), Karen Pell-Coggins (Senior Planning Assistant), Stephen Reid (Senior Planning Lawyer), Melissa Reynolds (Team Leader (East)), Ian Senior (Democratic Services Officer), Dan Smith (Planning Assistant) and Stacey Weiser-Jones (Historic Buildings Officer)

Councillors Richard Barrett, Francis Burkitt, Steve Harangozo, Robin Martlew and Nick Wright were in attendance, by invitation.

### 120. GENERAL DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Sebastian Kindersley declared a personal interest as a Cambridgeshire County Councillor, especially in relation to Minute no. 132 (Toft) because a number of villages within his electoral division of Gamlingay are within the catchment area of Comberton Village College.

### 121. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee authorised the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2010, subject to minute 110 (S/1418/09/F in Haslingfield) being amended to state that the scheme had been granted *delegated* approval subject to *additional detailing for plots 6-9*.

### 122. PLANNING ENFORCEMENT SUB-COMMITTEE

The Committee **noted** Councillor Janice Guest's resignation the Planning Enforcement Sub-Committee.

Councillor Charles Nightingale nominated Councillor Val Barrett as a member of the Planning Enforcement Sub-Committee. This was seconded by Councillor Sebastian Kindersley and, there being no further nominations from within the Conservative Group, it was **resolved** that Councillor Val Barrett be appointed to the Planning Enforcement Sub-Committee for the remainder of the municipal year 2009-10.

**123. S/1653/09/F - HARSTON (LAND TO THE SOUTH OF 37 CHURCH STREET) - WITHDRAWN**

Members noted that this application had been **withdrawn**.

**124. S/1319/08/F- SAWSTON (LINK ROAD)**

Upon the Chairman's casting vote, the Committee **resolved** to discharge Condition 26 of planning permission S/1319/08/F, subject to the completion of a Section 106 Legal Agreement securing ten units of affordable housing and a Nomination agreement to cover the remaining 12 units.

Councillors Sally Hatton and Deborah Roberts voted in favour of the continued application of Condition 26.

**125. S/1764/09/F - GULDEN MORDEN (46 FOX HILL ROAD) - WITHDRAWN**

Members noted that this application had been **withdrawn** from the agenda.

**126. S/1694/09/F - LITTLE SHELFORD (SYCAMORE HOUSE, 1 CHURCH STREET, LITTLE SHELFORD)**

Brenda Bishop (objector), Paul Belton (applicant's agent) and David Martin (Little Shelford Parish Council) addressed the meeting.

The Committee **refused** the application contrary to the recommendation in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities) and legal advice from the Senior Lawyer. Members agreed the reason for refusal as being the proposal's adverse impact on the street scene and Conservation Area.

**127. S/1719/09/F - WILLINGHAM (2 GREENACRES, MEADOW ROAD)**

The Committee **approved** the application for a temporary period up to 18 August 2012.

Councillor Deborah Roberts was absent from the Chamber during consideration of this item, took no part in the debate and did not vote.

**128. S/1720/09/F - WILLINGHAM (PLOT 5 LONGACRE, MEADOW ROAD)**

The Committee **approved** the application for a temporary period up to 18 August 2012.

Councillor Deborah Roberts was absent from the Chamber during consideration of this item, took no part in the debate and did not vote.

**129. S/1760/09/F - CASTLE CAMPS (AT LAND TO THE SOUTH OF FIELDE HOUSE, HAVERHILL ROAD)**

Councillor Richard Barrett (a local Member) addressed the meeting.

The Committee **deferred** the application for a site visit.

**130. S/1508/09/F & S/1509/09/LB - COTON (66 HIGH STREET)**

Nicola Anderson (applicant), Councillor Francis Burkitt (local member) and Fiona Whelan

(local County Councillor) addressed the meeting.

Prior to considering this application, the Committee attended a site visit on 3 February 2010. The Committee **approved** applications S/1508/09/F and S/1509/09/LB contrary to the recommendation in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities). Members agreed the reasons for approval as being that the proposal would not detract from the special character and appearance, or erode the historic plan and form, of the listed building. Despite the cumulative effect of the extensions, the original character of the rear elevation would not be lost and no harm would be caused by an additional extension. The proposal would not dominate the rear elevation of the property, either visually or physically. As such, it would not significantly or detrimentally change the appearance of the building. Design of the proposed extension and, in particular, the roof form, was not considered inappropriate or out of keeping with the simple character of the rear elevation. Members considered the proposal to be consistent with Policies CH/3 and CH/4 of the South Cambridgeshire Local Development Framework 2007 and not contrary to the advice in paragraph 3.4 of Planning Policy Guidance Note 15.

**131. S/1397/09/O - CALDECOTE (LAND TO THE EAST OF 18-28 HIGHFIELDS ROAD)**

Hugh Cousins (objector), Paul McCann (applicant's agent), Fiona Whelan (Caldecote Parish Council) and Councillor Robin Martlew (local Member) addressed the meeting. Prior to consideration of this item, Mr. Cousins presented a petition signed by local residents requesting that the [Committee] reconsiders the proposed number of dwellings for this development, seen by the petitioners to be too high for the chosen location.

The Committee gave officers **delegated powers** either to refuse the application or to present a further report to a future Planning Committee meeting with a recommendation of approval, subject to the resolution of the outstanding matters in relation to mix, viability and infrastructure provision.

**132. S/1524/09/F - TOFT (COMBERTON VILLAGE COLLEGE, WEST STREET)**

Richard Wells (objector), Ted Halford (Comberton Parish Council), Councillor Steve Harangozo (the Member for Comberton), Fiona Whelan (the local County Councillor) and Stephen Munday (the Principal of Comberton Village College) addressed the meeting.

Prior to considering this application, the Committee attended a site visit on 3 February 2010. The Committee gave officers **delegated powers to approve** the application subject to the provision of a minimum of 50 new car parking spaces on site, and subject to the Conditions referred to in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities).

Councillor Sebastian Kindersley declared a personal interest because a number of villages within his Cambridgeshire County Council electoral division of Gamlingay are within the catchment area of Comberton Village College.

**133. S/1510/09/F - FOXTON (59 FOWLMERE ROAD)**

Jacki Sharp (supporter) addressed the meeting.

Prior to considering this application, the Committee attended a site visit on 3 February 2010. The Committee **approved** the application subject to a Section 106 Legal Agreement controlling occupancy of the annexe and consequent deletion of Condition 4 in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities).

**134. APPEALS AGAINST PLANNING DECISIONS AND ENFORCEMENT ACTION AND APPEAL STATISTICS**

The Committee **noted** reports on Appeals against planning decisions and enforcement action, and appeal statistics.

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**The Meeting ended at 6.40 p.m.**

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