



East Area Committee 17 June 2004

7.30 – 9.05pm



Abbey, Coleridge, Romsey and Petersfield wards

Minutes & Actions

Present: Councillors:
Abbey John Durrant, Caroline Hart, Richard Smith,
Coleridge Jeremy Benstead, Lewis Herbert,
Romsey Iain Coleman, Catherine Smart,
Petersfield Kevin Blencowe, Ben Bradnack, Victoria Phillips

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04/20 OPEN FORUM

Hooper Street Garages

Mr M Haslop asked whether the access to the council garages at Hooper Street could be improved on safety grounds, possibly by extending the yellow lines. He supported the comments made at the Committee's meeting on 15 April on the vandalism and difficulties with parking in the area.

Cllr Bradnack undertook to look into the issue of the safety of the access.

Improving the Planning Process

A members of the public asked whether there had been any progress on the Residents Associations paper discussed at the last meeting on proposals to improve the planning process.

Members said that some further progress had been made, meetings had been held with Residents Associations' representatives and these would continue. The Area Committees would receive updates at a later meeting.

04/21 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 15 April 2004 were confirmed as a correct record.

04/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Callaghan and Ellis-Miller.

04/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Durrant declared a personal and prejudicial interest in planning application 4: 9A and 9B Abbey Street, as a Director of Jimmy's Nightshelter. He took no part in the discussion, did not vote and left the meeting for the duration of the discussion of the application.

04/24 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At the beginning of the debate of this item Councillors Bradnack and Benstead said that they would not be taking part in the determination of planning applications as it would inhibit their ability to represent residents in their wards. They also felt that they lacked expertise in planning matters and that the members of the Planning Committee had acquired such expertise and were the proper body to consider applications.

These members withdrew from participation in the Committee, except as indicated where they acted as ward councillors representing residents of their ward, and sat with the public.

The Committee noted that an amendment sheet had been circulated to members of the Committee prior to the meeting and made available to the public attending the meeting.

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Application No: C/04/0488/FP

Site: 101-103 Glisson Road

Proposal: Erection of 3 no dwellings following demolition of existing building.

Applicant: Montara Ltd, c/o Januarys, York House, 7 Dukes Court, 54-62 Newmarket Road, Cambridge

PSR:

Recommendation: Approve

APPROVED: (by 5 votes to 1) subject to the conditions, informatives and completion of a S106 Agreement set out in the officers' report.

2**Application No:** C/04/0334/FP**Site:** 271 Mill Road**Proposal:** Change of use from hobby/store room to a single self-contained dwelling (retrospective application)**Applicant:** Mr I Wyness, c/o First Site, 17 Norfolk Street, Cambridge**PSR:** Mr M LaBlonde (agent for applicant), Mr T Waite (supporting application)**Recommendation:** Refuse**DEFERRED:** (by 6 votes to 2) on the grounds that insufficient information was available to make a decision. The Planning case officer was to discuss with the applicant the way forward the applicant possibly with a view to withdrawal of the current application and submission of a fresh application.

It should not be assumed that provision of fuller material regarding access, bike parking and bin storage, and agreement to enter into a section 106 agreement revoking the previous permission for an extension (without compensation), would result in a favourable decision for the applicant.

3**Application No:** C/04/0498/FP**Site:** 217 Newmarket Road**Proposal:** Demolition of workshop building, extension of showroom, and linked alterations including erection of security fencing.**Applicant:** Wests Cambridge, 217 Newmarket Road, Cambridge**PSR:****Recommendation:** Approve**APPROVED:** (by 8 votes to 0) subject to conditions, informatives and the prior completion of a section 106 agreement by 7 July, requiring that no vehicles may be unloaded from car transporters or other vehicles designed to carry more than one car within 700 metres of the site.

If the agreement is not signed and sealed by 7 July the application shall be refused.

4**Application No:** C/04/0315/FP**Site:** 9A & 9B Abbey Street**Proposal:** Removal of Condition 03 of planning permission C/99/0949/FP to allow continuation of use of ground floor as study/office instead of garage.**Applicant:** J E Pocock, 33 Newton Road, Cambridge**PSR:****Recommendation:** Refuse**REFUSED:** by 4 votes to 2 for the reason set out in the officers report.**Enforcement action:** by 5 votes to 0, the Head of Legal and Democratic

Services be authorised to carry out enforcement action as set out in the officers' report.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

CHAIR

