

PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES - 6 NOVEMBER 2024

Present: Councillor Davies (Vice-Chair in the Chair) ;
Councillors Cresswell, Ennis, Hornsby-Smith, Leng, Lovelock,
Moore, Rowland, Tarar and Yeo

Apologies: Councillors Gavin and Goss

RESOLVED ITEMS

52. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 2 October 2024 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

53. POTENTIAL SITE VISITS FOR COMMITTEE ITEMS

The Committee considered a report setting out a schedule of applications to be considered at future meetings of the Committee to enable Councillors to decide which sites, if any, they wished to visit prior to determining the relevant applications. The report also listed previously agreed site visits which were yet to take place.

Resolved – That no additional site visits be arranged.

54. PLANNING APPEALS

The Committee received a report on notifications received from the Planning Inspectorate on planning appeals registered with them or decisions made and providing summary reports on appeal decisions of interest to the Committee.

Appendix 1 to the report set out details of one new appeal lodged since the last Committee. Appendix 2 to the report set out details of three appeals decided since the last Committee. Appendix 3 to the report set out a report on the following appeal decision:

PL/20/1104(FUL) – 10 EATON PLACE

Demolition of the existing building and redevelopment of the site to provide a residential building of 5 storeys (Use Class C3) and associated public realm improvements.

Informal Hearing.

Appeal dismissed.

Resolved –

- (1) That the new appeals, as set out in Appendix 1, be noted;
- (2) That the outcome of the recently determined appeals, as set out in Appendix 2, be noted;

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(3) That the report on the appeal decision in Appendix 3 be noted.

55. SECOND QUARTER PERFORMANCE REPORT - PLANNING & BUILDING CONTROL

The Committee received a report on the work and performance of the Planning Development Management team and Building Control team for the second quarter of 2024/2025 (July to September 2024) with comparison to previous years.

An update report was tabled at the meeting which gave an update on the Local Plan status. It explained that the current version of the Local Plan had been adopted in 2019 and had been reviewed in March 2023. Around half the policies in the plan were considered to still be up to date and the rest needed updating to reflect changing circumstances and national policy. A pre-submission consultation draft of the updated version of the Local Plan had been published on 6 November 2024 and the consultation would include drop-in sessions for the public on 26 November and 11 December 2024. Reports to the Committee explained the legal context of policies for decisions on planning applications and these would be amended appropriately in future reports.

Resolved - That the report and the position be noted.

56. PL/24/1092/REG3 - 10 IAN MIKARDO WAY, CAVERSHAM

Single storey flat roof rear extension to provide ground floor accommodation for wheelchair user.

The Committee considered a report on the above application. An update report was tabled at the meeting giving details of flood risk assessment. It was reported verbally at the meeting that an additional condition was recommended requiring compliance with the flood risk mitigation measures referred to in the update report.

Comments were received and considered.

Resolved –

That, pursuant to Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992, the carrying out of the development PL/24/1092 (REG3) be authorised, subject to the conditions and informatives as recommended in the original report and subject to an additional condition requiring compliance with flood risk mitigation measures.

57. PL/24/1212/REG3 - 5 CONWY CLOSE, TILEHURST

Proposed conversion of the integral garage is to provide a wheelchair accessible wet room and structural works to create an open plan ground floor family space.

The Committee considered a report on the above application.

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Comments were received and considered.

Resolved –

That, pursuant to Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992, the carrying out of the development PL/24/1212 (REG3) be authorised, subject to the conditions and informatives recommended in the report.

(The meeting started at 6.30 pm and closed at 6.52 pm)