

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 **Monday 10 January 2022** at 7.00pm.

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

In attendance: H R O Jones – Town Clerk

45. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

There were none.

46. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS

There were none.

47. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Planning Committee held on 15 November 2021 were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

48. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

49. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A total of 43 applications received from the Borough Council were examined on 29 of which the Committee had no specific objections to make, subject to the views of neighbours.

21/2249/HSE - 44 Elmwood Avenue WD6 1SZ

Retention of front porch

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that retrospective applications were outside the 'spirit' of planning law and regulations.

[Post Meeting Note: At the time of the meeting there was no availability to submit comments through the Consultee comments facility – Comments were forwarded to the Planning Officers at HBC].

21/2256/HSE - 44 Elmwood Ave WD6 1SZ

Retention of extended eaves of single storey rear extension

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that retrospective applications were outside the ‘spirit’ of planning law and regulations.

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

21/2254/VOC Land at Windsor Close 1-15 Windsor Close and 80-104 Gateshead Road and 1-15 Stannington Path, Borehamwood

Application for variation of pre-commencement condition 10 to amend the wording from “No development shall commence” to “No works other than demolition shall commence” following grant of planning permission 19/0321/FUL

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it approved that the application had progressed.

[Post Meeting Note: At the time of the meeting there was no availability to submit comments through the Consultee comments facility – Comments were forwarded to the Planning Officers at HBC].

21/2273/FUL - Boreham Wood Football Club Broughinge Road

Formation of new vehicle access and ramp and crossover, additional replacement vehicle parking, dedicated TV outside broadcast compound, creation of a new fan zone with turnstiles, toilets and burger bar and associated alteration to boundary walls and fences

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it welcomed the application which would be of benefit to residents and supporters of Boreham Wood Football Club.

[Post Meeting Note: At the time of the meeting there was no availability to submit comments through the Consultee comments facility – Comments were forwarded to the Planning Officers at HBC].

21/2290/FUL - Meadow Park, Broughinge Road

Installation of a splash park to include a “splash pad” area containing at least 20 jets/fountains and play features and a new plant-room

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it welcomed the application which would benefit residents and visitors to Meadow Park and create an attractive amenity/leisure space.

[Post Meeting Note: At the time of the meeting there was no availability to submit comments through the Consultee comments facility – Comments were forwarded to the Planning Officers at HBC].

21/2319/HSE - 20 The Rise Elstree

Retrospective application for single storey rear infill extension and associated roof alterations

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that retrospective applications were outside the ‘spirit’ of planning law and regulations.

[Post Meeting Note: At the time of the meeting there was no availability to submit comments through the Consultee comments facility – Comments were forwarded to the Planning Officers at HBC].

21/2300/FUL - Land to the Rear of 52 Stratfield Road/Badminton Close

Construction of a detached 3 bed dwelling to include raised roof height, insertion of roof lights to both side elevations and enlargement of flank window following grant of planning permissions 19/1492/FUL & 20.0963/FUL (retrospective application)

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that retrospective applications were outside the 'spirit' of planning law and regulations.

[Post Meeting Note: At the time of the meeting there was no availability to submit comments through the Consultee comments facility – Comments were forwarded to the Planning Officers at HBC].

21/2340/FUL Telecommunications Equipment on Grass Verge At Junction of Gateshead Road/Leeming Road Roundabout

Replacement of existing 12.5m mast and associated antennae with new 20m mast with 6 antennae and ancillary support units, an additional cabinet and development works ancillary thereto

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it would be preferable if the new structure was better suited to its environment taking into account its colour and the nearby trees.

[Post Meeting Note: At the time of the meeting there was no availability to submit comments through the Consultee comments facility – Comments were forwarded to the Planning Officers at HBC].

21/2308/FUL - 2 Gateshead Road WD6 4NQ

Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of 2 x 4 bed town houses, 2 x 2 bed apartments and 2 x 3 bed duplex apartments with basement level car parking and associated landscaping

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that the application constituted overdevelopment.

[Post Meeting Note: At the time of the meeting there was no availability to submit comments through the Consultee comments facility – Comments were forwarded to the Planning Officers at HBC].

21/2341/FUL - 28 Oddesey Road WD6 5JP

Retrospective application for erection of replacement 3 bed, semi-detached dwelling following demolition/part demolition

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that retrospective applications were outside the 'spirit' of planning law and regulations.

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

21/2122/FUL 2 Furzehill Road WD6 2DF

Demolition of existing building and construction of a 4 storey detached building to provide 8 x self-contained flats with associated off-street parking, soft landscaping, refuse storage and cycle store

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that the application constituted overdevelopment with loss of street scene.

[Post Meeting Note: At the time of the meeting there was no availability to submit comments through the Consultee comments facility – Comments were forwarded to the Planning Officers at HBC].

21/2397/ADV Bus Shelter Outside McDonalds Shenley Road

Replacement of existing double-sided internally illuminated 6 sheet Bus Shelter advertising displays with double-sided digital advertising displays (Advertisement Consent)

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it recommended the side of the shelter facing the approaching bus be kept clear for the benefit of passenger visibility.

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

21/2403/ADV Bus Shelter Outside Elstree UTC, Elstree Way

Replacement of existing double-sided internally illuminated 6 sheet Bus Shelter advertising displays with double-sided digital advertising displays (Advertisement Consent)

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it recommended the side of the shelter facing the approaching bus be kept clear for the benefit of passenger visibility.

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

21/2404/ADV Bus Shelter Opposite Oaklands College Elstree Way Replacement of existing double-sided internally illuminated 6 sheet Bus Shelter advertising displays with double-sided digital advertising displays (Advertisement Consent)

Observation: At its meeting on 10 January 2022 the Environment and Planning Committee commented that it recommended the side of the shelter facing the approaching bus be kept clear for the benefit of passenger visibility.

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

50. PLANNING DECISIONS

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

The Committee commented that it regretted Hertsmere Borough Council's decision to grant permission for Land at Cowley Hill Stables, Cowley Hill, WD6 5NA (20/2141/FUL) as it was felt that this development would not ease the housing situation in Borehamwood and it did not approve of the nature of the housing proposed.

51. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

It was RESOLVED that:

- (i) the "Launch Event" of the Neighbourhood Plan be set for Saturday 5 March 2022 (2.00pm to 4.00pm) to be held at Fairway Hall with the intention of appointing a Working Party; and**
- (ii) details of (i) above be advertised in the Spring 2022 (Ed 45) Town Crier.**

52. CIL PROJECTS

It was noted that the Sustainable Transport Sub-Committee was considering the “cycle scheme” at its meeting on 11 January 2022 with Dr Jain - Climate Change & Sustainability Officer (HBC) scheduled to provide an update report on the tender process.

It was RESOLVED that:

a recommendation to Full Council be agreed, in principle, to a scheme being eligible for top sliced CIL funding by the Town Council (i.e. c.£60,000 top sliced CIL funding - 15% of total cost) for the Hertsmere Borough Council led “cycle scheme” (hire bicycles) subject to:

- details of other contributory funding from other sources
- possible use of S.106 monies to fund the scheme
- further information about the impact of the scheme on the high street in Borehamwood; and
- the extent/range of the scheme within the Parish area.

53. PROJECTS UPDATE

There was no update report at this meeting.

54. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Meeting closed at 7.50pm.

It was noted that the next Environment and Planning Committee was scheduled to take place on 15 February 2022 at 7.00 pm in the Meeting Room, Town Council Offices. It was also noted that the next Sustainable Transport Sub-Committee meeting was scheduled to take place immediately prior to this meeting, commencing at 6.00pm.

Date:.....

CHAIRMAN.....