

Planning Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting held in the Pavilion, Recreation Ground, Cottenham on Thursday 5th March 2020 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Morris (Chair), Collinson, Jones, Wilson, SCDC Cllr Wilson and the Clerk

In attendance: 3 members of the public, Philip Kratz

- 20P/040. Chairman's Introduction and Apologies** – Cllr Morris took the Chair. Apologies accepted from Cllrs Graves (personal) and Ward (personal).
- 20P/041. Any Questions from the Public or Press** – No comments.
- 20P/042. To accept Declarations of Interest and Dispensations** – Cllr Wilson expressed an Other Interest in item 20P/046 and will take no part in discussions. Cllr Smith arrived 7.33pm and took the Chair.
- 20P/043. Minutes** – Minor typo amended. Resolution that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 20th February 2020 be signed as a correct record. **RESOLVED.**
- 20P/044. Redrow** – consider grounds and possible next steps to requesting a Judicial Review of SCDC S/2549/19/RM and S/2679/19/RM planning decisions – Cllr Morris outlined the report; there are 8 possible reasons for grounds. Noted that ground 4 had already been dealt with. Standing Orders suspended 7.42pm. Mr Kratz outlined the process of a judicial review. He suggested sending a Pre-application protocol letter (PAPL) since it appears that SCDC failed to properly access several areas of evidence for the application. Mr Deas (ACRE) arrived 7.53pm. Would be courteous to send a copy of the PAPL to Redrow. Costs for the PAPL and advice regarding the response would be £250. Mr Kratz outlined what would go into the PAPL. SCDC Cllr Wilson spoke to agree with the points being raised. Standing Orders reinstated 8.08pm. Mr Kratz thanked. Resolution to initiate PAPL to SCDC relevant to S/2549/19/RM and S/2679/19/RM planning decisions and engage Philip Kratz accordingly to work with Cllr Morris on a response. **RESOLVED.** Mr Kratz left the meeting at 8.09pm.
- 20P/045. Cottenham Housing Needs Survey Report** – presentation of results and discussion with Mark Deas (Cambridgeshire ACRE) – Standing Orders suspended 8.10pm. Mr Deas gave an outline of the results of the survey. Previous survey undertaken in 2012, prior to the 5 houses being built on Histon Road. Key points: an income of £60k would be needed for a 2 bed house which is clearly an issue for low income families; average of 59 bids per affordable property, slightly higher than the District average; in principal 77% of respondents supported affordable housing but this doesn't mean they want building everywhere; concerns are that affordable houses are truly affordable; shared ownership favoured; concerns about infrastructure, particularly traffic and congestion. Cambridge Housing Society will come back to us as necessary (unable to attend this meeting). Need to let Mr Deas know if spot any typos in the report. Noted that most exception sites would consist only 25 homes rather than large scale developments. Mr Deas to send copy of the SCDC leaflet. He was thanked for attending and Standing Orders reinstated 8.35pm. Mr Deas left the meeting 8.36pm.
- 20P/046. Planning Applications:**
- **20/01218/HFUL** - Two storey side extension, 3 Dunstal Field, Cottenham. Standing Orders suspended 8.37pm. Applicant spoke to say was looking to improve environmental performance. Footprint increase will be minimal. Standing Orders reinstated 8.39pm. Extension follows suit with other properties in the street. CPC recommends approval. **APPROVED.**
- 20P/047. SPD Consultations** – Consider responses to East Cambs Supplementary Planning Document consultations on Natural Environment SPD and Custom and Self-Build Housing SPD (by 30th March 2020) – Cllr Jones to draft response and bring to next meeting.

- 20P/048. Minerals & Waste Consultation** – Consider response to County Planning Minerals and Waste Development consultation (by 8th April) – Cllr Morris to contact Emma Fitch to see if there are routing issues which may increase traffic on the B1049. Standing Orders suspended 8.48pm. SCDC Cllr Wilson reported that SCDC Cllr Gough has followed up resident query regarding gravel lorries and no Frimstone lorries should be coming through Cottenham. If we see any gravel lorries the details should be taken and reported to County Enforcement Officer. Cllr Morris to come back with consultation comments by 24th March.
- 20P/049. SCDC Planning Delegation** – Consider update regarding SCDC planning delegation procedure – Cllr Morris outlined the background. Standing Orders suspended 8.59pm. SCDC Cllr Wilson confirmed that at the Civic Affairs Committee it was agreed to go with the amendment giving Stephen Kelly sole control over all delegation decisions. Discussion about the process. Standing Orders reinstated 9.09pm. Resolution for Cllr Morris to draft comments and circulate to the Committee. **RESOLVED.**
- 20P/050. Enforcement** – consider updates from Enforcement Officers and additional items for enforcement. Case 11/18 – LHO has visited site and update provided. New case – waiting response from Licensing.
- 20P/051. Date of next meeting** – 24th March 2020
- 20P/052. Close of meeting** – 9.15pm.

Signed _____ (Chair) Date _____