Planning Committee

Thursday 16 October, 2008

PRESENT:

Councillor Lock, in the Chair. Councillor Mrs. Bowyer, Vice Chair. Councillors Browne, Mrs. Dolan, M. Foster, Mrs. Foster, McDonald (substitute for Councillor Stevens), Nicholson, Rennie (substitute for Councillor Lowry), Mrs. Stephens, Wheeler and Wildy.

Apologies for absence: Councillors Lowry and Stevens.

The meeting started at 2.30 p.m. and finished at 5.10 p.m.

49. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were made in accordance with the Code of Conduct in relation to items under discussion at this meeting –

Name	Minute No. and Subject	Reason	Interest
Councillor Browne	6.1 Old Convent of Notre Dame, 119 Looseleigh Lane, Derriford, Plymouth 08/00159/OUT	Ward Member	Personal
Councillor Wheeler	6.9 Victoria Wharf, Breakwater Hill, Plymouth 08/01545/FUL	Member of Cattewater Harbour Commission	Personal
Councillor Mrs. Dolan	6.10 Stoke Damerel Community College, Somerset Place, Plymouth 08/00984/FUL	Ward Member	Personal

50. MINUTES

 $\underline{\text{Resolved}}$ that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 September, 2008, be confirmed as a correct record.

51. CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS

Announcements

The Chair made announcements on the following matters -

(i) approaching Members of the Committee during the meeting:

reference was made to an incident which occurred at the last meeting whereby the Chair had asked someone who had approached a Member of the Committee to leave the room. This person had been an officer of the City Council passing on a message and the Chair had since spoken to the officer and apologized. It had, however, raised an important point about how this may impact upon public perception of the conduct of the meeting and bring into question the validity of decisions being made. For this reason, the Chair asked all Members to refrain from requesting information or messages being passed to them during the meeting unless urgent, in which case they should be relayed through him. In any other situation Members were advised to leave the room but remain mindful of their right to vote (or not) on an application should they miss any part of the debate;

(ii) Planning Committee format and set-up:

as part of the review of the Code of Good Practice for Planning, the Chair drew the public's attention to the customer feedback forms which had been placed around the Council Chamber and stated that comments on the Planning Committee process and set-up would very much be welcomed to help inform this review.

With regard to (ii) above, Councillor Wildy responded that she hoped Members would be included in this consultation as she was sure they would have a view on the new set-up. She commented that, in her personal opinion, the Chair should not be sitting where only the Lord Mayor had earned the right to do so.

The Chair undertook to give further consideration to the matter of the seating arrangements and report back to the next meeting.

(In accordance with Section 100(B)(4)(b) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the Chair brought forward the above item for consideration because of the need to consult and inform Members).

52. QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

There were no questions from members of the public.

53. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

is permanently retained.

The Committee considered the following planning applications, development proposals by local authorities and statutory consultations submitted under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1990, and the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act, 1990.

Addendum reports were circulated in respect of minute numbers 53.5, 53.10 and 53.13.

53.1 OLD CONVENT OF NOTRE DAME, 119 LOOSELEIGH LANE, DERRIFORD, PLYMOUTH 08/00159/OUT
(Veeda Clinical Research Ltd.)
Decision:
Application: MINDED to grant, Defer for signing of S106, Delegated authority to refuse if S106 negotiations not satisfactorily concluded.

(At the invitation of the Chair, the Committee heard from Councillor Thompson, Ward Members, speaking against the application).

(At the invitation of the Chair, the Committee heard from the applicant's agent).

(At the invitation of the Chair, the Committee heard representations against the application).

(Councillor Browne declared a personal interest in respect of the above item).

53.2 DRIFT COTTAGE, BORINGDON ROAD, TURNCHAPEL, PLYMOUTH 08/00744/FUL (Mrs. Suzanne Wixey) Decision: Application **DEFERRED** for consultation period for amended plans.

53.3 ESTOVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE, MILLER WAY, ESTOVER, PLYMOUTH 08/01698/FUL (Plymouth City Council Children's Services Department) Decision:
Application **GRANTED** conditionally, subject to an additional Condition (19) – The proposed new buildings shall not be occupied in their entirety until the associated community uses have been provided. Henceforth, the buildings shall only be occupied in conjunction with the associated community uses. Reason – To ensure that the community school, character of the development

53.4 BEDFORD VILLAS, AMITY PLACE, PLYMOUTH 08/01289/FUL (Bedford Villas Developments Ltd.) Decision: Application **DEFERRED** for a site visit.

(Councillor Wildy's proposal, having been seconded by Councillor Mrs. Bowyer, was put to the vote and declared carried).

