

LICHFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held in Committee Room 1, Guildhall, Lichfield, at 6.30pm on Thursday, 26 August 2010

PRESENT: Councillor R J Awty (Chairman), and Councillors Mrs J A Allsopp, Mrs M P Bland, G Boyle, Mrs M G Boyle, D P A Dundas, Mrs J M Eagland, Mrs D English, T V Finn, C Greatorex, I A Jackson, J A Smith, C J Spruce and M Warfield.

APOLOGIES: Councillors B F Bacon, Mrs N Bacon, J R Bayliss, P L Hitchman, Mrs E C Roe, D Smedley, T J Thomas, A D Thompson, J C Walker, B S White and J N Wilks.

36 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

When considering planning applications and/or licensing matters, and in accordance with advice received from the Standards Board for England, those City councillors present who were also members of the District Council's Planning and/or Licensing Committee confirmed that their comments at this meeting were a preliminary view and that they might change their view when they heard all of the evidence at the District Council's Planning Committee.

Councillor Mrs J A Allsopp declared a prejudicial interest in planning application 10/01041/FUL since the applicant was her landlord and left the room during the discussion of this item.

Councillor Mrs D English declared a prejudicial interest in planning application 10/00973/FUL as a close relative was an employee of the applicant and left the room during the discussion of this item.

Councillor C Greatorex declared a prejudicial interest in Minute 40 as his portfolio responsibilities as a District Councillor included street naming, and left the room during the discussion of this item..

Councillor I A Jackson declared a personal interest in planning application 10/01029/FUL as his property was near to that of the applicant.

37 MINUTES

RESOLVED: *That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 29 July 2010 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.*

38 APPEAL NOTICE

An Appeal Notice was received for the erection of a single wind turbine plus underground cabling, access track, control building, temporary site compound and ancillary development on land at Curborough Sewage Treatment Works, Watery Lane, Curborough, Lichfield, application No 09/01166/FULM. The City Council's comment on this application on 4 March 2010 was to 'recommend refusal; unacceptable visual impact due to its size and height. Access to the site for construction would lead to destruction of hedgerows on narrow country lanes. The access route suggested is totally unsuitable for abnormal load vehicles.'

RESOLVED: *That the Appeal be noted.*

39 LICENSING APPLICATIONS

Members considered Lichfield District Council Premises Licences as per agenda Appendix C.

RESOLVED: *That the Premises Licences be noted.*

40 STREET NAMING

Consideration was given to correspondence from Lichfield District Council regarding naming the new road off Fosseyway; and also to an objection received to the proposed name 'Clayton Drive' for one of the two new roads off Brownsfield Road.

RESOLVED:

- 1** *That the Council suggests that it would be simpler for this new road to be added into the existing numbering on Fosseyway, but that if the Developer still wished*

to have the name Chesterfield Walk, the Council would not pursue any objection.

- 2** *That the Council's previous decision in respect of the road name 'Clayton Drive' be re-affirmed.*

41 ST MARY'S ALLEYWAY

Consideration was given to correspondence from Lichfield District Council regarding improvements to the alleyway behind St Mary's Church.

RESOLVED: *That the proposed improvements be welcomed and supported.*

42 CHURCH STREET TRAFFIC LIGHTS

The Committee noted a response from Staffordshire County Council in respect of the request for a left hand filter lane at the traffic signals on Church Street by the Tesco store, and the reasons for the removal of the arrow.

43 SAFER ROUTES TO SCHOOLS – FRIARY HIGH SCHOOL

The Committee noted a response from Staffordshire County Council regarding the proposed staggered Puffin crossing and central reserve alterations on eastern Avenue near to the Grange Lane junction and indicating that these alterations would also improve safety.

RESOLVED: *That although some concerns remained, the Council would not pursue any objections to the proposals.*

44 OFF-STREET PARKING PLACES

The Committee considered correspondence from Lichfield District Council regarding the re-designation of parking spaces.

RESOLVED: *That the correspondence be noted.*

45 TAXI RANK CONSULTATION

The Committee considered a consultation request from Lichfield District Council regarding the introduction of new taxi ranks at various locations.

RESOLVED:

- 1** *That the City Council object to the proposed taxi rank at Wade Street which would result in the unacceptable loss of disabled person's parking.*
- 2** *That the remaining proposals for taxi ranks in the City be supported.*
- 3** *That the District Council be asked to arrange for the Bore Street taxi ranks to receive road markings.*
- 4** *That enquiries be made to establish whether taxis would be returning to operate from the multi-storey car park when it re-opened.*

46 HIGH SPEED RAIL 2

The Committee noted a response from the County Council regarding the consultation process and the offer of direct involvement of the City Council once further details became available.

47 GREENHOUGH ROAD PROPOSED NO WAITING RESTRICTION

The Committee considered the details of the County Council's proposals for the implementation of parking restrictions in Greenhough Road.

RESOLVED: *That the proposed no waiting at any time restriction in Greenhough Road be supported.*

48 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED:

- 1** *That the decisions of Lichfield District Council on planning applications as listed on Agenda Appendix 'B' be received and noted.*
- 2** *That correspondence from Lichfield District Council outlining its reasons for determining application Nos 10/00584/COU, 10/00751/FUL and 10/00754/FUL differently from the recommendations of the City Council be noted.*
- 3** *That recommendations be submitted to Lichfield District Council in respect of planning applications as listed in Appendix 'A'.*

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.15PM

CHAIRMAN