

COUNCIL - 24 July 2001

Minutes of the meeting of the **Planning Services Committee** held on **26 April 2001** when there were present:

Cllr R E Vingoe
Cllr R S Allen

Chairman
Vice-Chairman

Cllr R Adams
Cllr C I Black
Cllr Mrs R Brown
Cllr P A Capon
Cllr T G Cutmore
Cllr Mrs J E Ford
Cllr G Fox
Cllr Mrs J M Giles
Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn
Cllr Mrs J Hall
Cllr D R Helson
Cllr Mrs J Helson
Cllr A Hosking
Cllr Mrs L Hungate
Cllr C C Langlands

Cllr V H Leach
Cllr T Livings
Cllr G A Mockford
Cllr C R Morgan
Cllr P J Morgan
Cllr R A Pearson
Cllr Mrs L I V Phillips
Cllr R F Powell
Cllr S P Smith
Cllr P D Stebbing
Cllr Mrs M J Webster
Cllr P F A Webster
Cllr D A Weir
Cllr Mrs M A Weir

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs J E Grey, Mrs S J Lemon, J R F Mason, M G B Starke.

OFFICERS PRESENT

S Scrutton	Head of Planning Services
A Bugeja	Head of Legal Services
J Whitlock	Planning Manager
K Steptoe	Team Leader (Development Control)
Mrs M Martin	Committee Administrator

181 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members interests relating to the schedule of development applications and recommendations were received as follows:

Item R1 - Cllr R Adams also declared a pecuniary interest in this item by virtue of being a Director of the SEETEC Business Technology Centre Ltd and agreed to leave the meeting during its consideration.

Item R2 - Councillor Mrs J Hall declared a non-pecuniary interest in this item by virtue of Membership of the Ashingdon Parish Council.

182 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5 April 2001 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

183 STATISTICS

The Chairman introduced an additional item at the start of the meeting to update Members on the performance of the Planning Division over the last two years. The Head of Planning Services provided the following statistics:-

All applications determined within 8 weeks:	1999/2000	54%
	2000/2001	71%

Householder applications determined in 8 weeks:	1999/2000	68%
	2000/2001	88%

Members thanked the Head of Planning Services and his staff for their hard work and requested that a Press Release be issued to publicise the significant improvements that had taken over the last year.

184 BREACH OF PLANNING CONTROL AT 235 BULL LANE, RAYLEIGH

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Planning Services regarding the construction of an outbuilding in excess of that permitted under Schedule 2, Part 1, Class A of General Permitted Development Order 1995 (as amended) and the material change of use of land and buildings at this site, without the benefit of planning permission.

Resolved

That the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration) be authorised to take all necessary action including the issue of Notices and action in the Courts to secure the remedying of the breach of planning control now reported. (HPS)

185 BREACH OF PLANNING CONTROL AT 54 LITTLE WAKERING ROAD, LITTLE WAKERING, ESSEX

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Planning Services regarding a breach of planning control contributing to an untidy site.

Resolved

That the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration) be authorised to take all necessary action including the issue of Notices and action in the Courts to secure the remedying of the breach now reported. (HPS)

186 BREACH OF PLANNING CONTROL AT 77 ASHCOMBE, ROCHFORD, ESSEX

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Planning Services regarding a breach of planning control in the use of this site as the headquarters and operating centre for a courier delivery business.

Resolved

That the Corporate Director (Law, Planning and Administration) be authorised to take all necessary action including the issue of Notices and action in the Courts to secure the remedying of the breach now reported. (HPS)

187 SCHEDULE OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

The Committee gave consideration to the current Schedule of Planning Applications.

Item R1 - 01/00060/FUL - SEETEC, Main Road, Hockley

Proposal - Install security shutter to window on east elevation

Resolved

That this application be approved subject to the conditions set out in the Schedule and that the Head of Planning Services investigate the potential for the building to be listed.

Item R2 - 00/00064/ADV - Land at corner of Victory Lane, Golden Cross Road, Rochford

Proposal - Display of non illuminated free standing 'for sale' boards; three flags and erection of three flag poles (retrospective)

Resolved

That approval be delegated to the Head of Planning Services, in conjunction with the Ward Members, subject to negotiations with the applicant for the removal of the flagpole adjacent to 80 Golden Cross Road and to encourage the applicant to secure the ropes on the other poles to reduce noise nuisance.

Item 3 - 01/00195/CM - Oakwood Yard, Cottis Yard, Purdeys Way, Rochford

Proposal - Change of use of site to waste transfer station

Resolved

That the application be approved subject to the conditions set out in the Schedule.

Item 4 - 01/00069/COU - 5 West Street, Rochford

Proposal - Change of use to a Tapas bar and cafe (Class A3)

Resolved

That the application be refused.

Item 5 - 01/00122/LBC - 5 West Street, Rochford

Proposal - Change of use to a Tapas bar and cafe (Class A3)

Resolved

That the application be refused.

The meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

Chairman

Date