Minutes of a meeting of Planning Committee held on Thursday, 25th July, 2019 from 7.00 - 7.18 pm

Present: G Marsh (Chair)

P Coote (Vice-Chair)

G Allen J Dabell D Sweatman

R Cartwright C Phillips E Coe-Gunnell White M Pulfer

Absent: Councillors R Eggleston, A MacNaughton and N Walker.

Also Present: Councillor Hussain.

1 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Councillors Walker, Eggleston and MacNaughton.

2 TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST FROM MEMBERS IN RESPECT OF ANY MATTER ON THE AGENDA.

The Chairman declared a non-determination interest in DM/19/1807 - Unit B, 208-216, London Road, Burgess Hill, West Sussex, RH15 9RD as he was a Cabinet Member when the lease to Pure Gym Ltd was approved at Cabinet The Chairman confirmed that he is no longer a Cabinet Member and he comes to the committee and consideration of the application with an open mind.

TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE HELD ON 4 JULY 2019

The Minutes of the meetings of the Planning Committee held on 4 July 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4 TO CONSIDER ANY ITEMS THAT THE CHAIRMAN AGREES TO TAKE AS URGENT BUSINESS.

The Chairman confirmed that he had no urgent business.

5 DM/19/1807 - UNIT B, 208-216, LONDON ROAD, BURGESS HILL, WEST SUSSEX, RH15 9RD

The Chairman introduced the report and confirmed with Members that they did not require a presentation from officers. He took Members to the recommendation to approve, which was moved by Councillor Coote and seconded by Councillor Coe-Gunnell White. This was agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED

That permission be granted subject to the conditions listed at Appendix A.

6 DM/19/2069 - 15-17 AND 19 THE MARTLETS, BURGESS HILL, WEST SUSSEX, RH15 9NN

Steve Ashdown, Team Leader for Major Development & Investigations, introduced the application which sought for the change of the use of the units from A1 retail to D1 library, effectively making an existing temporary change of use, permanent. He drew Members' attention to the Agenda Update Sheet which added further requirements for glazing arrangements to be in place prior to use to Condition 3.

Councillor Hussain, Ward Member, addressed the committee. He highlighted the need for the frosting of the staff room windows and welcomed the addition to Condition 3 making it a requirement. He however felt that the location of the Changing Places toilet was unsuitable as those with mobility disabilities would be required to travel upstairs via an elevator to access it.

The Chairman noted the Ward Member's concerns. He stated that the developer cannot be forced to change the location of the toilets however a letter could be written to the developer and West Sussex County Council requesting a change in the location of the toilets. He sought the committees' approval on whether officers could write a letter on the committees' behalf. This was agreed.

The Chairman took Members to the recommendation to approve, with the additional Condition 3 in the Agenda Update Sheet, which was moved by Councillor Coote and seconded by Councillor Phillips. This was agreed unanimously.

RESOLVED

That permission be approved subject to the conditions outlined at Appendix A and the additional Condition 3 as recommended through the Agenda Update Sheet.

7 DM/19/1361 - THE OLD SAND PIT, LONDON ROAD, ALBOURNE, HASSOCKS, WEST SUSSEX, BN6 9BQ

The Chairman drew Members to the Agenda Update Sheet and confirmed that this Item had been removed from the committee agenda following withdrawal of the Application by the applicants.

8 QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 10 DUE NOTICE OF WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN.

None.

The meeting finished at 7.18 pm

Chairman