

PLANNING COMMITTEE

8 June 2016 at 7.30 pm

MEMBERS: Councillor Samantha Bourne (Vice-Chair) and Councillor Muhammad Sadiq (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Margaret Court, Vincent Galligan, Patrick McManus, Hamish Pollock, Jason Reynolds, Tony Shields and Graham Whitham

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Kevin Burke, Councillor Mary Burstow attended as a substitute.

2. MINUTES

There were no minutes available from the meeting held on 18 May 2016 as they were marked to follow and will be approved at a future meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

5. APPLICATION NO. D2016/73856/FUL - 154 BEDDINGTON LANE BEDDINGTON CR9 4QD

Councillor Hamish Pollock, Pecuniary, as he was employed by the agent named in the application, and he left the room whilst the item was being discussed.

7. APPLICATION NO. B2016/73546/3FR – Manor Park Primary School, Greyhound Road, Sutton, SM1 4AW

Councillors Muhammad Sadiq, Margaret Court, Vincent Galligan, Patrick McManus, Hamish Pollock, Tony Shields, and Graham Whitham, Non-Pecuniary, as they knew Barry Russell from when he was a Councillor in Sutton from 2006-2010.

4. ORDER OF ITEMS

The Chair, Councillor Samantha Bourne, announced that items 4 and 6 were to be withdrawn from the agenda. As such, items were considered as follows in the minutes.

5. APPLICATION NO. D2016/73856/FUL - 154 BEDDINGTON LANE BEDDINGTON CR9 4QD

Councillor Hamish Pollock left the room whilst the rest of the Committee considered a report on the above application for the installation of concrete batching plant together with a 2.4m high chainlink fence.

A poll vote on the officers' recommendation to grant permission was held in accordance with Standing Order 31.4, when there voted:

To grant (9) Councillors Samantha Bourne, Muhammad Sadiq, Vincent Galligan, Jason Reynolds, Margaret Court, Mary Burstow, Graham Whitham, Patrick McManus, Tony Shields.

Resolved: That planning permission be granted for application No. D2016/73856/FUL, subject to the conditions, reasons and informatives set out in the Appendix to these Minutes.

6. APPLICATION NO. B2016/73546/3FR - MANOR PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL, GREYHOUND ROAD, SUTTON, SM1 4AW

The Committee considered a report on the above application for remodelling, refurbishment and extensions including single storey extension to main building to provide new studio, library and office, in connection with the provision of four additional classrooms, extension to kitchen to provide plant and store, removal and replacement of fire escape staircase, new

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P.E store and recladding of nursery and reception with new pitched roof together with new artificial play surface and running track and provision of additional cycle facilities.

Officers advised that if the Committee was minded to grant planning permission, the final decision for this application would be made by the National Planning Casework Unit (NPCU) on behalf of the Secretary of State.

Committee members asked Officers about the objection submitted by Sport England in order to clarify that the key point of their objection was regarding fencing surrounding the enclosed sports area. Councillors also discussed the proposed drainage at the site and the possibility of keeping some of the trees that would be removed under the application.

Barry Russell, Chair of Governors at Manor Park Primary School, addressed the Committee. The principal issues raised by Mr Russell were:-

- The current field was waterlogged all year round and as such the pupils were only able to use it 3-4 weeks of the year.
- A MUGA (multi-use games area) would allow the pupils to play all year round, and would have good drainage.
- The loss of trees would be turned into an educational experience where children can learn about trees and gardening.
- Sport England's objection was not about building on the field, but a fence that Manor Park Primary felt was unnecessary as the school had adequate fencing and security.
- Objections raising concerns about traffic were not significant when considering the school's small catchment area and very low percentage of pupils arriving to school by car.

Councillors discussed the need for school places in time for the predicted 2017 intake, and considered that Sport England had chosen not to attend to present their objection, nor had they attended the school to visit the site. Councillor Graham Whitham expressed his concerns about the loss of trees.

A poll vote on the officers' recommendation to grant permission was held in accordance with Standing Order 31.4, when there voted:

To grant (9) Councillors Samantha Bourne, Muhammad Sadiq, Vincent Galligan, Jason Reynolds, Margaret Court, Mary Burstow, Hamish Pollock, Patrick McManus, Tony Shields.

Against (1) Councillor Graham Whitham

Resolved: That planning permission be granted for application No. B2016/73546/3FR, subject to the conditions, reasons and informatives set out in the Appendix to these Minutes, and subject to approval by the NPCU.

7. ANY URGENT BUSINESS,

There was no urgent business.

The meeting ended at 8.13 pm

Chair:

Date: