
REPORT OF STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

MEETING HELD ON 11 MARCH 2009

Chairman: * Councillor Marilyn Ashton

Councillors: * Husain Akhtar * Graham Henson (2)
* Don Billson * Manji Kara (1)
* Mrinal Choudhury * Julia Merison
* Keith Ferry

* Denotes Member present
(1) and (2) Denote category of Reserve Members

PART I - RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION I - Proposed Changes to Structure of Strategic Planning and Development Management Committees

In accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, a report of the Head of Planning was admitted late to the agenda to enable the item to be discussed at the next available Council meeting.

The report set out a proposal for the rationalisation of the Strategic Planning Committee and Development Management Committee into a single committee in the interest of efficiency and effectiveness. The same report would be submitted to the Development Management Committee at its meeting on 25 March 2009.

It was noted that this was the result of a significant reduction in planning applications received by the Council as a result of the slowdown in the economy.

Resolved to RECOMMEND: (to Council)

That (1) there be a return to a single decision making committee for all non-delegated planning decisions to be known as the Planning Committee and with the terms of reference as attached as an appendix to the report; and

(2) any consequential and necessary amendments to the Constitution be undertaken.

[The Committee wished it to be recorded that the decision was unanimous]

(See also Minute 366).

PART II - MINUTES354. **Attendance by Reserve Members:**

RESOLVED: To note the attendance at this meeting of the following duly appointed Reserve Members:-

<u>Ordinary Member</u>	<u>Reserve Member</u>
Councillor Thaya Idaikkadar	Councillor Graham Henson
Councillor Joyce Nickolay	Councillor Manji Kara

355. **Right of Members to Speak:**

RESOLVED: That no Members, who were not members of the Committee, had indicated that they wished to speak at the meeting.

356. **Declarations of Interest:**

RESOLVED: To note that there were no declarations of interests made by Members in relation to the business to be transacted at this meeting.

357. **Minutes:**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2009, be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

358. **Public Questions, Petitions and Deputations:**

RESOLVED: To note that no public questions were put, or petitions or deputations received at this meeting under the provisions of Committee Procedure Rules 19, 16 and 17 respectively.

359. **References from Council and other Committees/Panels:**

RESOLVED: To note that there were no references from Council or other Committees or Panels to be received at the meeting

360. **Representations on Planning Applications:**

RESOLVED: To note that no requests for representations had been received.

361. **Planning Applications Received:**

RESOLVED: That (1) in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, the following item be admitted late to the agenda by virtue of the special circumstances and grounds for urgency detailed below:-

<u>Agenda item</u>	<u>Special Circumstances / Grounds for Urgency</u>
10. Addendum	This contained information relating to the planning application on the agenda and was based on information received after the dispatch of the agenda. It was admitted to the agenda in order to enable Members to consider all information relevant to the item before them for decision.

and;

(2) authority be given to the Head of Planning to issue the decision notices in respect of the applications considered, as set out in the schedule attached to these minutes.

362. **Planning Appeals Update:**

The Committee received a report from the Head of Planning which listed those appeals being dealt with and those awaiting decision.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

363. **Urgent Non-Executive Decision - Woodpeckers and 9 Eastglade:**
The Committee received an Information Report concerning an Urgent Non-Executive Decision that had been taken. This decision related to removing a reason for refusal prior to a public enquiry for three planning applications on the site which incorporated Woodpeckers, Moss Lane, HA5 3AW and 9 Eastglade, Pinner, HA5 3AN.
- RESOLVED:** That the report be noted.
364. **Urgent Non-Executive Decision - Land at 1-16 Challiner Court, 1-12 Fern Court, 1-12 Price Court, 1-12 Hines Court and Richards Close, Harrow:**
The Committee received an Information Report concerning an Urgent Non-Executive Decision that had been taken. This decision related to the variation of the resolution in order to reword the required heads of terms for the unilateral undertaking for the avoidance of doubt as to which of the properties in Becket Fold were to be the subject of the undertaking.
- RESOLVED:** That the report be noted.
365. **Member Site Visits:**
- RESOLVED:** To note that there were no site visits to be arranged.
366. **Proposed Changes to Structure of Strategic Planning and Development Committees:**
(See Recommendation I)
- (Note: The meeting, having commenced at 6.30 pm, closed at 6.56 pm).

(Signed) COUNCILLOR MARILYN ASHTON
Chairman

SECTION 2 - OTHER APPLICATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR GRANT

LIST NO: 2/01 **APPLICATION NO:** P/3473/08/RH

LOCATION: 287-293 Whitchurch Lane, Edgware

APPLICANT: Banner Homes

PROPOSAL: Approval Of Reserved Matter (External Appearance) Pursuant To Permission P/3309/06 - Revised Drawings

DECISION: GRANTED permission for the development described in the application and submitted plans subject to the conditions and informatives reported, as amended on the Addendum, and the insertion of an extra condition to read:

Notwithstanding the submitted plans, the balcony on the west elevation second floor shall be a Juliet balcony and be constructed so as not to be a functional balcony upon which occupiers can stand or sit.

REASON: To maintain the amenities of nearby properties in accordance with Harrow Unitary Development Policy D5.

[The Committee wished it to be recorded that the decision to grant the application was unanimous].
