



**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 16th MAY 2023**

Present: Cllr Harrison Cllr Foxall Cllr Shankland
Cllr Lipscombe-Kettel Cllr Stroud

In attendance: Roz Morton (Clerk), Cllr Rymer.

- PL001 23/24 To elect a Chairperson.**
Cllr Harrison was duly elected Chair, proposed Cllr Foxall, seconded Cllr Shankland, all in favour.
- PL002 23/24 To note apologies for absence.**
Cllr Thornhill
- PL003 23/24 Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda.**
None.
- PL004 23/24 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd May 2023**
It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd May 2023 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings. Proposed Cllr Lipscombe-Kettel, seconded Cllr Foxall – 4 in favour one abstention.
- PL005 23/24 Matters Arising.**
- **NDP** – has passed at referendum and will shortly be “Made” by CDC. Andrew Doherty & Joseph Walker are liaising to ensure the post referendum changes are made to the document. The Committee agreed to recognise the dedication of the Steering Group members, past & present, at the Annual meeting of the Town. All costs will be within the NDP budget.

ACTION: Clerk to invite the current Steering Group, plus Malcolm Cutler & Alison Hobson to the Annual meeting.

- **Lake 104 footpaths** – there is an ongoing enforcement case regarding the removal of hedges at Milestone Lake. The footpath discussed at plot W22 is yet to be made.

ACTION: Clerk to chase for an update on both of the above matters.

- **Welsh Way Solar Farm** - a community engagement open day was held on Tuesday 15th May. Cllrs Foxall & Harrison are attending a Councillor information visit on 16th May.
- **Land West of Hatherop Road - meeting with Gleasons**

ACTION: Clerk to arrange a meeting with Gleasons to discuss the application now that the NDP has been passed.

PL006 23/24 To agree to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation - there is a 5-minute time limit. N/A

PL007 23/24 To agree to reconvene the meeting following Public Participation. N/A

PL008 23/24 To review decision notices for PERMITS / CONSENTS received: Noted.
23/00568/FUL | Regularise use of land for B8 (Storage and distribution) purposes (part retrospective) | Land Parcel At E417506 N200533 Whelford Industrial Yard Whelford Road Fairford - **PERMIT**
22/04064/FUL | Construction of a wildlife pond | Mere Coach House Fairford GL7 4BT – **PERMIT**
There are some irregularities with the officer's report which have been flagged to CDC.

PL009 23/24 To consider NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS:
23/01200/FUL | **Variation of condition 2 (plans) of permission 20/01783/FUL - Erection of a new storage unit (Use Class B8) | Garners Field London Road Fairford GL7 4DS**
(Received CDC 05.04.2023. Validated CDC 27.04.2023. Notification FTC 28.04.2023 Deadline for response 19.05.2023) No comment.

23/01265/FUL | **Erection of two-storey side extension and single-storey rear extension | 11 The Garretts Fairford Gloucestershire GL7 4JA**
(Received CDC 13.04.2023. Validated CDC 28.04.2023. Notification FTC 03.05.2023 Deadline for response 24.05.2023) No comment

23/01292/FUL | **Change of use from hot food take away (A5/Sui Generis) to dwellinghouse (C3), demolition of rear outbuildings, erection of rear fence and alterations to front window | 19A London Street Fairford Gloucestershire GL7 4AH**
(Received CDC 17.04.2023. Validated CDC 03.05.2023. Notification FTC 03.05.2023 Deadline for response 24.05.2023) OBJECT

The Committee RESOLVED to OBJECT to this application on the following grounds:

As a proposed loss of a main town centre use within the town centre boundary, which arguably harms the vitality and viability of the Fairford centre, this is contrary to policy FNP18 of the Fairford Neighbourhood Plan, which now has full status as a post-examination plan, as well as part 5 of CDLP policy EC8, since this has significant amenity value for local people as a takeaway.

Conversion of the upper floor alone to residential use does not appear viable due to the small size of the premises.

The property lies within the Conservation Area and the 'demolitions' referred to are unclear from the drawings provided.

There is clearly an opportunity for another takeaway if the property was sold or let as is.

Proposed Cllr Foxall, seconded Cllr Shankland, all in favour.

ACTION: Clerk to submit OBJECTION as above.

23/01369/FUL | **Installation of 4 no. solar lighting columns to illuminate skate park | Land Parcel Known As The Walnut Tree Field Park Street Fairford Gloucestershire**
(Received CDC 24.04.2023. Validated CDC 24.04.2023. Notification FTC 10.05.2023 Deadline for response 31.05.2023). No comment.

PL010 23/24 To review the Planning Strategy in light of the NDP being passed at Referendum.

Cllr Harrison circulated a revised document. The committee agreed to include a sentence to state that the Council has an aim to be supportive of residents. Cllr Stroud agreed to write a sentence outlining the overarching tree strategy for the Planning Committee to adopt. Items circulated with "?" will be omitted.

With these changes, the Committee RESOLVED To adopt the Planning Strategy, proposed Cllr Foxall, seconded Cllr Harrison, all in favour.

Discussion took place regarding what stance the Council should take with regards to renewable energy solutions and planning applications. It was agreed to put this on to a future Agenda for further discussion.

ACTION: Clerk to make the changes and circulate the final document.

PL011 23/24 To consider and agree to review current active planning applications in light of the NDP being passed at Referendum.

In the first instance clarity is needed as to the status of planning applications that have been validated, but not decided with reference to having due regard to the NDP policies.

ACTION: Clerk to ascertain the position of the NDP and current planning applications and CIL and report back to Committee.

PL012 23/24 Items the Chairman considers urgent.
Cllr Stroud reported that he is attending a residents meeting with Justin Hobbs (Tre Officer CDC) at Lygon Court, to discuss their application.
Cllr Harrison will draft a list of planning issues that he wishes to discuss with the new District Councillors and send this to the Clerk.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange a meeting with Cllr Harrison & District Councillors.

PL013 23/24 Date of next meeting 6th June 2023.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.15pm

.....Chairman

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