

## 6<sup>th</sup> October 2020

In accordance with the Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 this meeting was held virtually.

Minutes of the proceedings of the **PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** meeting held on this day as a Virtual Meeting, from 19:30 to 20:40

### **PRESENT**

Chairman: **Cllr I Shepherd-Dubey**

Councillors: Cllr K Malvern, Cllr A Tebboth, Cllr A Mather, Cllr T Lack, Cllr M Fumagalli, Cllr P Dennis & Cllr D Hinton

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Technical Officer (P&T Officer) – Miles Thorne

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1)**

Cllr N Fox

### **MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Agenda Item 2)**

None

### **QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (Agenda Item 3)**

None

### **PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES (Agenda Item 4)**

**RESOLVED  
30193**

It was proposed by The Chairman and seconded by Cllr Lack and it was that the Minutes of the Planning & Transportation Committee meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> September 2020 (pages 16135 to 16138) be received as a true and correct record and that they be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

### **MONITORING REPORT (Agenda Item 5)**

The Monitoring Report dated 30<sup>th</sup> September 2020 was received and considered.

### **WOKINGHAM TOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Committee would like this to stay on the Monitoring Report. There are major changes to the Planning system currently going through and the outcomes of these changes may have impact on any decision. This will stay on the Monitoring Report for updates.

**ACTION P&T OFFICER**

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## **ADDING FLOWER DISPLAYS TO OUR BUS SHELTER ROOFS**

Cllr Hinton has been in touch with supplier and they have said that they are returning to work at the end of this month. Cllr Hinton will update once he has spoken to them and has clarification when work can take place.

**ACTION: P&T OFFICER**

## **GOVERNMENT CHANGES TO THE PLANNING SYSTEM (Agenda Item 6)**

To discuss the Government changes to the Planning System - "Planning for the future" proposal. This consultation ends on October 29th

It was agreed that Councillors would like to enter comments in response as individuals to this proposal.

**ACTION:P&T COMMITTEE**

## **STREET NAMING FOR MATTHEWSGREEN PHASE 5 (Agenda item 7)**

To discuss ideas for possible street names that would be recommended to use for the road names in this development. These are required by 11th November 2020. The Criteria is that the persons name recommended is deceased, had a noteworthy contribution to the community and the reasons for inclusion.

The Chairman suggested the following names;

**Robert Wyatt** and **Ann Davis**. Both are past Wokingham Town Mayors and distinguished figures in Wokingham.

Cllr Tebboth suggested **James Box**, the Wokingham Town Councillor who sadly died this year, while a member of the current Council. Cllr Tebboth said that this would be supported by his family.

The Committee agreed to investigate and return with further proposals for the next P&T meeting where the list will be finalised.

The P&T Officer will contact the Civic Officer for more suggestions.

**ACTION:P&T COMMITTEE, P&T OFFICER**

## **COMMITTEE'S BUDGET (Agenda Item 8)**

A report on the Committee's budget as of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 was received and noted

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**PLANNING APPLICATIONS (Agenda Item 9)**

The following applications were received and considered, and it was that the Committee would make comment as shown.

**RESOLVED  
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**202271 Montague House 31 Broad street RG40 1AU**

Application for Listed Building consent for the proposed minor alterations and refurbishment both electrical and of building repairs to the interior of a listed building.

The Committee have no objections.

It is good to see that a new Restaurant will be added to the Town.

The Committee were pleased that the interior changes were sympathetic to the heritage of the building.

**202065 54-58 Reading Road RG41 1EH**

Full application for the proposed erection of 34 no. retirement living apartments including communal facilities and associated car parking and landscaping, following demolition of existing 3 no. dwellings.

The Committee have no objections.

The Committee were pleased to see that solar panels will be used on the roof.

There are concerns about damage to trees but welcome that the proposal is to replace removed trees with more than those removed in new planting.

**202342 Quoin House Fishponds Road RG41 2QJ**

Application to vary condition 4 & 5 of planning consent 201328 for the Full application for the proposed change of use from offices (Use Class B1a) to a flexible mixed use comprising an eye clinic with ancillary administration hub and warehousing (Use Class D1) with erection of associated bin store, and offices (Use Class B1a), plus changes to external plant and fenestration. Condition 4 & 5 refers to 4. Plant Operating Times & 5. Hours of use and the variation is to allow opening hours on Sundays and bank holidays in order to meet NHS requirements.

The Committee support this application and welcome NHS businesses in the Town

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**201976                      20 Swift Close RG41 3SF**

Full application for the proposed change of use from amenity land to residential and relocation of boundary fence.

The Committee have no objections and support the use as a garden.

**202105                      3-5 Easthampstead Road RG40 2EH**

Application for Listed Building consent for the proposed change of use from offices (Use Class B1) to residential (Use Class C3) to create 4 no. flats – 1 no. one bedroom and 3 no. two bedroom - plus the erection of a single storey front extension to form a bin store, part conversion of existing garage to habitable accommodation and cycle storage, erection of privacy screen in rear courtyard and changes to fenestration.

The Committee have no objections. However there are some concerns about lack of car parking which could be mitigated by an increase in the proposed cycle storage.

**202259                      31 The Terrace Wokingham RG40 1BP**

Application for Listed Building consent for the proposed replacement and relocation of gas boiler from basement to first floor with exterior pipework.

No Objections

**ACTION: P&T OFFICER**

**INFORMATION ITEMS (Agenda Item 8)**

None.

**ACTION: P&T OFFICER**

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**CHAIRMANS SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_

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