

ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a meeting held in the Meeting Room of Fairway Hall Offices, Brook Close, Borehamwood on **Tuesday 21 June 2022** at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllr C Butchins (Chair) (in the Chair)
Cllr Mrs S Parnell (Vice Chair)
Cllr R Butler
Cllr P Kaza
Cllr Mrs P Strack

In attendance: H R O Jones – Town Clerk

12. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

There were none.

13. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS

There were none.

14. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Planning Committee held on 23 May 2022 were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

15. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

16. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A total of 31 applications received from the Borough Council were examined on 26 of which the Committee had no specific objections to make, subject to the views of neighbours.

22/0927/MPO - Land at Coleridge Way

Application to modify a planning obligation dated 18.12.2019 to allow affordable rent with no market housing present in order to address housing need in the area, following application 18/2318/FUL for the erection of two link detached apartment blocks (3 & 4 stories) containing 18 x 2 bed apartment to include parking, access, amenity and landscaping

Observation: At its meeting on 21 June 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented the application constituted overdevelopment with a potentially negative impact on traffic flow.

[Post Meeting Note: Comments were submitted online through the Consultee comments facility].

22/0757/VOC - 34 Beethoven Road WD6 3DP

Variation of condition 5 (modifications) to allow for a single storey rear extension to new build house following grant of planning permission 21.0902/FUL)

Observation: At its meeting on 21 June 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it had concerns over the availability of adequate parking facilities.

[Post Meeting Note: Comments were submitted online through the Consultee comments facility].

22/0699/FUL - 23-25 Catterick Way

Demolition of existing single storey rear extension to Catterick Way.

Construction of single storey front porch extension and alterations to fenestration to 23 & 25 Catterick Way (Part Retrospective) Amended Plans received 14.6.22)

Observation: At its meeting on 21 June 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it considered that retrospective applications were outside of the ‘spirit’ of planning regulations.

[Post Meeting Note: Comments were submitted online through the Consultee comments facility].

22/0948/FUL E1 - Land North of Butterfly Lane, Land Surrounding Hilfield Farm & Land West of Hilfield Lane Aldenham

Installation of renewable led energy generating station comprising ground-mounted photovoltaic solar arrays and battery-based electricity storage containers together with substation, inverter/transformer stations, site access, internal access tracks, security measures, access gates, ancillary infrastructure, landscaping and biodiversity enhancements (re-submission of 21/0050/FUL E1)

Observation: At its meeting on 21 June 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it strongly objected to the application on the basis of overbearing scale and negative effect on the openness of the Green Belt.

[Post Meeting Note: Comments were submitted online through the Consultee comments facility].

22/0646/HSE - 42 Cranes Way WD6 2ES

Single storey side extension (retrospective application) amended plans received 15.6.22 – reduction in side extension width and inclusion of side guttering

Observation: At its meeting on 21 June 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it considered that retrospective applications were outside of the ‘spirit’ of planning regulations.

[Post Meeting Note: Comments were submitted online through the Consultee comments facility].

17. PLANNING DECISIONS

Details were received of decisions by the Borough Council relating to applications on which the Committee had submitted comments.

18. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Committee received an update from the Chair about the Neighbourhood Plan steering group which was scheduled to meet again on 22 June 2022 at Allum Manor.

It was RESOLVED that:

the Head of Planning at Hertsmere Borough Council be formally notified of the Council’s designation area for the Neighbourhood Plan (previously submitted to HBC and marking the entire boundary of the Parish).

19. CIL PROJECTS

Members received an update report on CIL Expenditure noting the following committed / Earmarked Expenditure:

Project	Amount	Note
Beryl Bicycles	£38,000	EMR Conditional on completion of Shenley Road cycle improvements
Projects Officer	£90,500	EMR (2 Year fixed term Contract)
Football Club Improvements	£125,000	Conditional on HBC funding £150,000 towards the project
Golden Gravel at All Saints Cemetery	Up to £35,000	Committed

20. PROJECTS UPDATE

Members welcomed progress on the following projects:

- All Saints Cemetery (commencing 8 August 2022)
- 10 “100 Years of Buses” Benches and Steve Simonds commemorative Bench

21. GROUNDS TEAM

Members received an update on the appointment of a Full Time Grounds Team Member (scheduled to commence work on 1 August 2022).

22. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 8.00pm.

It was noted that the next Environment and Planning Committee was scheduled to take place on Tuesday 19 July 2022 at 7.00pm in the Meeting Room, Town Council Offices.

Date:.....

CHAIRMAN.....