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Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Licensing Committee held remotely on 8 October 2020 at 18:00

Chair: Councillor G Guest.

Councillors: E Andrews, J Johns, L Knight and M Smith.

Others Present: S Reardon (Meeting Administrator), J Norris (Town Clerk), Councillor J Buczkowski.

PL50. Chair's Announcements

The Chair may make announcements relevant to the work of the Committee.

Note: Announcements are for information only and not for debate, discussion or questioning.

- a. Councillor G Guest stated that, at a recent meeting of DCC, it was stated that DCC is planning to conduct meetings remotely until May 2021.
- b. He further reported that he had attended a DALC AGM video meeting; it was fine but their fees are increasing by 2.9%.

PL51. Member Questions

This agenda item is to give Councillors an opportunity to ask questions which are relevant to the work of the Committee.

Note: questions are to be for the purpose of obtaining information and not for debate nor discussion.

Councillor M Smith understands from John Berry that the Siskin Chase access road was refused by a margin of the Chair's casting vote at a recent meeting. He finds it utterly indefensible that DCC can form the opinion that access via Siskin Chase instead of Colebrooke Lane in what could be construed as dangerous.

PL52. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors J Lochhead and K Haslett.

PL53. Declarations of Interests

To receive any Declarations of Interest from Councillors and Officers in respect of matters to be considered at this meeting, together with an appropriate statement regarding the nature of the interest.

Councillors and Officers are reminded of the requirement to declare any interest, including the type of interest, and reason for that interest, either at this stage of the meeting or as soon as they become aware of that interest.

There were no declarations of interests made.

PL54. Minutes

To agree the minutes of the Planning and Licensing Committee meeting held on 24 September 2020 (Supporting Paper A).

Resolved that the minutes of the Planning and Licensing Committee meeting held on 24 September 2020 are adopted as a true and correct record of the meeting and signed as such.

PL55. Public Participation

15 minutes is set aside at the beginning of the meeting to enable members of the public to raise matters which are relevant to the work of the Committee. Up to 3 minutes is allowed for each question. It may not be possible to reply straightaway and the question may only be noted and a written response sent at a later date.

As there were no members of the public present so this section of the meeting did not take place.

PL56. Planning Matters

To consider and make comment on the following planning applications received by the Planning Authority and available to view on the [Planning Portal](#) (Supporting Paper B):

- a. Former Astra Printing and Crown Works Site, Willand Road, Cullompton ([20/01577/FULL](#)). Variation of condition 2 of planning permission [17/02020/MFUL](#) to allow substitute and additional plans.

Resolved that the council has NO OBJECTION to planning application 20/01577/FULL.

- b. Footlands, Knowle Lane, Cullompton ([20/01531/OUT](#)). Outline for the erection of 2 dwellings with all matters reserved (Revised Scheme).

Resolved that the council has NO OBJECTION to planning application 20/01531/OUT. There is concern, however, that the width of Knowle Lane will be insufficient to support the wider allocation at Local Plan Policy CU14.

PL57. Update Reports

To receive oral update reports as follows:

- a. Neighbourhood Plan. The Neighbourhood Plan has been accepted by the Planning Inspectorate and the Planning Authority and now holds a decision statement stating that it is ready to proceed to Referendum. Until such time as a referendum has been carried out, It can now be referred to in responses to planning applications and will be given additional weight by the Planning Authority until such time as it is adopted.
- b. Garden Village Initiative. Neil Parish MP is confident that railway stations at Cullompton and Wellington will be in operation by 2026. There is also some design work being carried out on improving capacity at the M5 Junction 28. The Greater Exeter Strategic Plan remains uncertain after East and Mid Devon District Councils withdrew from it and these District Councils have now been instructed to develop their own Local Plans.

The Relief Road and the Cricket Club relocation planning applications will be considered by the Planning Authority at the same meeting of their Planning Committee.