

LICHFIELD CITY COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held in Committee Room 1, Guildhall, Lichfield, at 6.30pm on Thursday, 13 October 2016

PRESENT: Councillor B Cocksey (Chairman), and Councillors Mrs J Allsopp, R Awty, B Bacon, Mrs N Bacon, Mrs G Boyle, D Dundas, C Greateorex, Mrs J Greaves, P Hitchman, Mrs S James, Miss J Marks, T Matthews, B McMullan, C Spruce, Mrs L Warfield, M Warfield and R Yardley

APOLOGIES: Councillors Mrs D Baker, J Brooks, I Eadie, Mrs J Eagland, D Leytham, D Smedley, A Smith, A Thompson and M Thompson

57 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Those City councillors present who were also members of the District Council's Planning Committee 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 and/or Licensing Committee.

58 MINUTES

RESOLVED: *That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21 September 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.*

59 LICENSING APPLICATIONS

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

RESOLVED: *That the Premises Licences be noted.*

60 BULLDOG LANE

Further to Minute No 48 [Planning Meeting dated 1 September 2016] concerning the possibility of additional signage at Bulldog Lane. A response from Staffordshire Highways was received as follows:

"no further works planned at this moment. Let's see how it operates now that the additional signage and SLOW road markings have been added. As a highway authority we are encouraged by the Department for Transport to avoid the proliferation of signage."

RESOLVED: *That the information be noted.*

61 ST JOHN STREET

Further to Minute No 49 [Planning Meeting dated 1 September 2016] concerning vehicles leaving St John's House. A response from Staffordshire Highways was received as follows:

"St. John's House has a legitimate access onto St. John Street but I do take the point regarding pedestrians. Visibility for pedestrians and drivers exiting the property is very poor and can't be improved due to the nature of the location. I would suggest in the first instance the City Council discusses

these concerns with St. John's House (SJH) to explore a solution - possibly a sign on SJH property for vehicles exiting, reminding them to watch out for pedestrians? I don't mind contacting SJH myself if the City Council have tried to speak to them and they are unresponsive. I might be wrong, but I don't think that SJH can be accessed by vehicles from Marlborough Court; I think that the St. John Street access is the only one available to them."

RESOLVED: *That the Town Clerk writes to St John's House requesting a sign be installed for vehicles leaving the site.*

62 MARKET STREET/BIRD STREET – LOOSE PAVIOURS

Further to Minute No 50 [Planning Meeting dated 1 September 2016] concerning loose pavours at the junction of Market Street/Bird Street. A response from Staffordshire Highways was received as follows:

"Response - for future reference and speed, please use the following channels to raise these issues:

Online - www.staffordshire.gov.uk/reportit
App - down the My Staffs Mobile app and use the Report it section

This ensures that a request is logged, dealt with efficiently and assigned to the correct people for further investigation. You will get a reference number and updates as things progress. The Community Liaison team I lead are not directly involved in maintenance, this is carried out by the County Council's partner Amey. As such my team don't get involved in these issues unless there is a serious safety concern that has not been addressed in timely manner."

RESOLVED: *That the information be noted.*

63 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** *The Chairman informed members of the District Council's Reasons for Refusal for application 16/00625/FUL, which had been decided differently to the City Council recommendations.*
- 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 6.53PM

CHAIRMAN