

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on
Wednesday, 6 May 2009 at 2.00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Mrs PS Corney – Chairman
Councillor RJ Turner – Vice-Chairman

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| Councillors: | RE Barrett | Mrs PM Bear |
| | BR Burling | TD Bygott |
| | Mrs JM Guest | SGM Kindersley |
| | MB Loynes | CR Nightingale |
| | Mrs DP Roberts | Mrs HM Smith |
| | JF 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), Brian Heffernan (Environmental Protection Team Leader), Gareth Jones (Corporate Manager, Planning & Sustainable Communities), Ray McMurray (Principal Planning Officer (East)), Melissa Reynolds (Team Leader (East)), David Rush (Development Control Manager) and Ian Senior (Democratic Services Officer)

Councillors Dr SA Harangozo, RB Martlew, MJ Mason and A Riley were in attendance, by invitation.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs SA Hatton and PW Topping.

156. GENERAL DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor SGM Kindersley declared a general personal interest as a Cambridgeshire County Councillor, particularly in respect of Minutes 162 (Cambridgeshire Guided Busway) and 163 (Barrington, a parish covered by his County Council electoral division of Gamlingay).

157. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee authorised the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 1 April 2009 subject to, in Minute no. 152 (Planning Sub-Committee – Future Arrangements), the replacement of the words "...settled and traveller communities..." with the words "...the public..." and to deletion of the word "those".

158. S/1749/06/O AND S/1703/06/HSC - DUXFORD (LAND OFF ICKLETON ROAD)

Dr James (objector), Ian Reid (on behalf of the applicant), Dr Barbara Fagg (Hinxtton Parish Council) and Councillor Tony Orgee (Member for the Abingtons) addressed the meeting in respect of the Draft Report on Public Health Risks prepared by Dr. James. Ian Reid and Councillor Orgee also addressed the meeting in respect of planning conditions and the Section 106 Legal Agreement.

The Committee noted its resolution of [9th January 2008 \(minute no. 144 refers\)](#) to approve the outline planning application and the hazardous substance consent application as amended by letter and plans date stamped 15 June 2007.

Copies of a letter dated 5 May 2009 from Richard Buxton (Environmental and Public Law – Cambridge) were distributed to Members, and the Chairman adjourned the meeting for a short time to enable them to consider its contents. Members also received expert advice from the Health and Safety Executive, Environment Agency and South Cambridgeshire District Council's Health Protection Team Leader. A proposal from Councillor Roberts, seconded by Councillor Nightingale, to defer the applications in order to seek independent third party advice about the associated risks was put to the Committee and defeated. The Committee **approved** each application subject to Conditions and, in relation to planning application S/1749/06/O, to the prior completion of a Section 106 Legal Agreement, substantially in those terms drafted in paragraphs 40 and 41 of the current report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities) and in Appendix 4 to that report, but with the deletion from the Section 106 Agreement of the Junction Safety Assessment and the addition to the Cycleway Contribution of the cost of the Junction Safety Assessment.

Councillor Janice Guest declared a personal interest because her husband, now retired, had been employed by Hexel and was in receipt of a pension from that company.

Councillor John Williams declared a personal interest because of his acquaintance with many residents in Duxford and by virtue of his familiarity with the chemical industry and toxicology acquired as part of his past career.

Councillor Deborah Roberts voted to refuse the applications.

159. S/0348/09/F - HISTON (LAND TO THE NORTH EAST OF 24 & 26 COTTENHAM ROAD)

Mr Bullen (objector), Chris Anderson (applicant's agent), [David Thurman](#) (Histon Parish Council) and Councillor Mike Mason (a local member) addressed the meeting.

The Committee **approved** the application subject to the Conditions referred to in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities) and an additional Condition requiring the submission of an acceptable scheme relating to off-site public open space.

160. S/0175/09/O - IMPINGTON (LAND TO THE SOUTH EAST OF ST GEORGES COURT)

Brian Ing (Impington Parish Council) and Councillor Mike Mason (a local member) addressed the meeting.

