

Planning Committee

27 May 2009
9.30am – 11.10am

Present: Councillors Baker (Chair), Blair, Blencowe, Dixon (Vice Chair),
Dryden, Hipkin, Stuart and Zmura

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL

09/plan/17 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2009 were confirmed as a correct record.

09/plan/18 Apologies

Cllrs Al-Bander and Reid

09/plan/19 Declarations of Interest

Code of Conduct personal interests were declared as follows:

None

09/plan/20 Planning Application

The Planning applications were determined as shown in the appendix to these minutes.

The meeting ended at 11.10am

CHAIR

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Appendix

Full details of the decisions, conditions of permissions and reasons for refusal may be inspected in the Environment and Planning Department, including those which the committee delegated to the Head of Development Control to draw up. These minutes and the appendix should be read in conjunction with the reports on applications to the committee, where the conditions to the approved applications or reasons for refusal are set out in full and with the Amendment Sheet issued at the meeting. Any amendments to the recommendations are shown in the appendix.

4.1	09/0344/S73
Site	24 Thompson's Lane, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB5 8AQ
Proposal	Variation of condition 3 of planning permission
Applicant	08/1610/FUL to allow the possibility of a restaurant Mr Mark Olden
Recommendation	9 Blore House 552 Kings Road London SW10 0RB APPROVE subject to conditions and informatives as stated in the officer's report.
Public Speakers	Simon Lewis (Objector) Sophie Pickford (Supporter) Cllr Bick – Ward Councillor Cllr Rosensteil – Ward Councillor
Reasons for refusal raised in debate	Members raised their concerns that Policy 8/9 had not been fully considered in the officer's report. They were concerned that to allow the provision for a restaurant would result in daily collections arising from waste, delivery of food and also an increase of visitors. The increase of deliveries could result in vehicles blocking the road.
Decision	REFUSED by 5 votes to 2, against the recommendation of Officers, for reasons based on Policy 8/9 (as above) of the Cambridge Local Plan (2006). The detailed wording for refusal to be drawn up by the Head of Development Services, subject to consultation with the Chair and Spokesperson.

5.1 Planning Appeal Performance Report

The Head of Development Services introduced the item and stated that Members had requested quarterly reports on planning appeal performance. This was the first of the reports which provided information over a rolling 4-year period.

Members commented on the report and stated that it would be helpful to know the cost of appeals to the Council and to the applicant concerned.

The Head of Development Services stated that the Appeals procedure would be added to the Member Training Programme and would run as a workshop in March 2010. Members requested a reminder to be circulated to Councillors in order to inform them of the workshop.

6.1	Objection to Tree Works Application: TWA 09/108/Tree 2: 23 Beche Road
Site	Beche Road
Recommendation	The Council raises no objection to the felling of the false acacia tree. The tree is not made the subject of a Tree Preservation Order.
Public Speakers	None
Decision	AGREED by 8 votes to 0 (unanimous) that members raised no objection to the felling of the false acacia tree.

6.2	Objection and Representations to felling and pruning of multiple trees alongside Vicar's Brook from New Bit to Coe Fen
Site	Vicar's Brook from new bit to Coe Fen
Recommendation	To advise the Executive Councillor for Arts and Recreation that the Committee supports the proposal to fell and prune several trees growing alongside Vicar's Brook where it flows through New Bit and Coe Fen, in accordance with the schedule and accompanying plan detailed at 2.1 of the additional amendment sheet.
Public Speakers	Mr Mike Lindop (Support of proposed tree works)
Decision	AGREED by 7 votes to 0 that members raised no objection to fell and prune several trees growing alongside Vicar's Brook where it flows through New Bit and Coe Fen, in accordance with the detailed schedule and accompanying plan attached at Appendix 1.