

Planning Services Committee – 26 August 2004

Minutes of the meeting of the **Planning Services Committee** held on **26 August 2004** when there were present:-

Cllr A J Humphries (Chairman)
Cllr K H Hudson (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr R A Amner	Cllr D Merrick
Cllr C I Black	Cllr G A Mockford
Cllr Mrs R Brown	Cllr R A Oatham
Cllr Mrs L A Butcher	Cllr J M Pullen
Cllr P A Capon	Cllr C G Seagers
Cllr Mrs T J Capon	Cllr S P Smith
Cllr T G Cutmore	Cllr D G Stansby
Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn	Cllr Mrs M A Starke
Cllr K J Gordon	Cllr M G B Starke
Cllr J E Grey	Cllr J Thomass
Cllr Mrs S A Harper	Cllr Mrs M S Vince
Cllr C A Hungate	Cllr Mrs M J Webster
Cllr Mrs L Hungate	Cllr P F A Webster
Cllr T Livings	Cllr Mrs C A Weston
Cllr C J Lumley	Cllr Mrs B J Wilkins
Cllr Mrs J R Lumley	

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs R G S Choppen, T E Goodwin, J R F Mason, P R Robinson, and P K Savill

OFFICERS PRESENT

S Scrutton	- Head of Planning Services
J Whitlock	- Planning Manager
N Khan	- Solicitor
L Palmer	- Team Leader (South)
M Stranks	- Team Leader (North)
M Martin	- Committee Administrator

REPRESENTING RAWRETH PARISH COUNCIL

Cllr B Osborn

364 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 27 July 2004 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

365 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr K H Hudson declared a prejudicial interest in item 2 of the Schedule by virtue of being the owner of the building and left the Council Chamber during consideration of the item.

Cllr T G Cutmore declared a personal interest in the referred item on the Schedule by virtue of the fact that his wife had worked for the sister of the applicant some years ago.

Cllr Mrs H L A Glynn declared a personal interest in the referred item on the Schedule by virtue of having been acquainted with the applicant some years ago.

The Head of Planning Services declared a prejudicial interest in the referred item on the Schedule by virtue of being a personal friend of the applicant and left the Council Chamber during consideration of the item.

366 BREACH OF PLANNING CONTROL AT LAND BETWEEN 18 - 24 HILLSIDE ROAD, EASTWOOD, LEIGH ON SEA, ESSEX

The Committee considered the report of the Head of Planning Services regarding a breach of planning control, namely the use of the land for the storage of building materials and the erection of buildings for the purposes of this use.

Resolved

That the Head of Planning Services be authorised to take all necessary action to secure the remedying of the breach now reported. (HPS)

367 SCHEDULE OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS/ITEMS REFERRED FROM WEEKLY LIST

The Committee considered the Schedule of Development Applications and Recommendations, together with application number 04/00547/COU which had been referred from the Weekly List.

Item R1 – 04/00547/COU – Brickhouse Farm, Fambridge Road, Ashingdon

Proposal – Conversion of Redundant Farm Building to a Dwelling

Resolved

That the application be refused, for the following reason:-

The proposal is situated within an area of Metropolitan Green Belt as defined in the Rochford District Local Plan First Review (1995) where development of

the type proposed is allowed only in the most exceptional circumstances. The applicant has failed to provide sufficient details of attempts made to market the site for commercial purposes and as such the proposal is contrary to Policy GB5 of the Rochford District Local Plan First Review (1995) and would be inappropriate development contrary to Policy GB1 of the Rochford District Local Plan First Review (1995). (HPS)

Item 2 – 04/00564/COU – Lower Hockley Hall Farm, Lower Road, Hockley

Proposal – Use Existing Barn for B1 Use as a Printing Business

Resolved

That the application be approved, subject to the conditions set out in the Schedule. (HPS)

Note: Cllrs Mrs H L A Glynn and T Livings wished it to be recorded that they had voted against the above decision.

Item 3 – 04/00612/REM – Park School, Rawreth Lane, Rayleigh

Proposal – Details of Spine Road, Associated Footpaths and Footpath/Cycleway, Roundabout and Turning Facilities

Resolved

That the application be approved, subject to the conditions set out in the Schedule together with an additional condition as follows:-

No development or preliminary groundwork of any kind shall take place until the applicant has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological work in accordance with a written scheme of investigation which has been submitted by the applicant and approved by the Local Planning Authority. (HPS)

Note: Cllrs C I Black, C J Lumley, Mrs J R Lumley, and R A Oatham wished it to be recorded that they had voted against the above decision.

The meeting closed at 8.55 pm.

Chairman

Date