

## Planning Committee

Thursday 11 March 2021

### PRESENT:

Councillor Stevens, in the Chair.

Councillor Tuohy, Vice Chair.

Councillors Allen, Mrs Bridgeman, Corvid, Sam Davey, Derrick (substituting for Councillor Winter), Michael Leaves, Nicholson, Mrs Pengelly, Rebecca Smith, Tuffin and Vincent.

Apologies for absence: Councillor Winter

Also in attendance: Peter Ford (Head of Development Management, Strategic Planning and Infrastructure), Julie Parkin (Senior Lawyer), Natalie Gloyn (Lawyer), Jane Turner (Natural Infrastructure Officer), Mike Stone (Planning Officer), Ben Wilcox (Planning Officer) and Amelia Boulter (Democratic Advisor).

The meeting started at 10.00 am and finished at 4.45 pm.

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#### 100. **Declarations of Interest**

The following declarations of interest were made in accordance with the code of conduct.

Name	Minute	Reason	Interest
Councillor Nicholson	106	Employed by Babcock International.	Private

#### 101. **Minutes**

Agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2021.

#### 102. **Chair's Urgent Business**

There were no items of Chair's urgent business.

#### 103. **Questions from Members of the Public**

There were no questions from members of the public.

104. **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.

105. **TPO 532 54 Harwood Avenue**

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Decision:

Confirmed TPO 532 without modification.

(The Committee heard from Simon Garner in support of the application).

(A virtual site visit took place on 10 March 2021 in respect of this item).

106. **186 -190 Keyham Road, Plymouth, PL2 1RD - 20/02031/S73**

Liam Lynch

Decision:

Application GRANTED conditionally.

(A virtual site visit took place on 10 March 2021 in respect of this item).

(Councillor Nicholson declared an interest and took no part in the debate or vote).

107. **Planning Enforcement**

The Planning Officer reported that they were experiencing high numbers of enforcement cases. They had closed 47 cases last month and so far this year had received 108 cases.

The Chair thanked the team for this vital arm of the planning service.

Members raised concerns in connection with the high level of cases received and whether it would be beneficial to provide information to the public to assist with improving understanding of what may constitute a planning contravention. It was agreed that the Chair of Planning, Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure, relevant Planning Officers and the Communications Team would consider and prepare some information on what is permitted development in planning to assist with educating the wider public.

108. **Planning Application Decisions Issued**

The Committee noted the report from the Service Director for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure on decisions issued since the last meeting.

109. **Appeal Decisions**

The Head of Development Management, Strategic Planning and Infrastructure reported on the appeal decisions made by the Planning Inspectorate.

- The Former Broadreach Site the appeal dismissed. The applicant offered an off site financial contribution to mitigate the lack of policy compliant on site affordable housing, justified through a viability appraisal. However the Inspector agreed with the Planning Authority's view that this did not provide sufficient mitigation and the appeal was dismissed on this and other planning grounds.
- 6 Billacombe Villas the appeal allowed with conditions. The inspector accepted the applicant's view that preventing the use of an annex from being used as a separate dwelling could be achieved through a planning condition.

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