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MINUTES

Meeting of: **Planning Applications & Transport Committee**

Date: **Monday, 14th June 2021**

Present: Councillors

J.	Goodman	(Chairman)
A.	Kilmartin	(Vice Chairman)
P.	Barlow	(arrived at 7.08 p.m.)
S.	Hicks	
C.	Jay	
C.	Lager	
M.	Lager	
C.	Livermore	
J.	Sheehy	(Town Clerk)
N.	Smith	(Deputy Town Clerk)
G.	Kennedy	(Planning Officer)

20. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Atwill who had a previous engagement.

RESOLVED That the apologies be received and accepted.

22. MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Applications & Transport Committee held 1st June 2021 be confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

23. INTERESTS

No interests were declared.

24. QUESTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No member of the press or public were present.

25. CLERK'S REPORT

The Planning Officer reminded Members that there would be a Teams Meeting at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 15th June 2021 to discuss the forthcoming consultation on the A12 widening scheme. Contact had been made with Countryside regarding the Woodend Farm development and a date for the meeting would shortly be arranged.

Members were also made aware of a recent email from David Smith about the Churchill Development and the apparent difference in level of the access road and the potential for flooding. The matter when first raised at the beginning of March was referred to Planning Enforcement. It was agreed that Councillor Kilmartin as the BDC Councillor for Central Ward would take this matter forward.

RESOLVED That the information be received and noted.

26. PART 1 APPLICATIONS

21/01041/HH

6 Driver Way, Witham

Erection of single storey detached 'log cabin' outbuilding

NO OBJECTION

21/01494/HH

98 Howbridge Road, Witham

Proposed front bay window

NO OBJECTION

21/01471/HH

12 Turstan Road, Witham

Single storey front extension

NO OBJECTION

27. PART 2 APPLICATIONS

21/01664/T56

Land adjacent Hatfield Road, Witham

Installation of 18m high Phase 8 monopole, 4no cabinets at ground level and ancillary works

Members agreed that it should be suggested that other more suitable sites should be considered.

RESOLVED That the District Council engage with the applicant to negotiate a more suitable site and consider ways to disguise the pole so it would blend in with surroundings.

21/01445/HH

76 Mill Lane, Witham

Conversion of integral garage into habitable accommodation, involving removal of garage door and installation of window, along with associated internal alterations; installation of entrance door to side elevation, replacement of front door, replacement of two windows to front elevation, removal of existing back door, addition of new window, bifold double doors and first floor window to rear elevation

NO OBJECTION subject to the advice of the Historic Building's adviser regarding materials.

**21/01584/VAR &
20/00185/FUL**

The Victoria Public House, Powers Hall End, Witham

Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) of permission 20/00185/FUL granted 17.4.2020 for; Erection of 2 x 4 bed two storey detached dwellings with associated access and parking. Variation would allow; extension of approved building plan rearward by 2.3m

Members agreed that the original decision should stand.

RECOMMEND REFUSAL on the grounds of over-massing of site and lack of amenity land contrary to LPP38.

21/01621/VAR

Benton Hall Golf Club, Wickham Road, Witham

Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Drawings) of permission 19/01980/FUL granted 01.6.2020 for: Change of use of land to site 18no. caravans, extension to overflow carpark, relocation of playground, creation of two tennis courts and spa garden with associated single-storey structures and associated hard and soft landscaping. Variation would allow revised illustrative Masterplan.

Members considered that the original Masterplan was preferable with the caravans round a central green.

RECOMMEND REFUSAL on the grounds of over-massing of the site.

21/01518/VAR

Witham Railway Station, Albert Road, Witham

Refurbishment of Albert Road Station entrance and new associated station building on eastern side of track, together with upgraded parking bays in the forecourt and improved cycle storage facilities. Variation would allow a new layout to reflect the increase of cycle storage

RECOMMEND APPROVAL subject to no representations from neighbours concerning potential noise.

28. REVISED PLANS

20/00808/FUL

111 - 115 Newland Street, Witham

Residential development comprising of 4 no dwelling houses and 3 no flats together with associated works and demolition of single storey outbuilding

Members agreed that the original decision should stand.

RECOMMEND REFUSAL on the grounds of over development, lack of parking provision in line with Essex Parking Standards and lack of amenity space contrary to RLP10.

29. DECISIONS

Decisions on planning applications pertaining to Witham were received.

RESOLVED That the decisions be received and noted.

30. BUSINESS AND INNOVATION PARK, GREAT NOTLEY

Details of Braintree District Council's consultation regarding the proposed update to the Local Development Order (LDO) for the creation of a Business and Innovation Park at Horizon 120, South of A131, Great Notley were received.

RESOLVED That the details be received and noted.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 7.16 p.m.

Councillor J. Goodman
Chairman

15.6.2021