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Planning Committee

Thursday 23 April 2015

PRESENT:

Councillor Stevens, in the Chair.

Councillor Tuohy, Vice-Chair.

Councillors Mrs Bowyer, Darcy, Sam Davey, K Foster, Mrs Foster, Jarvis, McDonald, Nicholson, John Smith (substitute for Councillor Kate Taylor), Stark and Jon Taylor.

Apology for absence: Councillor Kate Taylor.

Also in attendance: Peter Ford, Lead Planning Officer, Mark Lawrence, Lawyer, and Katey Johns, Democratic Support Officer.

The meeting started at 4 pm and finished at 6.45 pm.

Note: At a future meeting, the committee will consider the accuracy of these draft minutes, so they may be subject to change. Please check the minutes of that meeting to confirm whether these minutes have been amended.

108. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

In accordance with the code of conduct, the following declaration of interest was made in regard to an item under consideration at this meeting –

Name	Minute No. & Item	Reason	Interest
Councillor John Smith	113.1 - Bretonside Bus Station, Bretonside, Plymouth 15/00159/FUL	Taxi Driver	Personal

109. MINUTES

Agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 9 April 2015.

CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS

110. Annual Performance Overview

As it was the last Planning Committee meeting of the municipal year, the Chair provided a brief overview of performance over the last year particularly relating to –

(a) Development Value

The Committee had approved £800m of major development, £500m of

which had either been completed or was under way, with a further £311m of potential development permissions in the pipeline. Given the unfavourable economic climate, this achievement and its benefit for the City was to be celebrated;

(b) **Application Considerations**

90% of major and 90% of minor applications had been dealt with within statutory targets which was an excellent achievement for which officers should be congratulated.

111. **Vote of Thanks - Councillors John Smith and Stark**

Councillor Nicholson drew attention to the fact that both Councillors Stark and John Smith would soon be retiring and this would be their last meeting as serving members of the Council. He asked the Committee to join him in thanking them for their service, particularly Councillor Stark who had personally accumulated over 50 years' service as an elected member.

The Chair echoed Councillor Nicholson's comments and added that with regard to Councillor Stark many years of valuable knowledge and experience would be lost. On behalf of the Committee he passed on his very good wishes for the future to both Councillors in their retirement.

112. **QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no questions from members of the public.

113. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

The Committee considered the following applications, development proposals by local authorities and statutory consultations submitted under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1990, and the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservations Areas) Act, 1990. Addendum reports were submitted in respect of minute numbers 113.1 and 113.3.

**113.1 BRETONSIDE BUS STATION, BRETONSIDE, PLYMOUTH
15/00159/FUL**

Drake Circus Leisure

Decision:

Application **GRANTED** conditionally subject to S106 Obligation, with delegated authority to the Assistant Director for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure to refuse if S106 not signed by the target date (14 May 2015) or through an agreed extension of time, as set out in the officer's report and the addendum report.

(The Committee heard representations in support of the application).

(A Planning Committee site visit was held on 21 April
in respect of this application).

113.2 FORMER PLYMOUTH COLLEGE, HARTLEY ROAD, PLYMOUTH 14/02196/FUL

Mr Kevin Briscoe

Decision:

Application **GRANTED** conditionally, subject to an amendment to condition 11 (GRAMPIAN CONDITION: PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS TO HARTLEY ROAD) so that it is a pre-commencement condition to prevent any development commencing until such time as a protective pedestrian route along Hartley Road is agreed in consultation with the Compton Ward Councillors.

(The Committee heard representations from Councillor Dr Mahony, ward member, speaking against the application).

(The Committee heard representations in support of the application).

(Councillor Nicholson's proposal to defer the application to seek assurances over provision of the footpath, having been seconded by Councillor Mrs Bowyer, was put to the vote and declared lost).

(A brief adjournment of the meeting took place during consideration of this item in order for officers to enquire whether the applicant would be willing to accept an additional pre-commencement condition relating to provision of a footpath).

(Councillor Stark's proposal to include an additional pre-commencement condition relating to the provision of the footpath, having been seconded by Councillor Stevens was put to the vote and declared carried).

113.3 SOUTHVIEW, WOODSIDE, PLYMOUTH 15/00431/FUL

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Decision

Application **GRANTED** conditionally.

(The Committee heard representations from Councillor Ricketts, ward member, speaking against the application).

(The Committee heard representations against the application).

(The Committee heard representations in support of the application).

(A Planning Committee site visit was held on 21 April in respect of this application).

114. PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS ISSUED

The Committee noted the report from the Assistant Director for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure on decisions issued for the period 28 March to 12 April, 2015.

115. **APPEAL DECISIONS**

The Committee noted the schedule of appeal decisions made by the Planning Inspectorate.

116. **EXEMPT BUSINESS**

There were no items of exempt business.

SCHEDULE OF VOTING

*****PLEASE NOTE*****

A schedule of voting relating to the meeting is attached as a supplement to these minutes.

PLANNING COMMITTEE – 23 April 2015

SCHEDULE OF VOTING

Minute number and Application		Voting for	Voting against	Abstained	Absent due to interest declared	Absent
6.1	Bretonside Bus Station, Bretonside, Plymouth 15/00159/FUL Officer Recommendation	Councillors Stevens, Tuohy, Sam Davey, Jarvis, McDonald, John Smith and Jon Taylor.		Councillors Mrs Bowyer, Darcy, K Foster, Mrs Foster, Nicholson and Stark.		
6.2	Former Plymouth College, Hartley Road, Plymouth 14/02196/FUL 1. Proposal to Defer 2. Proposal regarding Pre-Commencement Condition relating to footpath provision 3. Officer Recommendation, to include 2. above	Councillors Mrs Bowyer, Darcy, K Foster, Mrs Foster, Nicholson and Stark. Unanimous Councillors Stevens, Tuohy, Sam Davey, Jarvis, McDonald, John Smith and Jon Taylor.	Councillors Stevens, Tuohy, Sam Davey, Jarvis, McDonald, John Smith and Jon Taylor. Councillors Mrs Bowyer, Darcy, K Foster, Mrs Foster and Nicholson.	Councillor Stark.		
6.3	Southview, Woodside, Plymouth 15/00431/FUL Officer Recommendation	Councillors Stevens, Tuohy, Sam Davey, Jarvis, McDonald, John Smith and Jon Taylor.	Councillors Mrs Bowyer, Darcy, K Foster, Mrs Foster, Nicholson and Stark.			

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