53.5 FORMER HAXBY SITE, PLUMER ROAD, PLYMOUTH 08/01077/FUL (Farmfoods Ltd.) Decision: Application **GRANTED** conditionally, including additional conditions from the addendum report.

(At the invitation of the Chair, the Committee heard from the applicant).

 53.6 PEACOCK MEADOW, NEWNHAM ROAD, PLYMPTON, PLYMOUTH 08/00857/FUL (Colebrook Community Association) Decision:
Application **GRANTED** conditionally, subject to the replacement of Condition 1 with a 2-year consent and inclusion of Site Management Plan within Condition 2.

(<u>At the invitation of the Chair, the Committee heard from Councillor Mrs. Leaves, Ward Member,</u> speaking in support of the application).

(At the invitation of the Chair, the Committee heard from the applicant).

(Councillor Nicholson's proposal, having been seconded by Councillor Wildy, was put to the vote and declared carried).

53.7 WIDEY COURT PRIMARY SCHOOL, WIDEY LANE, CROWNHILL, PLYMOUTH 08/01433/FUL (Plymouth City Council)

Decision:

Application **GRANTED** conditionally, subject to detail of Condition 5 being delegated to Chair, Vice and Shadow.

(At the invitation of the Chair, the Committee heard from Councillor Bowyer, Ward Member, speaking against the application).

(At the invitation of the Chair, the Committee heard representations against the application).

(Councillor Nicholson's proposal, having been seconded by Councillor Mrs. Foster, was put to the vote and declared carried).

- 53.8 UNIT A, COYPOOL ROAD, PLYMOUTH 08/01497/FUL (Mr. David Rodwell) Decision: Application **GRANTED** conditionally.
- 53.9 VICTORIA WHARF, BREAKWATER HILL, PLYMOUTH 08/01545/FUL (Victoria Group Ltd.) Decision: Application **GRANTED** conditionally.

(Councillor Wheeler declared a personal interest in respect of the above item).

53.10 STOKE DAMEREL COMMUNITY COLLEGE, SOMERSET PLACE, PLYMOUTH 08/00984/FUL (Plymouth City Council) Decision: Application GRANTED conditionally.

(Councillor Mrs. Dolan declared a personal interest in respect of the above item).

- 53.11 COOMBE DEAN SCHOOL, CHARNHILL WAY, ELBURTON, PLYMOUTH 08/01508/FUL (Coombe Dean School) Decision: Application **GRANTED** conditionally.
- 53.12 DERRIFORD HOSPITAL, DERRIFORD ROAD, DERRIFORD, PLYMOUTH 08/01361/FUL (Mr. J. Culham) Decision: Application **GRANTED** conditionally.
- 53.13 STONEMASONS ARMS, 142 ALBERT ROAD, DEVONPORT, PLYMOUTH 08/00816/REM (Crisplane Ltd.) Decision: Application **GRANTED** conditionally.
- 53.14 TESCO STORES, WOOLWELL CRESCENT, WOOLWELL, PLYMOUTH 08/01536/FUL (Tesco Stores Ltd.) Decision: Application **GRANTED** conditionally.
- 53.15 44 TREWITHY DRIVE, CROWNHILL, PLYMOUTH 08/01455/FUL (Mr. A. Crocker) Decision: Application **GRANTED** conditionally.
- 53.16 17 MOLESWORTH ROAD, PLYMPTON, PLYMOUTH 08/01413/FUL (Mr. Dan Coles) Decision: Application **REFUSED**.
- 53.17 2 KITTER DRIVE, PLYMSTOCK, PLYMOUTH 08/01322/FUL (Mr. Barry Foster) Decision: Application **GRANTED** conditionally.

Members queried whether this type of application would require permission under the new legislation and stated that a briefing on the new legislation from officers would be welcomed.

 53.18 PLYMSTOCK SENIOR SCHOOL, 29 CHURCH ROAD, PLYMSTOCK, PLYMOUTH 08/01396/FUL (Plymstock School) Decision: Application GRANTED conditionally.

54. PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS ISSUED

The Committee received a report of the Assistant Director of Development (Planning and Regeneration) on decisions issued for the period 8 September to 6 October, 2008, including –

- Committee decisions
- Delegated decisions, subject to conditions where so indicated
- Applications withdrawn
- Applications returned as invalid

<u>Resolved</u> that the report be noted.

55. APPEAL DECISIONS

The Committee received a schedule of decisions made by the Planning Inspectorate on appeals arising from the decisions of the City Council.

<u>Resolved</u> that the report be noted.

56. **EXEMPT BUSINESS**

There were no items of exempt business.

VOTING SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE

A SCHEDULE OF VOTING RELATING TO THE MEETING IS ATTACHED AS A SUPPLEMENT TO THESE MINUTES