

PLANNING COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY 2016

PRESENT: - Councillors Abdul Amin, John Ballman, Colin Lovell (Chair), Teresa Page, Vera Tomlinson, Peter Watts, Nick Martin, Alan Bishop, Kevin Parry, Cathy Martyn, Stan Pajak, Timothy Swinyard and Steph Exell.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Eric Shaw.

100. Declarations of Interest

The Chair reminded Members of the need to declare any known interests in any matters to be considered at the meeting. No declarations were made.

101. Minutes

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 12th January 2016, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

102. Public Question Time

No public questions were received during the meeting.

103. Determination of Planning and Related Applications

The Committee considered: -

- (a) Prior Notification Applications for the erection of 15 metre high monopole, equipment cabinets and associated works;
- (b) Recommendations of the Head of Planning, Regulatory Services and Heritage;
- (c) The views of interested persons set out in the report circulated with the Committee Agenda;
- (d) A presentation by the Cabinet Member for Corporate, Customer and Digital Services on the proposed Wi-Fi provision in North Swindon;
- (e) The comments of Councillor Emma Faramarzi in respect of applications numbered S/16/0012, S/16/0014, S/16/0018 and S0027;
- (f) The comments of Councillor Toby Elliot in respect of applications numbered S/16/0012, S/16/0014 and S0027;
- (g) The comments of Councillor Mary Friend in respect of applications S/16/0018 and S/16/0019;
- (i) The comments of Councillor Oliver Donachie in respect of application S/16/0012;
- (h) The comments of the following interested persons:-

<u>App No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Organisation</u>
S/16/0012	Graham Currier Harriet Maltby Damon Bower	Applicant (UKBN) Flat 9, 50 Queens Drive Haydon Wick Parish Council

S/16/0014	Graham Currier Damon Bower	Applicant (UKBN) Haydon Wick Parish Council
S/16/0027	Graham Currier Vinray Munro Samantha Wathen Damon Bower	Applicant (UKBN) 22 Piernix Close 1 Kopernik Road Haydon Wick Parish Council
S/16/0018	Graham Currier	Applicant (UKBN)
S/16/0019	Graham Currier Steve Hall	Applicant (UKBN) Local Resident

Resolved – (1) That Prior Approval be required and refused in respect of Application S/16/0012 for the following reason:

1. The proposed telecommunication installation by reason of its height and appearance as viewed in context to its siting within a high density and formally laid out residential area will have an adverse impact upon the character, appearance and wider enjoyment of the area by forming a prominent and intrusive addition to the streetscene. Furthermore, the amenities of nearby neighbouring dwellings would be unacceptably harmed by the proximity of the development which cannot be outweighed by the public benefit the infrastructure would otherwise bring to the wider community. As such the proposal is an unacceptable form of development in terms of its siting and appearance contrary to the material considerations of National Planning Policy Framework (2012) and policies IN3 and DE1 of the Swindon Borough Local Plan 2016 (2105).

(2) That Prior Approval be required and refused in respect of Application S/16/0014 for the following reason:

1. The proposed telecommunication installation by reason of its height and appearance as viewed in context to its siting within a high density and formally laid out residential area will have an adverse impact upon the character, appearance and wider enjoyment of the area by forming a prominent and intrusive addition to the streetscene. Furthermore, the amenities of nearby neighbouring dwellings would be unacceptably harmed by the proximity of the development which cannot be outweighed by the public benefit the infrastructure would otherwise bring to the wider community. As such the proposal is an unacceptable form of development in terms of its siting and appearance contrary to the material considerations of National Planning Policy Framework (2012) and policies IN3 and DE1 of the Swindon Borough Local Plan 2016 (2105).

(3) That Prior Approval be required and refused in respect of Application S/16/0027 for the following reason:

1. The proposed telecommunication installation by reason of its height and appearance as viewed in context to its siting within a high density and formally laid out residential area will have an adverse impact upon the character, appearance and wider enjoyment of the area by forming a prominent and intrusive addition to the streetscene. Furthermore, the amenities of nearby neighbouring dwellings would be

unacceptably harmed by the proximity of the development which cannot be outweighed by the public benefit the infrastructure would otherwise bring to the wider community. As such the proposal is an unacceptable form of development in terms of its siting and appearance contrary to the material considerations of National Planning Policy Framework (2012) and policies IN3 and DE1 of the Swindon Borough Local Plan 2016 (2105).

(4) That Prior Approval be required and refused in respect of Application S/16/0018 for the following reason:

1. The proposed telecommunication installation by reason of its height and appearance as viewed in context to its siting within a high density and formally laid out residential area will have an adverse impact upon the character, appearance and wider enjoyment of the area by forming a prominent and intrusive addition to the streetscene. Furthermore, the amenities of nearby neighbouring dwellings would be unacceptably harmed by the proximity of the development which cannot be outweighed by the public benefit the infrastructure would otherwise bring to the wider community. As such the proposal is an unacceptable form of development in terms of its siting and appearance contrary to the material considerations of National Planning Policy Framework (2012) and policies IN3 and DE1 of the Swindon Borough Local Plan 2016 (2105).

(5) That Prior Approval be required and refused in respect of Application S/16/0019 for the following reason:

1. The proposed telecommunication installation by reason of its height and appearance as viewed in context to its siting within a high density and formally laid out residential area will have an adverse impact upon the character, appearance and wider enjoyment of the area by forming a prominent and intrusive addition to the streetscene. Furthermore, the amenities of nearby neighbouring dwellings would be unacceptably harmed by the proximity of the development which cannot be outweighed by the public benefit the infrastructure would otherwise bring to the wider community. As such the proposal is an unacceptable form of development in terms of its siting and appearance contrary to the material considerations of National Planning

(6) That it be noted that Application Numbered S/15/2005 had been withdrawn by the applicant.

104. Local Plan Principle of High Quality Design

The Head of Planning, Regulatory Services and Heritage submitted a report on Local Plan Principle of High Quality Design which drew attention to (a) the need to give due regard to the Local Plan high quality design principle, (b) ensuring that the scale of development is managed in apposite way through the planning system to deliver new neighbourhoods promoting healthy, safe, inclusive and attractive communities respecting, conserving and enhancing the natural built and historic environment, and (c) ensuring developments on individual sites do not result in separate, insular residential neighbourhoods but achieve connectivity to each other and existing developments.

Resolved – That the report and its contents be noted for the purpose of highlighting the need for consistency in decision-making in Planning on the principle of high quality design enshrined in the Council's Local Plan.

Signed at a meeting of the Committee held on 8th March 2016

Person presiding at meeting at which minutes signed