

Minutes

Planning Committee Tuesday, 16th January, 2024

Attendance

Cllr Mynott (Chair)	Cllr Gelderbloem
Cllr M Cuthbert (Vice-Chair)	Cllr Gorton
Cllr Dr Barrett	Cllr Heard
Cllr Bridge	Cllr McCheyne
Cllr Mrs N Cuthbert	Cllr Munden
Cllr Mrs Francois	Cllr Mrs Murphy

Apologies

Substitute Present

Also Present

Cllr Barber
Cllr Sankey
Cllr Lockhart - Blackmore Parish Council
Cllr Cloke – Mountnessing Village Council

Officers Present

Leigh Nicholson	-	Interim Director - Place
Caroline Corrigan	-	Corporate Manager (Planning Development Management)
Zoe Borman	-	Governance and Member Support Officer
Carole Vint	-	Planning Officer
Jane Lowe	-	Planning Assistant

LIVE BROADCAST

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345. Apologies for Absence

No apologies had been received.

346. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th December 2023 were agreed as a true record.

347. Minutes of the Meeting held on 29th November 2023

The Minutes of the meeting held on 29th November 2023 were agreed as a true record.

348. APPLICATION NO: 23/01170/HHA 33 WHITTINGTON ROAD HUTTON BRENTWOOD ESSEX CM13 1JY

As required by the Constitution, the application was before the Committee for determination as it relates to a Council owned building.

Ms Jane Lowe presented the report.

Cllr Barber, Ward Councillor, spoke, saying he had no objection to the application.

Cllr Mynott **MOVED** and Cllr M Cuthbert **SECONDED** a motion to **APPROVE** the application.

A vote was taken and Members voted as follows:

FOR: Cllrs Dr Barrett, Bridge, M Cuthbert, Mrs N Cuthbert, Mrs Francois, Mrs Gelderbloem, Gorton, Heard, McCheyne, Munden, Mrs Murphy, Mynott (12)

AGAINST; (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

The motion to **APPROVE** the application was **CARRIED** subject to the conditions outlined in the report.

349. APPLICATION NO: 23/00888/FUL BROOKES HOUSE 79-81 WESTERN ROAD BRENTWOOD ESSEX CM14 4ST

This application, Brookes House, 79-81 Western Road, Brentwood had been withdrawn until the February Committee following discussion with officers and due to the complex nature of the application, specifically in relation to the

layers of revised design iterations and how they compare with the consented scheme and how they've responded to officers comments following the submission of this current application. This will allow additional time for the Committee to be fully briefed on the resulting design of the building and its effect of the surrounding townscape and neighbour amenity.

**350. APPLICATION NO: 23/01132/FUL 5 BURNTHOUSE LANE
MOUNTNESSING INGATESTONE ESSEX CM4 9AN**

The application had been referred at the request of Cllr Sankey for the following reason:

Occupant of 7 Burnthouse Lane has pointed out that the development will severely impact on daylight to property and, in turn, have an adverse effect on the resident's health. I would refer to the comments of the resident who has provided a detailed and reasoned account of the unsuitability of the development and the comments of the Mountnessing Village Council who also do not support the application.

Mrs Carole Vint presented the report.

The Agent, Mr Washbourn, was present and spoke in support of the application.

Cllr Jon Cloke, representing Mountnessing Village, addressed the Committee with concerns including character of the building and overlooking.

Cllr Sankey, Ward Councillor, spoke setting out his reasons for referral and reading the statements from neighbouring residents opposing to the application.

Cllr Gorton, Ward Councillor, raised concerns regarding the loss of light and detriment to neighbour's living conditions.

A motion to **REFUSE** the application was **MOVED** by Cllr Gorton and **SECONDED** by Cllr Munden.

A vote was taken and Members voted as follows:

FOR: Cllrs Bridge, Gorton, Munden (3)

AGAINST: Cllrs Dr Barrett, M Cuthbert, Mrs N Cuthbert, Mrs Francois, Mrs Gelderbloem, Heard, McCheyne, Mrs Murphy, Mynott (9)

ABSTAIN: (0)

The motion to **REFUSE** the application was **LOST**.

Following a short debate a motion to **APPROVE** the application was **MOVED** by Cllr Heard and **SECONDED** by Cllr Mrs Francois.

Members voted as follows:

FOR: Cllrs Dr Barrett, M Cuthbert, Mrs N Cuthbert, Mrs Francois, Mrs Gelderbloem, Heard, McCheyne, Mynott (8)

AGAINST: Cllrs Bridge, Gorton, Munden, Mrs Murphy (4)

ABSTAIN: (0)

The motion to APPROVE the application was CARRIED subject to conditions outlined in the report

351. Fees and Charges

Fees and charges made by the Council for various services are reviewed on an annual basis by the relevant Committees relating to the services provided. Recommended amendments to the fees and charges are incorporated into the budget setting process to take effect from the following financial year.

Mrs Corrigan summarised the report.

Cllr Mynott raised a query as to the accuracy of the zeros showing on page 9 of the report under the heading "Application for new planning permission to replace an extant planning permission".

Mrs Corrigan advised this would be reviewed as all statutory planning fees have increased and Members would be updated on this point at a later Committee.

It was also noted that Appendix C was incorrectly headed under Clean & Green Committee. However, it was established that Building Control fees were for the Planning Committee to determine and this was a typographical error.

Cllr Mynott **MOVED** and Cllr M Cuthbert **SECONDED** the recommendations in the report.

A vote was taken by a show of hands and it was **RESOLVED** to:

Approve the proposed charges for 2024/25 as attached in Appendix A, B and C subject to the annual budget setting process.

Reasons for Recommendation

Officers review fees and charges annually and this will be used to inform the 2024/25 budget setting process.

352. Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting concluded at 20:37