Runnymede Borough Council

PLANNING COMMITTEE

1 September 2021 at 6.30 pm

Members of Committee present: Councillors M Willingale(Chairman), P Snow (Vice-

Chairman), D Anderson-Bassey, J Broadhead, D Cotty, R Edis, L Gillham, M Kusneraitis, M Maddox, C Mann,

I Mullens, M Nuti, J Sohi and J Wilson

Members of the Committee absent: Councillor T Burton

172 FIRE PRECAUTIONS

The Fire Precautions were read out.

173 NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Group mentioned below had notified the Chief Executive of their wish that the change listed below be made to the membership of the Committee. The change was for a fixed period ending on the day after the meeting and thereafter the Councillor removed would be reappointed.

 Group
 Remove
 Appoint instead

 Independent
 Cllr S Whyte
 Cllr T Burton

The Chief Executive had given effect to the change to Committee membership in accordance with section 16(2) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989

174 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28 July were confirmed and signed subject to an addition requested by Cllrs Mullens and Gillham in line 8 of para 4 of the Minute on Whitehall Farm of the words 'made under Standing Order 27.5' after the word 'request'.

However, subsequent to the meeting the CHDMBC reported that this addition was not factually correct. As per paragraph 2.6 of the officer report, the matter had been referred to Committee by him under his delegated powers and not under Standing Order 27.5.

However as per paragraph 2.6 the CHDMBC had reached this decision having given consideration to a number of Member requests and in light of the significant local interest in the matter.

Therefore, the Minutes would be resubmitted for confirmation at the next meeting with the replacement wording in the relevant paragraph shown in red below:

'The Planning Application had attracted significant interest from local residents and Ward Members. A number of Ward Members had contacted Officers after the consultation response had been issued requesting that the consultation response be reviewed by the Planning Committee. As this was a consultation response and not a formal determination on the award of a planning permission there were no legal or procedural reasons why this could

not occur. Whilst this was not normal practice, giving consideration to a number of Member requests, discussions with Cllrs Mullens and Gillham and in light of the local interest in the matter, the CHDMBC had agreed to the request for the matter to be referred to the Committee under his delegated powers to give Members an opportunity to review and give further consideration to the response. Members of the committee expressed their appreciation for that opportunity'

175 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Burton.

176 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The planning applications listed below were considered by the Committee. All representations received on the applications were reported and copies had been made available for inspection by Members before the meeting. The Addendum had also been published on the Council's website on the day of the meeting. No objectors or applicants had registered to speak.

RESOLVED that -

the following applications be determined as indicated: -

APP NO LOCATION, PROPOSAL AND DECISION

RU 21/0898 70 Vegal Crescent, Englefield Green

Demolition of garage and conservatory and the erection of a single storey side/rear extension, two small rear dormers and two rooflights to the front

Some comment was made over the parking layout on the site. However the CHDMBC advised that as there was no alteration to the current parking arrangement on site and no additional parking provision was required this was not a material planning consideration for this application

RESOLVED that-

The CHDMBC be authorised to grant permission subject to conditions, reasons and informatives listed on agenda

RU 21/0537 82 Station Road, Addlestone

Change of use of former Bank (E Class use) into mixed use:E Use class for restaurant use and take away (sui generis) including installation of extraction flue system to rear side .

Some Members considered that in view of the close proximity of residential premises and to protect the amenities of occupiers of those premises, the closing time of the premises on Sundays and Bank Holidays should be 22:00 hours and that closing time on Fridays and Saturdays should be 23:00 Members were supportive of the closure time for Sundays and Bank Holidays but some Members considered that the 23:00 closing time for Fridays and Saturdays would be too restrictive for the commercial operation of the business.

A motion that the closing time be 23:00 hours Monday -Saturday was lost.

It was then moved that the premises shall not open to customers outside the following hours:

Monday-Thursday 8:00-23:00 Friday/Saturday 08:00-midnight Sunday/Bank Holidays Noon-22:00

This Motion was passed and proposed condition 5 would be amended accordingly

RESOLVED that:

The CHDMBC be authorised to GRANT permission subject to conditions, reasons and informatives listed on agenda except condition1 be removed as per addendum and condition 5 be amended to read:

'The premises hereby approved shall not be open to customers outside the following hours:
0800 to 2300 Monday-Thursday
0800 to midnight Friday and Saturday
Noon to 2200 Sunday and Bank Holiday'

RU 21/0925 Land at St Peter's Hospital, Guildford Road, Chertsey

Erection of a single storey 'decant' facility for the Abraham Cowley Unit (ACU) for a period of up to three years

The Committee was fully supportive of this application

(Councillor Mullens apologised for her late arrival which was due to the timing shown on the website which advertised a later start time than the 6:30 pm start time stated in agenda, public notice and outlook invite).

RESOLVED that

The CHDMBC be authorised to grant permission subject to conditions, reasons and informatives listed on agenda

177 DRAFT PITCH AND PLOT ALLOCATION SCHEME FOR GYPSIES, TRAVELLERS AND TRAVELLING SHOWPEOPLE

The Committee received a new draft Pitch and Plot Allocation Scheme for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople for the pitches and plots allocated in the Runnymede 2030 Local Plan.

In brief, the allocation scheme:

- Sets out general background information on the pitches/plots being offered, including information on timescales for delivery and restrictions on occupation;
- Sets out the criteria that interested parties must comply with in order for the Council to confirm that they are eligible to acquire one of the pitches or plots on one of the allocated sites, including local connection criteria and evidencing that the planning definition of a Gypsy, Traveller or Travelling Showperson is complied with;
- Confirms how eligible applicants will be prioritised for market pitches;

- Sets out the additional eligibility criteria for any affordable pitches/plots that are delivered as well as additional information relating to how eligible applicants will be prioritised;
- Contains details of the evidence required to support an application for an allocated pitch/plot.
- Contains sections on data protection and privacy, equal opportunities and monitoring, appeals and reviews, complaints, fraud and the review mechanism for the allocation scheme.

The Committee complimented Officers on the quality of the report and approved the undertaking of public consultation on the draft allocation scheme for a period of 6 weeks commencing in early October 2021.

RESOLVED that

the draft Pitch and Plot Allocation Scheme for Gypsies, Travellers and Travelling Showpeople be approved for public consultation for a period of six weeks.

(The meeting ended at 7.35 pm)

Chairman