

SOUTH CAMBRIDGESHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on
Wednesday, 7 December 2011 at 10.00 a.m.

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

Councillors:	Val Barrett	Trisha Bear
	Brian Burling	Lynda Harford
	Tumi Hawkins	Caroline Hunt
	Sebastian Kindersley	Mervyn Loynes
	David McCraith	Charles Nightingale
	Deborah Roberts	Hazel Smith

Officers in attendance for all or part of the meeting:

Nigel Blazeby (Development Control Manager), Laura Clarke-Jones (Planning Assistant), Chris Collison (Interim Head of Planning), Paul Derry (Senior Planning Assistant), Gary Duthie (Senior Lawyer), Trevor Faulkner (Principal Planning Officer, Major Developments), John Koch (Planning Team Leader (West)), Ian Senior (Democratic Services Officer), Paul Sexton (Principal Planning Officer (West)), Dan Smith (Planning Officer) and Kate Wood (Planning Team Leader (East))

Councillors Nigel Cathcart, Alison Elcox, Steve Harangozo and Clayton Hudson were in attendance, by invitation.

114. GENERAL DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Sebastian Kindersley declared a personal interest as an elected Member of Cambridgeshire County Council, a statutory consultee for all planning applications on the agenda.

115. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Committee authorised the Chairman to sign, as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 November 2011.

116. S/2204/11 - BASSINGBOURN (104 NORTH END)

The Committee approved the application contrary to the recommendation in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and New Communities). Members agreed the reasons for approval as being that the tennis court had been moved further away from the tree belt, thus overcoming a previous reason for refusal, and the fact that they did not consider it to be detrimental to the countryside. Conditions would be attached to the Decision Notice as appropriate, and would cover landscaping and a requirement that upon cessation of use as a tennis court the land should be returned to agricultural use. The planning permission would also include an Informative making clear that any floodlighting would require a further planning application to be made.

Councillor David McCraith declared a personal and prejudicial Interest because he is married to the applicant. He withdrew from the Chamber, took no part in the debate and did not vote.

117. S/1927/09 - BASSINGBOURN (THE CEDARS, 34 SOUTH END)

Rupert Webb (objector) and Councillor Nigel Cathcart (a local Member) addressed the meeting.

The Committee **refused** the application for the reasons set out in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and New Communities) and because the design and scale of the proposed development would fail to preserve or enhance the character and appearance of the Conservation Area. In addition the proposal exceeds the number of dwellings identified as acceptable on a greenfield site in a Group Village in Policy ST/6 of the Core Strategy.

118. S/0353/11 - SHEPRETH (LAND BETWEEN 14 AND 16 ANGLE LANE)

Tony Green (objector) addressed the meeting.

Prior to considering this application, the Committee viewed the site on 6 December 2011. The Committee **approved** the application subject to the Conditions and Informatives referred to in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and New Communities).

119. S/1272/11 - BOURN (126 ALMS HILL)

Tristan Rees-Roberts (applicant's agent), Nigel Ball (Bourn Parish Council), and Councillor Clayton Hudson and Alison Elcox (local members) addressed the meeting.

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

120. S/1898/11/CM - CAMBOURNE & CAXTON (LAND TO THE WEST OF CAMBOURNE)

Peter James Bucklin (objector), Emma Walker (applicant's agent), Councillor Clayton Hudson (as Chairman of Cambourne Parish Council and as local member), and Councillor Alison Elcox (local member) addressed the meeting.

The Committee **resolved** to tell Cambridgeshire County Council that, when the County Council's Development Control Committee meets to make a decision about this application, it should take into account the fact that South Cambridgeshire District Council has no objection to the application for a secondary school on land west of Cambourne, subject to the issues and Conditions set out in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and New Communities) being satisfactorily addressed and imposed.

Councillor Sebastian Kindersley declared a personal interest as a member of Cambridgeshire County Council's Development Control Committee which would be responsible for determining the planning application.

121. S/0194/11 - COMBERTON (LAND R/O 25 GREEN END)

Councillor Steve Harangozo (local member) addressed the meeting.

Prior to considering this application, the Committee viewed the site on 6 December 2011. The Committee **approved** the application in accordance with the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and New Communities).

122. S/2013/11 - FULBOURN (WINDMILL ESTATE)

The Committee gave officers **delegated powers to approve** the application, so long as there were no new material concerns raised as a result of consultation responses still to be received, and subject to the conditions referred to in the report from the Corporate Manager (Planning and New Communities).

123. APPEALS AGAINST PLANNING DECISIONS AND ENFORCEMENT ACTION

The Committee **received and noted** a report on Appeals against planning decisions and enforcement action.

The Meeting ended at 11.50 a.m.
