

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE
8 JULY 2021

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY, 8 JULY 2021 AT 1100 HOURS IN THE LYTTLETON THEATRE, BMI, BIRMINGHAM

PRESENT: - Councillor Karen McCarthy in the Chair;

Councillors Mohammed Azim, Maureen Cornish, Diane Donaldson, Peter Griffiths, Mohammed Idrees, Julie Johnson, Gareth Moore, Dominic Stanford, Martin Straker Welds and Saima Suleman. .

INTRODUCTION

- 7975 The Chair notified the Committee, that this was a quasi-judicial meeting and no decisions had been made in advance of the meeting. She highlighted Members who sat on this Committee were sitting as representatives of the Council as a whole and not Ward Councillors.

NOTICE OF RECORDING

- 7976 The Chair advised, and the Committee noted, that the meeting would be webcast for live or subsequent broadcast via the Council's YouTube channel (www.youtube.com/channel/UCT2kT7ZRPFCXq6_5dnVnYlw) and members of the press/public could record and take photographs except where there were confidential or exempt items.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 7977 The Chair reminded Members that they must declare all relevant pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting. If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared, a Member must not speak or take part in that agenda item. Any declarations will be recorded in the Minutes of the meeting. The Chair noted that Members should also express an interest if they had expressed a view on any of the applications being considered at the meeting and take no part in the consideration of the item.

APOLOGIES

- 7978 Apologies were submitted on behalf of Councillors, Bob Beauchamp, Saddak Miah, Kath Scott and Mike Ward for their inability to attend the meeting.

CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 7979 The Chair advised that meetings were scheduled to take place on the 22 July 2021, 5 August, 19 August 2021 at the Birmingham Midland Institute and details would be circulated to Members in due course.
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MINUTES

- 7980 The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 24 June 2021 having been circulated, were confirmed by the Committee and signed by the Chair.
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The business of the meeting and all discussions in relation to individual planning applications including issues raised by objectors and supporters thereof was available for public inspection via the web-stream.

REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR, INCLUSIVE GROWTH (ACTING)

The following reports were submitted:

(See Document No. 1)

The Chair indicated that there was public speaking in respect of agenda item No. 6. but she would move to Item 7 on the agenda as the speaker had not arrived yet.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE NORTH WEST AREA

REPORT NO. 7 – 6 FARNCOTE DRIVE AND LAND R/O 38 & 40 WALSALL ROAD, SUTTON COLDFIELD, BIRMINGHAM, B74 4QS, - 2021/01179/PA

The Area Planning Manager (North West) confirmed that there were no updates.

Members commented on the application and the Area Planning Manager (North West) and the Transport Manager responded accordingly.

Upon being put to a vote it was 7 in favour, 3 against and 0 abstention.

- 7981 **RESOLVED:** -

That planning permission be granted subject to the conditions set out in the report.

REPORT NO. 6 - 109 GROVE LANE, HANDSWORTH, BIRMINGHAM, B21 9HF - 2020/03975/PA

The Area Planning Manager (North West) confirmed that there were no updates.

Members commented on the application and the Area Planning Manager (North West) and Interim Assistant Director for Planning responded accordingly.

Upon being put to a vote it was 7 in favour, 3 against and 0 abstention.

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RESOLVED: -

That planning permission be granted subject to the conditions set out in the report.

POLICY REPORT

REPORT NO. 8 - REVISIONS TO THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION

The following report were submitted:

(See Document No. 2)

The Interim Assistant Director (Planning) made introductory comments relating to the report.

Members commented and the Interim Assistant Director (Planning) responded accordingly indicating that in relation to the comments at (g) in the appendix he was comfortable for the wording to change from 'there are only a limited number of objections' to "the number of 3rd party objections is not substantial." Referring the second bullet point in (M) he indicated that the word 'independent' should be inserted before the word 'viability'.

Those amendments were agreed.

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RESOLVED: -

That it be noted that the Scheme of Sub-Delegations will be amended as set out in Appendix 1 with the changes set out in the forgoing preamble.

OTHER URGENT BUSINESS

The Chair was of the opinion that the following matter could be considered as a matter of urgency:-

Student Accommodation Supply and Demand Report

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The Chair is to follow up the Student Accommodation Report for Councillor Moore for the next meeting.

AUTHORITY TO CHAIR AND OFFICERS

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RESOLVED: -

That in an urgent situation between meetings the Chair, jointly with the relevant Chief Officer, has authority to act on behalf of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 1144 hours.

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CHAIR