

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on Wednesday, 21 August 2019 at 6.30pm in the Town Hall, Banbury.

Present: Councillor Ilott (Chairman)
Councillors: Beere, Bell, Clarke, Donaldson, Harrison, Ross, Woodcock.

Officers: Mark Recchia (Town Clerk)

PL.26/19

Apologies

Councillors Milne Home and Wren.

PL.27/19

Declarations of Interest

Councillors Beere and Clarke, declared personal interests as members of the Cherwell District Council planning committee and Councillors Woodcock and Ilott declared personal interests as alternate members. All indicated that any views expressed at the meeting would be based on the information currently available and that final decisions, which in the light of further information, might differ from previous views, and would be made at the Local Planning Authority Meeting.

Councillors Clarke and Ilott declared personal interests in Application Number 19/01478/CDC (36-37 Castle Quay) as CDC Executive Members (and in Cllr Clarke's case also a member of the CQ Advisory Group) and both left the meeting during the discussion and voting thereon. The Vice-Chairman, Councillor Harrison, took the chair for this item.

Councillors Clarke and Ilott and the Town Clerk declared personal interests in Application Number 19/01539/TCA (17 Middleton Rd) as they knew the applicant, and remained in the meeting during the discussion and voting thereon.

Councillor Clarke declared a personal interest in Application Numbers 19/01332/F and 19/01333/LB (Neithrop House), having had discussions with the applicant in his capacity as Chairman of the Town Council General Services Committee, due to its proximity to People's Park, and remained in the meeting during the discussion and voting thereon.

PL.28/19

Minutes of the Last Meeting

IT WAS RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 24 July 2019 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

PL.29/19

Planning Applications to be Considered

The Committee considered various planning applications that had been referred to the Town Council for consideration by Cherwell District Council (CDC) and were matters that had been delegated to the Planning Committee or where a Ward Member had referred a delegated application.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the comments, as set out in Appendix 1, be forwarded to the Local Planning Authority.

PL.30/19

Planning Applications Delegated to the Town Clerk

The Town Clerk had submitted a schedule containing details of planning applications which had been delegated to him in consultation with the Chairman, setting out the observations that had been forwarded to Cherwell District Council.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the report be noted.

PL.31/19

Decision Notices

The Committee were informed that there were two decision notices to be considered where the decision of the Planning Authority was contrary to the observations of the Town Council. These related to:

- Application Number 19/01028/F (Mr & Mrs Q Anwar, 100 Mold Crescent Banbury - Two storey, part single storey rear and side extensions with associated internal/external works); and
- Application Number 19/01099/F (Mr and Mrs D Cockle, 18 Nuffield Drive Banbury – Two storey side extension).

Both applications were refused when the town council had raised no objections.

IT WAS RESOLVED that the report be noted.

PL.32/19

Oxfordshire Permit Scheme Consultation

The Committee were informed that OCC were seeking views on the proposal to introduce a Permit Scheme designed to control the carrying out of relevant activities on the public highway. It replaced the “notice system” under the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991 “NRSWA” whereby Statutory Undertaker companies informed highway authorities of their intentions to carry out works in their areas.

Options were put before Oxfordshire County Council’s Member for Environment in April 2019, who supported a recommendation of developing a full permit scheme and applying permits to 100% of the network. It was considered that this would be best to meet the Council’s objectives in support of its network management duty.

The benefits to be derived from the operation of the Permit Scheme had been identified as:

- Improvements to overall network management
- Reduced congestion on the road network
- Improved journey time reliability, in particular for public transport
- A reduction in duration of works
- A reduction in cost pressures to businesses caused by delays
- Promotion of sustainable communities and businesses
- Promotion of a safer environment
- Reduced carbon emissions

IT WAS RESOLVED that Officers respond to this consultation supporting the proposals.

The meeting ended at 6.50 pm

Planning Applications considered by the Planning Committee

Application Number	Applicant	Location	Proposal	Observations
19/01254/F	Mr Denys Shortt	DCS Group Rear Pt Lxb Rp No 26 Oceans House Noral Way Banbury OX16 2AA	Relocation of existing loading canopy and replacement with "infill" warehouse between existing warehouses.	No objections.
19/01332/F	Mr Riasit Ali	Neithrop House Warwick Road Banbury	Taking down and rebuilding low wall to Bath Road and Warwick Road with addition of wrought iron railings.	No objections subject to suitable materials being used.
19/01333/LB	Mr Riasit Ali	Neithrop House Warwick Road Banbury	Taking down and rebuilding low wall to Bath Road and Warwick Road with addition of wrought iron railings.	No objections subject to suitable materials being used.
19/01478/CDC	Mr Chris Hipkiss	36-37 Castle Quay, Banbury, OX16 5UN	Change of use from A1 with ancillary A3, to a mixed-use offer (at the ground floor only); compromising use classes A1, A3, A4, A5, D1 and D2. New toilet provision for staff.	No objections but concerned to ensure adequate bin provision is made.
19/01539/TCA	Mr Nigel Yeadon	17 Middleton Road Banbury OX163QH	T1x Lime - Reduction of 50% all round as almost as tall as house and no light in garden.	No objections