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Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Licensing Committee held remotely on 25 March 2021 at 18:00

Chair: Councillor G Guest*

Councillors: J Buczkowski, K Haslett, J Johns, J Lochhead, M Smith.

Others Present: S Reardon (Meeting Administrator), 1 member of the public.

**for part of the meeting only.*

In the temporary absence of Councillor G Guest, Councillor K Haslett assumed the Chairmanship of the meeting.

PL146. 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.

The Chair had no announcements to make.

PL147. Apologies for Absence

To receive apologies for absence from Councillors unable to attend the meeting.

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor E Andrews.

PL148. 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.

Councillor J Lochhead declared a personal interest in PL151e as he is known to the applicant.

Councillor J Johns declared a personal interest in PL151e as he is known to the applicant.

Councillor G Guest joined the meeting at 18:04.

Councillor G Guest declared that, whilst he has had several meetings concerning PL151a, the last of these was approximately 8 months ago.

PL149. 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.

Speaker 1 – Stated his preference to speak on Planning Application DCC-4211-2020 when this point in the Agenda was reached. He was informed that, this being the case, the Committee would have to resolve to suspend Standing Orders.

PL150. Minutes

To agree the minutes of the Planning and Licensing Committee meeting held on 11 March 2021.

Resolved that the minutes of the Planning and Licensing Committee meeting held on 11 March 2021 are adopted as a true and correct record of the meeting and signed as such.

PL151. 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. Cullompton Community College, Cullompton ([DCC-4211-2020](#)). Construction of a Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) at land at Meadow Lane, Cullompton adjacent to the existing skate park.

Resolved that Standing Orders are suspended to allow the member of the public present to speak on Planning Application DCC-4211-2020.

A member of the public spoke against the application on the basis that according to the map supplied he feels that the placement of this development together with the height of the proposed fence, he would lose a significant amount of sunlight and his house and would suffer from a loss of a natural source of heat.

He also has an objection to the floodlighting being used until 2115 as this would flood his house with light until this time. He also referred to the conditions placed on the use of the staff car park at Cullompton Community College and the use of the skateboard park that were placed to protect his dwelling from, particularly, noise pollution.

Resolved that Standing Orders are resumed.

Resolved that Planning Application DCC/4211/2020 is SUPPORTED with additional measures to mitigate light pollution to neighbouring dwellings and removing as few existing trees as possible. There are also some concerns about the access to this development from the Community College and serious concerns surrounding its proximity to the proposed Eastern Relief Road. The site is also prone to flooding and this needs to be addressed.

Councillor G Guest assumed the Chairmanship of the meeting.

- b. Jane's Cottage, Hillersdon House, Cullompton ([21/00456/HOUSE](#) and [21/00457/LBC](#)). Permission and Listed Buildings Consent for the erection of a single storey extension and alterations.

Resolved that Planning Application 21/00456/HOUSE and 21/00457/LBC are SUPPORTED.

- c. 23 St Andrews Estate, Cullompton ([21/00267/HOUSE](#)). Erection of a side and rear extension.

Resolved that Planning Application 21/00267/HOUSE is SUPPORTED.

- d. Land at NGR 304251 107118 (Newlands Farm), Cullompton ([21/00349/FULL](#)). Demolition of agricultural building and erection of a replacement building for warehousing (Class B8 Storage and Distribution) and/or light industrial use, with associated retail use (Class E Commercial, Business and Service).

Councillor G Guest declared a personal interest as he has visited the site many years ago in order to assess the viability of a previous application at the site.

Resolved that Planning Application 21/00349/FULL is SUPPORTED.

- e. Land at NGR 302941 106405 (Upton), Cullompton ([21/00493/FULL](#)). Siting of 4 containers to be used as ancillary accommodation and 1 building to provide a bridal preparation area and meeting rooms in association with the existing D2 wedding use.

Councillor M Smith declared a personal interest as he is known to the applicants.

Resolved that Planning Application 21/00493/FULL is SUPPORTED.

PL152. Country Park Survey

To discuss the draft questionnaire concerning the public consultation with regard to the proposed Country Park in the Culm Garden Village.

Resolved to adopt the draft questionnaire concerning the public consultation with regard to the proposed Country Park in the Culm Garden Village with the changes made and to forward these changes to the Planning Authority.

PL153. Member Questions

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

There were no member questions.

PL154. Neighbourhood Plan

Resolved to hold an additional meeting of the Planning and Licensing Committee on Thursday 1 April 2021 commencing at 18;00 in order to discuss and take appropriate actions with regard to the Neighbourhood Plan Referendum due to be held on 6 May 2021.