

**MINUTES of the Environment and Planning Committee – 17 April 2008**

**ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES** of the meeting held in Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2008, starting at 7.30pm

PRESENT: Councillors: H David - Chairman  
J Heywood, M Heywood and P Hedges

In attendance: C A Lloyd, Town Clerk

**1. APOLOGIES FOR NON-ATTENDANCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Cllr J. Heywood had substituted for Cllr A. Mitchell. Apologies had been received from Cllr R. Butler.

**2. URGENT LATE ITEMS**

The Chairman advised that she had agreed to consider the following applications as urgent late items to enable a response to be submitted to the Local Planning Authority within the deadline.

- TP/08/0308 – 38 Carrington Ave. Borehamwood
- TP/08/0443 – The Marians, Barnet Lane, Elstree
- TP/08/0519 – 61 – 73 Shenley Road, Borehamwood
- TP/08/0572 – 15 Leeming Road, Borehamwood

**3. DECLARATIONS OF COUNCILLORS' INTERESTS**

Cllr J. Heywood declared a personal interest as a Member of the County Council.

Cllr M. Heywood declared a personal interest in application TP/08/0329 – 7<sup>th</sup> Borehamwood Scout Group as he had previously been involved in discussions with the developer.

Cllr H. David declared a prejudicial interest in application TP/08/0458 – 5 Park Crescent, Elstree as a friend of the applicant and withdrew from the meeting during its discussion. Cllr M. Heywood was Chairman during discussion of this item.

Cllr H. David, Cllr M. Heywood, Cllr J. Heywood declared a prejudicial interest in application 08/0481 – 26 Links Drive, Elstree as Members of the same political party as the applicant. Cllr P. Hedges declared a personal interest as the applicant was personally known to him. The application was therefore not discussed at the meeting and a response of no comment returned to the Local Planning Authority.

**4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 MARCH 2008**

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2008 were signed as a true record.

**5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS - HERTSMERE BOROUGH COUNCIL**

A total of 30 applications received from the Borough Council were examined. The Clerk was requested to make the observations as detailed in Appendix A to these minutes.

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**6. DECISIONS**

Decisions by the Borough Council relating to applications on which the Committee had submitted comments were RECEIVED as detailed in Appendix B to these minutes.

**7. APPLICATION FOR A GREEN WASTE RECYCLING UNIT AT ELSTREE HILL SOUTH, ADJOINING A41 ROUNDABOUT**

Notification of a Planning Application for a new Green Waste Recycling Unit which will receive, chip and shred green waste had been received from Hertfordshire County Council.

The site was within the Green Belt and involved traffic movements in of 60 Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGV) and 60 HGV out of the site. Operating hours would be 6am – 6pm Monday – Saturday with the chippers & shredders operating between 8am and 4.30pm Monday – Friday.

Members were advised that there were no further details to the application other than those attached to the report. The applicant had given no indication as to where the waste would come from, nor submitted a traffic impact study. The applicant had defined the HGV lorries as 8 wheeled HGV but given no weight limit. Furthermore the applicant had not cited any special circumstances that existed to permit such a development in the Green Belt.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to object to the proposals as the applicant had failed to provide sufficient information on the impact of the development nor had they given any reason as to why this development should be permitted in the Green Belt.

**8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Committee was scheduled to take place at 7.30pm on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2008 at Fairway Hall.

**9. CLOSURE**

The Meeting closed at 8.25pm

CHAIRMAN.....

Date:.....