



## MINUTES

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

Date: **Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020**

Present: Councillors: Mrs A. Kilmartin (Vice Chairman in the Chair)  
Mrs S. Ager  
S.E. Hicks  
Miss C. Jay  
M.C.M. Lager  
Mrs S.C. Lager  
  
Mrs J. Sheehy (Town Clerk)  
Mrs G. Kennedy (Planning Officer)  
Miss N. Smith (Assistant RFO)

### 190. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J.C. Goodman and Councillor C.S. Livermore who had previous engagements.

**RESOLVED** That the apologies be received and accepted.

### 191. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 were received.

**RESOLVED** That the Minutes of the Planning Applications and Transport Sub-Committee Meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### 192. INTERESTS

A non-pecuniary interest with regards to application number 20/00002/FUL – The Royal British Legion Memorial Hall, was received from Councillor Mrs A Kilmartin who resides in a property adjacent to the Royal British Legion and Councillors M.C.M. Lager, Mrs S.C. Lager and Mrs S. Ager who are all members of the Royal British Legion.

Councillor Miss C. Jay declared a non-pecuniary interest in application number 20/00019/FUL as she resides in Magnolia Close.

Councillor S.E. Hicks declared a non-pecuniary interest in application number 20/00014/VAR – Morrisons Supermarket, having already made representation to Braintree District Council and would therefore leave the Meeting at that point.

Later in the Meeting at application CC/BTE/101/19 – Land adjacent to Rickstones Road, Witham, Councillor S. Hicks disclosed a non-pecuniary interest as through his employment he teaches autistic children to drive.

**193. QUESTIONS AND REPRESENTATIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

There were no members of the press or public present.

**194. CLERK'S REPORT**

19/01318/FUL – 44 Cressing Road, Witham, Essex CM8 2NP  
Retrospective application for the retention of a single-storey outbuilding in the rear garden for use as a catering business.

An appeal has been made to the Secretary of State following Braintree District Council's refusal.

**RESOLVED** that Witham Town Council make written representation to the Planning Inspectorate in support of the application.

19/01334/FUL – 3F Moss Road, Witham, Essex CM8 3UQ  
Change of use from B1/B8 to gymnastics club (D2)

Members were informed that the application will be considered by Braintree District Council Planning Committee on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2020 and were asked if they wished to make representations.

**RESOLVED** that Councillor Hicks will attend the Planning Committee Meeting to make representation on behalf of Witham Town Council.

**195. PART 1 APPLICATIONS**

**20/00003/HH**

**63 HAYGREEN ROAD, WITHAM**

Single-storey side extension.

**NO OBJECTION**

**19/02043/FUL**

**UNIT C3, BRIARSFORD INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, WITHAM**

Installation of an internal mezzanine floor and installation of related plant to the external rear of the building.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00019/FUL**

**32 & 33 MAGNOLIA CLOSE, WITHAM** Installation of replacement louvre panels at first floor to rear elevation and replacement gates, panelling, railings and handrails to central communal area.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00020/FUL**

**29 & 30 SYCAMORE CLOSE, WITHAM**

Installation of replacement louvre panels at first floor to rear elevation and replacement gates, panelling, railings and handrails to central communal area.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00021/FUL**

**1 & 2 REDWOOD CLOSE, WITHAM**

Installation of replacement louvre panels at first floor to rear elevation and replacement gates, panelling, railings and handrails to central communal area.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00023/FUL**

**15 & 16 POPLAR CLOSE, WITHAM**

Installation of replacement louvre panels at first floor to rear elevation and replacement gates, panelling, railings and handrails to central communal area.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00024/FUL**

**37 & 38 POPLAR CLOSE, WITHAM**

Installation of replacement louvre panels at first floor to rear elevation and replacement gates, panelling, railings and handrails to central communal area.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00018/FUL**

**31 & 32 LIME CLOSE, WITHAM**

Installation of replacement louvre panels at first floor to rear elevation and replacement gates, panelling, railings and handrails to central communal area.

**NO OBJECTION**

20/00022/FUL

**27 & 28 REDWOOD CLOSE, WITHAM**

Installation of replacement louvre panels at first floor to rear elevation and replacement gates, panelling, railings and handrails to central communal area.

**NO OBJECTION**

20/00029/FUL

**11A-19B CYPRESS ROAD, WITHAM**

Replacement of external timber balcony railing with metal railings.

**NO OBJECTION**

20/00028/FUL

**3A-9C CYRESS ROAD, WITHAM**

Replacement of external timber balcony railing with metal railings.

**NO OBJECTION**

19/02177/ADV

**ROUNDAABOUT AT TESCO, THE GROVE, WITHAM**

2no non-illuminated roundabout sponsorship signs.

**NO OBJECTION**

19/02184/ADV

**ROUNDAABOUT AT HAWKES ROAD, HATFIELD ROAD, WITHAM**

2no non-illuminated roundabout sponsorship signs.

**NO OBJECTION**

19/02182/ADV

**ROUNDAABOUT AT GERSHWIN BOULEVARD, MALTINGS LANE, WITHAM**

2no non-illuminated roundabout sponsorship signs.

