

PLANS COMMITTEE
22ND JUNE 2023

PRESENT: The Chair (Councillor S. Forrest)
The Vice Chair (Councillor Lennie)
Councillors Charles, Fryer, B. Gray, Lawrence,
Lowe, Monk, Northage, O'Neill, Palmer, Snartt and
N. Taylor

Group Leader Development Management (CT)
Principal Solicitor - Planning, Property and
Contracts
Planning Assistant (CB)
Senior Planning Officer (DL)
Team Leader, Strategic Development (MP)
Principal Planning Officer (JW)
Democratic Services Manager
Democratic Services Officer (RD)

APOLOGIES: Councillor Worrall

The Chair stated that the meeting would be recorded and the sound recording subsequently made available via the Council's website. She also advised that, under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014, other people may film, record, tweet or blog from this meeting, and the use of any such images or sound recordings was not under the Council's control.

7. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 25th May 2023 were confirmed as a correct record and signed.

8. QUESTIONS UNDER COMMITTEE PROCEDURE 12.8

No questions were submitted.

9. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS, AND OTHER REGISTRABLE AND NON-REGISTRABLE INTERESTS

The following disclosures were made:

- (i) by Councillor Snartt in respect of item 5e, Planning Application P/22/2188/2 Land West of Loughborough, Garendon Park, who had been contacted by an objector and the developer, but confirmed he would still have an open mind when considering the application;

- (ii) by Councillor O'Neill in respect of items 5b P/23/0035/2, 5c P/22/1503/2 and 5d P/23/0382/2 as a Ward Councillor, but confirmed he had no prior knowledge of the applications and would not affect his consideration of the items.

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Reports of the Head of Planning and Growth, setting out applications for planning permission reference P/23/0320/2, P/23/0035/2, P/22/1503/2, P/23/0382/2, P/22/2188/2, P/20/1390/2, P/20/1571/2 were submitted (item 5 on the agenda filed with these minutes).

In accordance with the procedure for public speaking at meetings, the following objector, applicants or their representatives attended the meeting and expressed their views:

- (i) Birgitta Worrall, speaking as a resident of Kingfisher Estate (objector) in respect of application P/23/0320/2;
- (ii) Steven Drury (agent) in respect of application P/22/2188/2;
- (iii) Sat Jassal (objector) in respect of applications P/20/1390/2 and P/20/1571/2;
- (iv) David Sangwine (on behalf of Woodthorpe Residents' Association) in respect of applications P/20/1390/2 and P/20/1571/2;
- (v) Tom Collins (agent) in respect of applications P/20/1390/2 and P/20/1571/2

In accordance with the procedure for Borough Councillors speaking at Plans Committee meetings, the following Councillors attended the meeting and expressed their views:

- (i) Councillor Cory-Lowsley (on behalf of call-in) in respect of application P/23/0320/2;
- (ii) Councillor Worrall (on behalf of call-in) in respect of applications P/20/1390/2 and P/20/1571/2.

a) PLANNING APPLICATION 5A

Councillor N. Taylor arrived at the meeting at 5.15pm during the consideration of this item after the Officer presentation and therefore did not participate in the discussion or vote.

RESOLVED that in respect of application P/23/0320/2 (12 Wren Close, Loughborough) planning permission be granted subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report of the Head of Planning and Growth.

b) PLANNING APPLICATION 5B

RESOLVED that in respect of application P/23/0035/2 (Land adjacent to Staverton House, 1580 Melton Road, Queniborough) planning permission be granted subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report of the Head of Planning and Growth.

c) PLANNING APPLICATION 5C

Planning Application P/22/1503/2 (The Manor House, 85 Main Street, Queniborough) was not considered as the applicant had withdrawn their application and no longer required a determination.

d) PLANNING APPLICATION 5D

Planning Application P/23/0382/2 (3 The Dovecotes, Queniborough) was withdrawn from the agenda following the applicant's agreement, due to the need to submit amended plans which would require a re-consultation. The application would therefore be presented at a future meeting of the Plans Committee.

e) PLANNING APPLICATION 5E

RESOLVED that in respect of application P/22/2188/2 (Garendon Park, Land West of Loughborough) planning permission be granted subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report of the Head of Planning and Growth.

At the close of this item (6.45pm) the meeting was adjourned for 15 minutes.

f) PLANNING APPLICATION 5F

RESOLVED that in respect of application P/20/1390/2 (23 Main Street, Woodthorpe) planning permission be refused, contrary to the Officer recommendations, for the following reasons:

1. It was considered that it was not in a sustainable location and would be contrary to Local Plan Policy CT1, Core Strategy Policy CS1, CS25 and the emerging Local Plan policy DS1, where the benefits did not outweigh the harm.
2. It was considered to be harmful to the identity of the local distinctiveness of Woodthorpe by the filling in of gaps and would not be a linear development. Therefore it would be contrary to Policy CS11 of the Core Strategy and Policy EV1 of the emerging Charnwood Local Plan.

g) PLANNING APPLICATION 5G

RESOLVED that in respect of application P/20/1571/2 (Grange Farm Bungalow, 63 Main Street, Woodthorpe) planning permission be refused, contrary to the Officer recommendations, for the following reasons:

1. It was considered that it was not in a sustainable location and would be contrary to Local Plan Policy CT1, Core Strategy Policy CS1, CS25 and the emerging Local Plan policy DS1, where the benefits did not outweigh the harm.
2. It was considered to be harmful to the identity of the local distinctiveness of Woodthorpe by the filling in of gaps and would not be a linear development. Therefore it would be contrary to Policy CS11 of the Core Strategy and Policy EV1 of the emerging Charnwood Local Plan.

11. LIST OF APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

A list of applications determined under powers delegated to officers for the period from 15th May 2023 to 13th June 2023 was submitted (item 6 on the agenda filed with these minutes).

NOTES:

1. No reference may be made to these minutes at the Council meeting on 4th September 2023 unless notice to that effect is given to the Democratic Services Manager by five members of the Council by noon on the fifth working day following publication of these minutes.
2. These minutes are subject to confirmation as a correct record at the next meeting of the Plans Committee.