

# BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

**PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**6 APRIL 2023**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON**  
**THURSDAY, 6 APRIL 2023 AT 1100 HOURS IN COMMITTEE ROOMS 3 & 4,**  
**COUNCIL HOUSE, BIRMINGHAM**

**PRESENT:** - Councillor Martin Brooks in the Chair.

Councillors Akhlaq Ahmed, Jack Deakin, Jane Jones, Mahmood Hussain, Shehla Moledina, Lee Marsham, Gareth Moore, Rick Payne and Colin Green.

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**INTRODUCTIONS**

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

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**NOTICE OF RECORDING**

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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](http://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.

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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The Members are reminded they must declare all relevant pecuniary and other registerable interests arising from any business to be discussed at this meeting.

If a disclosable pecuniary interest is declared a Member must not participate in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless they have been granted a dispensation.

If other registerable interests are declared a Member may speak on the matter only if members of the public are allowed to speak at the meeting but otherwise must not take part in any discussion or vote on the matter and must not remain in the room unless they have been granted a dispensation.

If it is a 'sensitive interest', Members do not have to disclose the nature of the interest, just that they have an interest.

Information on the Local Government Association's Model Councillor Code of Conduct is set out via <http://bit.ly/3WtGQnN>. This includes, at Appendix 1, an interests flowchart which provides a simple guide to declaring interests at meetings.

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**APOLOGIES**

8144 Councillors David Barrie and Mumtaz Hussain.

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**CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

8145 The Chair started the agenda with Items 7 and 8 as the objectors for Item 6 did not arrive on time.

Councillor Marsham stated that he previously met with the owners of Star City several months ago in his capacity as an award councillor.

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**MINUTES**

8146 The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 and 16<sup>th</sup> March 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 OF PLANNING, TRANSPORT AND SUSTAINABILITY**

The following reports were submitted:

(See Document No. 1)

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**PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE NORTH WEST AREA**

**REPORT NO. 7 - STAR CITY, 32 WATSON ROAD, NECHELLS, BIRMINGHAM, B7 5SA- 2022/09002/PA**

The Principal Planning Officer (North West) confirmed the following updates:

- Classes E(g) iii, B2 and B8 referenced in the headline of the report and in the description is explained for clarity-Class E(g) iii is for uses which can be carried out in a residential area without detriment to its amenity and cover, specifically industrial processes. Use Class B2 is for general industrial processes other than one falling within class E(g) iii but excludes incineration and purposes chemical treatment, landfill or hazardous waste and use Class B for storage and distribution uses.

- With reference to the objection set out in Paragraph 5.2, this has been fully reviewed by Transportation. The application and the supporting assessment makes no reliance on the use of the private road through the adjoining industrial park nor do the modelling assumptions. All assessments are based on the access and degree of egress to the proposal used by the Highway Network and an Informative is recommended to remind future owners and occupiers there is no right of access over Jarvis Way.

Members commented on the application and the Area Planning Manager (City Centre) responded thereto.

Upon being put to a vote it was 10 in favour, 0 against and 0 abstentions.

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**RESOLVED:** -

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

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**PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE CITY CENTRE**

**REPORT NO. 8 - 75-79 LANCASTER STREET, CITY CENTRE, BIRMINGHAM, B4 7AT- 2022/07984/PA**

The Principal Planning Officer (City Centre) confirmed there were no updates.

Members commented on the application about the height of the tower and the Principal Planning Officer (City Centre) responded thereto.

Upon being put to a vote it was 10 in favour, 0 against and 0 abstention.

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**RESOLVED:** -

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

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**PLANNING APPLICATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE SOUTH AREA**

**REPORT NO. 6 - THE IRISH CENTRE BIRMINGHAM, 205 WHEELERS LANE, KINGS HEATH, BIRMINGHAM, B13 0ST- 2021/03467/PA**

The Chair confirmed that there would be no public speaking on this item as the objectors did not attend the meeting.

Principal Planning Officer (South Area) confirmed the following updates:

- Received updated comments from lead Local Flood Authority who have removed all objections from the application subject to the inclusion of two pre-commencement conditions which would be for a scheme of sustainable drainage which would be input under condition 27 on the report.

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- The second condition is a scheme of sustainable drainage operation management which will look at the ongoing maintenance and adoption. This would be put on the report for condition 28, these conditions have been looked at by the applicants broadly in support of those being of attached.
- There is a typo in paragraph 7.27 which specifies that there is an oversupply of car parking by 49 car parking spaces but this is actually a typo as it is supposed to be 37.

Members commented on the application and the Principal Planning Officer (South Area) responded thereto.

Upon being put to a vote it was 10 in favour, 0 against and 0 abstention.

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### **RESOLVED: -**

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

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### **OTHER URGENT BUSINESS**

None submitted

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### **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.

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### **AUTHORITY TO THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR (PLANNING):**

If a Planning Committee meeting(s) are unable to be held in person and/or cancelled, the Assistant Director (Planning), in consultation with the Planning Committee, has authority to determine planning applications that would otherwise have been considered by the Committee.

The meeting ended 1117 hours.

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CHAIR