**NO OBJECTION**

19/02183/ADV

**MORRISONS ROUNDAABOUT, BRAINTREE ROAD, WITHAM**

2no non-illuminated roundabout sponsorship signs.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00025/FUL**

**22 HOLLY WALK, WITHAM**

Replacement of external timber balcony railings with metal railings to first floor rear and side elevations and replacement of external timber boarding with white cement boarding to front and side elevations.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00026/FUL**

**37 HOLLY WALK, WITHAM**

Replacement of external timber balcony railings with metal railings to first floor rear and side elevations and replacement of external timber boarding with white cement boarding to front and side elevations.

**NO OBJECTION**

**20/00089/NMA**

**LAND ADJACENT TO LODGE FARM, HATFIELD ROAD, WITHAM**

Non-Material Amendment to permission 18/01912/REM granted 26.03.19 for: Application for approval of Reserved matters (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and Scale) for Phase 2 comprising 61 dwellings and associated landscaping, access and parking, pursuant to the grant of outline planning permission Amendment would allow: Plot 217 to market ownership instead of shared ownership.

**NO OBJECTION**

**19/02214/ADV**

**ROUNDAABOUT NORTH OF MAYLAND HOUSE, THE GROVE, WITHAM**

3no non-illuminated roundabout sponsorship signs.

**NO OBJECTION**

**196. PART 2 APPLICATIONS**

**20/00001/TPO**

**110 HONEYSUCKLE WAY, WITHAM**

Notice of intent to carry out works to tree protected by Tree Preservation Order 20/19 – T1Norway Maple reduce by 4 metres in height and 2 metres off the site to shape to prevent future breakout of branches, control size of tree and shading when in full leaf.

**NO OBJECTION** Subject to the advice of the District Council's Landscape Officer.

**20/00015/HH**

**56 AVENUE ROAD, WITHAM**

Single storey rear/side extension and rear dormer roof extension.

Members were concerned that the proposed rear extension could be over-bearing as it would be on the boundary.

**RECOMMEND REFUSAL** as the ground floor extension will be detrimental to the neighbouring amenity.

**20/00014/VAR**

**MORRISONS SUPERMARKET, BRAINTREE ROAD, WITHAM**

Variation of Condition 2 "Approved Plans" of permission 1/01569/FUL (allowed under appeal PINS reference: PP/Z1510/A/13/2198996) granted 11/02/2014/ for: Erection of extensions to existing supermarket with associated works to existing car park. Variation would allow an increase in sales floor space, a refurbished customer café and new/refurbished food preparation area. Adjustments to existing car parking layout.

Councillor S. Hicks left the Council Chamber as he had declared an interest.

**NO OBJECTION** subject to a S106 Agreement to allow vehicular access from the mini roundabout to Cut Throat Lane.

Councillor S. Hicks returned to the Council Chamber

**20/00002/FUL**

**THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION MEMORIAL HALL, NEWLAND STREET, WITHAM**

Single-storey side extension.

Councillors Mrs S. Ager, Mrs A Kilmartin, M.C.M. Lager and Mrs S.C. Lager had all declared interests.

**NO OBJECTION**

**CC/BTE/101/19**

**LAND ADJACENT TO RICKSTONES ROAD, WITHAM, CM8 2SD**

A new 75 pupil send (Special Educational Needs) school, new access, pumping station, electrical substation and other associated works.

Councillor S. Hicks disclosed a non-pecuniary interest as through his employment he teaches autistic children to drive.

**NO OBJECTION** Subject to confirmation from Essex Highways that they are satisfied with the traffic safety issues.

**197. REVISED PLANS**

**19/01533/FUL**

**95 NEWLAND STREET, WITHAM, ESSEX**

This application was considered on 30th September 2019 and recommended for refusal on the grounds of timber framed windows and doors should be used in the Conservation Area, lack of detail regarding the proposed lighting of the front of the building, no information regarding the hours of operation, that the roof to the mortuary should be gabled, unclear how access will be achieved into the mortuary and lack of advice from the Listed Buildings Officer.

Members noted that the Listed Buildings Officer has now come back and agrees that the shopfront is inappropriate for the Conservation Area and the replacement door incongruous. The windows and door have now been changed but the materials are still to be powder coated aluminium.

**RECOMMEND REFUSAL** on the grounds of-

- Timber framed windows and doors should be used in the Conservation Area,
- Lack of detail regarding the lighting of the front of the building
- That the roof to the mortuary should be gabled
- No information regarding hours of operation
- Unclear how access will be achieved into the mortuary

**198. DECISIONS**

Decisions made by local planning authorities were received.

**RESOLVED** That the information be received and noted.

**199. TREE PRESERVATION ORDER – LAND OPPOSITE 98 – 102 HUMBER ROAD, WITHAM**

Members were informed that an order has been made for a tree on the above land to be subject to a Tree Preservation Order.

**RESOLVED** That the information be received and noted.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting at 7.05pm

Councillor \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman  
GK/NS/