

Planning Committee

Thursday 28 June 2012

PRESENT:

Councillor Stevens, in the Chair.

Councillor Tuohy, Vice Chair.

Councillors Mrs Aspinall (substitute for Councillor J Smith), Bowie (substitute for Councillor S Davey), Mrs Bowyer, Darcy, Mrs Foster, Nicholson, Mrs Nicholson (substitute for Councillor Stark), Jon Taylor, Vincent and Wheeler.

Apologies for absence: Councillors Sam Davey, John Smith and Stark.

Also in attendance: Ray Williams – Lead Planning Officer, Julie Rundle – Lawyer and Ross Johnston– Democratic Support Officer.

The meeting started at 5pm and finished at 7.55pm.

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.

10. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Name	Minute No. and Subject	Reason	Interest
Councillor Nicholson	14.2 Pottery Quay, Pottery Road, Plymouth. 12/00116/FUL	Employed by Babcock International Group	Personal
Councillor Wheeler	14.2 Pottery Quay, Pottery Road, Plymouth. 12/00116/FUL	Member of the Tamar Bridge and Torpoint Ferry Joint Committee.	Personal
Councillor Bowyer	14.4 Dorsmouth, Drunken Bridge Hill, Plymouth. 12/00778/FUL	Knows the applicant.	Personal
Councillor Foster	14.4 Dorsmouth, Drunken Bridge Hill, Plymouth. 12/00778/FUL	Applicant was a former colleague.	Personal

Councillor Nicholson	14.4 Dorsmouth, Drunken Bridge Hill, Plymouth. 12/00778/FUL	Applicant was a former ward colleague.	Personal
Councillor Stevens	14.4 Dorsmouth, Drunken Bridge Hill, Plymouth. 12/00778/FUL	Knows the applicant.	Personal

11. **MINUTES**

Agreed the minutes of the meeting held on 31 May 2012.

12. **CHAIR'S URGENT BUSINESS**

Retrospective Planning Applications

The Chair informed members that the new provisions in the Localism Act now allowed the Planning Authority the power to refuse to register a retrospective planning application. Therefore, applications that have had an enforcement notice served upon them will not be registered onto the planning system unless there are extenuating circumstances which will be agreed by the Assistant Director for Planning Services in consultation with Councillor Stevens, Chair and Councillor Tuohy, Vice-Chair.

Notice of Planning Applications

The Chair informed members that following complaints to the Planning Authority about the location of site notices, ward members would now have a greater involvement in the consultation of planning applications. In an attempt to correct this issue ward members would now be informed which streets would be targeted for householder letters and the location of site notices.

Public Speaking

The Chair informed the Committee that a speaker requesting to speak on application 14.3 Pottery Quay, Pottery Road, Plymouth – 12/00116/FUL, had been refused the opportunity to speak due to the request being after the deadline and when the public speaking register had closed. In response to the refusal for inclusion on the public speaking register he would be raising the issue of amending the public speaking rules at the next meeting of the Constitutional Working Group.

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

There were no questions from members of the public.

14. **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 Conservation Areas) Act, 1990. Addendum reports were submitted in respect of minute numbers 14.2 and 14.4.

14.1 7 & 9, SEATON AVENUE, PLYMOUTH. 12/00676/FUL

(Brunswick Limited)

Decision:

Application **REFUSED** as deemed contrary to the following core strategy policies –

CS01 – in respect to not support a sustainable linked community;

CS22 – in respect to causing unacceptable noise, nuisance of light pollution;

CS34 – in respect to detailed neighbour considerations.

(The Committee heard representations against the application from Councillor Ball and Councillor Fry, ward members).

(The Committee heard representations against the application).

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

(Councillor Nicholson's proposal to refuse the application, on the reasons as stated above, having been seconded by Councillor Stevens, was put to the vote and declared carried).

14.2 POTTERY QUAY, POTTERY ROAD, PLYMOUTH. 12/00116/FUL

(Hadley Property Group)

Decision:

Application **GRANTED** conditionally subject to a S106 obligation, with delegated authority to refuse in the event that the S106 Obligation is not completed by 28 September 2012.

The case officer presented an Addendum Report detailing the actions taken since the Committee meeting on 28 June 2012, when the application was deferred for negotiation.

(The Committee heard representations against the application from Councillor K Taylor, ward member).

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

(Councillors Nicholson and Wheeler declared a personal interest on the above item).

**I4.3 LAMBSPARK CARE HOME, 38 MERAFIELD ROAD, PLYMOUTH.
I2/00511/FUL**

(Mr D Wraighte)

Decision:

Application **GRANTED** conditionally, subject to the inclusion of an additional condition relating to public safety improvements –

Condition: The development hereby permitted shall not be brought into use until the developer has initiated processes for the introduction of public safety improvements in the form of a Traffic Regulation Order and associated measures to control indiscriminate and hazardous car parking on the street in Merafield Road in the vicinity of the application site; the extent of which shall be initially agreed in writing with the Local Planning Authority and shall be subject to further public consultation. A written description of the measures taken by the developer to initiate the processes leading to the introduction of the said safety improvements shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority before the development is brought into use.

Reason: In the interest of public and highway safety.

(The Committee heard representations against the application from Councillor Mrs Beer, ward member).

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

(Councillor Nicholson's proposal to include an additional condition relating to a traffic order, having been seconded by Mrs Foster, was put to the vote and declared carried).

**I4.4 DORSMOUTH, DRUNKEN BRIDGE HILL, PLYMOUTH.
I2/00778/FUL**

(Mrs Maureen Lawley)

Decision:

Application **REFUSED** as deemed contrary to the following core strategy policies –

CS03 – in respect to safeguarding the historic environment;

CS18 – in respect to protecting and supporting a diverse and multi-functional green space;

CS34 – in respect to positively contributing to the landscape;

(The Committee heard representations against the application from Councillor Mrs Beer, ward member).

(The Committee heard representations against the application).

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

(Councillor Nicholson's proposal to refuse the application, on the reasons as stated

above, having been seconded by Councillor Stevens, was put to the vote and declared carried).

(Councillors Mrs Bowyer, Mrs Foster, Nicholson and Stevens declared a personal interest on the above item).

15. **PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS ISSUED**

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

16. **EXEMPT BUSINESS**

There were no items of exempt business.

SCHEDULE OF VOTING (Pages 1 - 2)

PLEASE NOTE

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