The Committee refused the application contrary to the recommendation in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities). Members agreed the reasons for refusal as being an unsustainable site and its failure to meet the criteria relating to exception sites for affordable housing as contained in Policy HG/5 of the South Cambridgeshire Local Development Framework 2007.

161. S/1968/08/F - HISTON (4 MOOR DROVE)

David Thurman (Histon Parish Council) and Councillor Mike Mason (a local member) addressed the meeting.

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

162. C/6/9/1A - CAMBRIDGESHIRE GUIDED BUSWAY (B1050 PARK AND RIDE JUNCTION AND LONGSTANTON PARK AND RIDE SITE)

Mrs Kides (objector), Bob Menzies (Cambridgeshire Guided Bus Team), Tim Tucker (Longstanton Parish Council) and Councillor Alex Riley (local Member) addressed the meeting.

The Committee **discharged** Condition 3(a)(iii) and (vi) relating to the design and external appearance of the B1050 Park and Ride junction and the Longstanton Park and Ride site in accordance with the amended drawings submitted by letters dated 23 February and 12 March 2009 and subject to final submission and approval of detailed landscaping for the screen planting on the east side of the B1050 and completion of the dedicated bus, foot and cycleway connections to Northstowe in accordance with an agreed timescale. Cambridgeshire County Council agreed to mark a 'Keep Clear' area adjacent to the property known as 'Southwell'.

163. S/0249/09/F - BARRINGTON (BARRINGTON HALL, HASLINGFIELD ROAD)

Mrs Fernandes (applicant) and Tony Fletcher (Barrington Parish Council) addressed the meeting.

The Committee **approved** the application, subject to the Conditions referred to in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities).

164. S/0213/09/F - NEWTON (NEWTON POST OFFICE, 11 HARSTON ROAD)

The Committee **approved** the application, as amended by drawing numbers BP.01.09/1208/001A and MG99183.2A date stamped 4 March 2009, subject to the Conditions referred to in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities).

165. S/1567/08/F - BASSINGBOURN-CUM-KNEESWORTH (76 OLD NORTH ROAD)

Mr. Roy Mitchell (objector) addressed the meeting.

Prior to considering this application, the Committee attended a site visit on 6 May 2009. The Committee **deferred** the application in order to further establish what is to be determined by the Local Planning Authority and the requirements of Cambridgeshire County Council, and to allow more time to identify potential planning conditions.

166. S/0215/09/F - TOFT (72 WEST STREET)

Dr. Richard Horne (applicant), Councillor Robin Martlew (local member) and Councillor Steve Harangozo (the Member for Comberton) addressed the meeting.

The Committee **approved** the application contrary to the recommendation in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities). Members agreed the reasons for approval as being the proposal's compliance with Policies HG/1 and DP/2 of the South Cambridgeshire Local Development Framework 2007 in that development of more than one dwelling would not be in keeping with the pattern and character of development along this side of West Street.

167. S/0235/09/F - FULBOURN (HALL FARM SCHOOL LANE)

Alison Hutchinson (applicant's agent) addressed the meeting.

The Committee **approved** the application subject to the Conditions referred to in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and Sustainable Communities).

168. APPEALS AGAINST PLANNING DECISIONS AND ENFORCEMENT ACTION

The Committee noted a report on Appeals against planning decisions and enforcement action, and a summary of decisions relating to

- Lancashire Industrial and Commercial Services Ltd – Certificate of Lawfulness to confirm that planning permission S/2103/01/F can be implemented in full – Milton Golf Course, Penfold Farm, Milton – Appeal allowed. Full award of costs against the Council allowed.
- Mr and Mrs J Sheridan - Change of use of land to a caravan site for four caravans and one mobile toilet unit, retention of the existing hardstanding and boundary walls/fences and gateway - Plot 16 Water Lane/9a Orchard Drive, Cottenham – Appeal dismissed

169. APPEAL STATISTICS

The Committee **noted** that an information report on Appeal statistics had been published on the Council's website.

The Meeting ended at 6.32 p.m.
