

Minutes of the Planning Committee held on Tuesday 23rd April 2019 at The Mercury Library and Community Hub, High Street, Hamble at 7PM

PRESENT:

Cllr I Underdown (Chair)
Cllr J Dajka
Cllr I James
Cllr D Rolfe
Cllr T Ryan
Cllr A Thompson

IN ATTENDANCE:

Amanda Jobling – Clerk

Members of the public: None

62/39 Welcome and recorded thanks

Cllr Underdown welcomed all those present to the meeting and asked that the Committee record its thanks for the work of Grant Woodall following his resignation from the Council.

63/39 Apologies for Absence

No Apologies for absence.

64/39 Declarations of interest and approved dispensations

Cllr I James declared an interest in item 7 on the Agenda.

65/39 Approve Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 25th March 2019

Cllr Rolfe proposed, Cllr Dajka seconded and IT WAS RESOLVED that the minutes of the above meeting be accepted as a true record. The minutes were then signed by the Chair.

66/39 Public Session – no public present

67/39 Parishioner issue – Pedestrianisation of the High Street

The Committee considered the comments regarding the pedestrianisation of the High Street following the recent closure. Although the Committee recognised the difficulties created when the road was recently shut it felt that it would be a retrograde step and would make access for businesses and visitors a lot more difficult. The Clerk was asked to write to the parishioner, setting out the committee's decision and thanking them for their suggestion.

68/39 20 is Plenty

The Committee discussed this suggestion which had come from a resident via the April Council meeting. Again, the Committee felt unable to support the idea. They recognised the concerns raised but felt that a lower speed limit would continue to be breached by people without very significant enforcement from the Police and that what was needed was a programme of education. They also referred to Hampshire County Council and their review of the pilots which meant no new zones would be introduced unless there was a high level of fatalities. The Clerk was asked to confirm their position to the parishioner and again thank them for their suggestion.

APPLICATIONS WITHIN THE PARISH

69/39 H/19/85198 – 39 Sydney Avenue, Hamble, Southampton SO31 4JQ

Single storey rear extension with flat roof.

Councillors considered the application and Cllr Dajka proposed, Cllr Ryan seconded and IT WAS RESOLVED the Council support the application.

70/39 H/19/84835 - 17 Tutor Close, Hamble, Southampton, SO31 4RU

First floor side extension.

Councillors considered the application and Cllr Dajka proposed, Cllr Rolfe seconded and IT WAS RESOLVED the Council support the application.

71/39 H/19/85272 - 11 SPITFIRE WAY, HAMBLE-LE-RICE, SOUTHAMPTON, SO31 4RT

Single storey rear extension.

Councillors considered the application and Cllr Thompson proposed, Cllr Rolfe seconded and IT WAS RESOLVED the Council support the application. *Cllr James left for the discussion of this item and didn't vote.*

72/39 F/19/85302 - Land off the B397, Hound, Hampshire, SO31 5FT

Installation of battery standby energy facility consisting of 13No. structures within a compound surrounded by 2.4 metre high security fence.

The Council considered this application but felt that there was insufficient information. They requested that further information be supplied that showed the height of the battery units, an indication of what they would look like in the location when scaled to the correct height and an indication about what the purpose of the facility was. There were concerns that it was going to precede and application for a solar farm in the vicinity. Cllr Ryan proposed, Cllr Dajka seconded and IT WAS RESOLVED that the Council objects to the application pending further information.

73/39 Planning Consultation – EAE027 - Hamble Primary School, Hamble Lane, Hamble-Le-Rice SO31 4ND

This application had come in after the publication of the agenda. Council agreed to delegate the decision to the Clerk to support the application given that it had done so on previous occasions. Cllr Rolfe proposed, Cllr Thompson seconded and IT WAS RESOLVED that the Clerk should respond to the application on its behalf using delegated powers.

DECISIONS

74/39 The Planning Committee noted the decisions that were on the Agenda and discussed the decision to approve application F/19/84834 – Existing Lifeboat Mooring South of Hamble Public Pontoon. The Committee was concerned that the decision created a precedent for development within the restricted mooring zone (Policy 156OS) and wanted further information from Eastleigh Borough Council about the basis for the decision. Cllr Underdown proposed, Cllr Rolfe seconded and IT WAS RESOLVED that the Clerk should write to Andy Grandfield and (a) request the reasons for the decision and why the interpretation had changed given the refusal of other similar applications; (b) Now that a precedent had been established what further protection could be put in place to stop further development; (c) request Andy Grandfield to attend a future meeting to discuss the situation.

It was also agreed that the Chair would email Cllr House as well.

Finally before the meeting ended Cllr I James tendered his resignation due to an increase in work commitments. The Chair on behalf of the Committee thanked him for his hard work and wished him all the best for the future.

There were no relevant enforcement items to discuss so no exempt business and the meeting finished at 7.45pm.