

PLANNING COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, 12 JUNE 2012

PRESENT: - Councillors Colin Lovell (Chair), Doreen Dart (Vice-Chair), Steve Allsopp, Abdul Amin, Toby Elliott, Brian Ford, Dale Heenan, Richard Hurley, Nick Martin, Teresa Page, Peter Watts and Keith Williams.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Paul Baker and Nicky Sewell.

145. Declarations of Interest

Councillors Page and Watts made non-prejudicial declarations of interest in respect of application numbered S/12/42 and stayed in the room and took part in the discussion and voting thereon.

Councillors Williams and Lovell made non-prejudicial declarations of interest in respect of application numbered S/11/1588 and stayed in the room and took part in the discussion and voting thereon.

146. Minutes

Resolved – That the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd May 2012, be confirmed and signed.

147. Public Question Time

Peter McSparron asked the following question:

Guidance on the Localism Act 2010 says the Act is designed to make the planning system clearer and more democratic. For some development the applicants are allowed to present to Councillors for extended periods plus the standard 5 minutes at the Planning Committee while residents/electors are generally restricted to only 10 minutes collectively. Can the Committee advise how this disparity in the time available to make direct representations meets the objectives of the Localism Act by being open and democratic?

The Head of Planning provided a written response to the question.

Brian Cockbill, Stratton, asked a series of questions concerning the Borough Councils Core Strategy framework document.

The Head of Planning responded at the meeting.

148. Determination of Planning and Related Applications

The Committee considered: -

- (a) Applications for permission to develop;
- (b) Recommendations of the Head of Planning.

- (c) The views of interested persons set out in the report circulated with the Committee Agenda;
- (d) The Additional Information Sheet circulated before the meeting;
- (e) The comments of Councillors Faramarzi, Grant, Dempsey, Moffatt, Tomlinson, Heaton-Jones, Friend and Wakefield in respect of application numbered S/11/1588
- (f) The comments of the following interested persons:-

<u>App No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Address/Organisation</u>
S/11/1588	Des Dunlop	Agent
	Steph Excell	Haydon Wick PC
	Paul Excell	4 Southwald Close
	John Harnett	Cricklade Town Council
	Stuart Boyd	Blunsdon PC
	Michael Hughes	
	Kareen Boyd	Old Town
	Julian Cope	Oakhurst Swindon
	Richard Ball	
	Sarah Mcdermid	
	Peter Edwards	
	David Morrison	
	Terry Hunt	Rodbourne Cheney Res Assoc
S/12/0042	Tony Doyle	Agent

Resolved – That, in respect of application numbered S/11/1588: (1) the Head of Planning be authorised to grant outline planning permission under delegated authority and approve the means of access subject to:

(a) Completion of a legal agreement in consultation with the Chair & Vice Chair of the Planning Committee, and Northern Sector Councillors (St. Andrews and Priory Vale wards) and to secure planning obligations that are material to that decision; and

(b) The conditions set out in this report, with delegated authority to make reasonable amendments to those conditions before issuing formal consent as may be necessary.

(2) That if, by the 13 September 2012, the legal agreement and conditions have not been satisfactorily resolved, the Head of Planning may refuse planning permission for the following reason:

The applicant has failed to enter into a legal agreement to secure the necessary infrastructure provision to mitigate the development. As such the proposal is contrary to policies DS8, T1 and T2 of the Swindon Borough Local Plan 2011 (2006), policy DP2 of the Wiltshire Structure Plan 2016 (2006), Developer Contributions: Development Control Guidance Note Update (2010) and policy DMP4 of the Swindon Borough Core Strategy and Development Management Policies 2026 Revised Proposed Submission Document (2010).

(2) That permission be refused in respect of application numbered S/12/42 for the following reason:

The proposed development represents an overdevelopment of the site which results in a cramped form of development which would result in a poor level of amenity and outlook for the future occupiers of the dwellings and would be contrary to Policy DS6 in the Swindon Borough Local Plan 2011.