#### SOUTH SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL

(CENTRAL SWINDON SOUTH PARISH COUNCIL)

# **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2018 at 7.20 pm in Lounge, Broadgreen Community Centre

- Present Cllr B Thompson (Chair) Cllr N Watts (Vice-Chair) Cllr N Burns-Howell Cllr P Dixon Cllr J Firmin Cllr M Gladman **Cllr N Hopkins** Cllr M J Miah Cllr J Miah Cllr J Milner-Barry Cllr D Pajak Cllr S Pajak **Cllr T Philpot** Cllr T Robson Cllr I Shaikh Cllr C Watts
- Officers Joyce Holman (Parish Clerk)
- Public Twelve
- PublicThe Chair explained that the meeting would suspended to allow the public to askSessionquestions of OSP Architecture about the Planning Application for the Bus Depot in<br/>Eastcott Road. There were no questions or comment from the public about other issues.

#### 368 Apologies

Cllr J Ali Cllr S Allsopp Cllr M Dickinson Cllr A Hawkins Cllr J Howarth Cllr J Short Cllr D Wood

#### 369 <u>Declaration of Interest & Applications for Dispensation</u> None

#### 370 Planning Application No S/17/1777 – Bus Depot, Eastcott Road

Standing Orders were suspended to allow a presentation to be made by OSP Architecture providing more details of the Planning Application for the Bus Depot, Eastcott Road.

This was followed by questions from the public and Councillors, see Appendix A to these Minutes.

Standing Orders were reinstated

## 371 <u>Planning Applications</u>

371.1 S/17/1948/NISM S/17/1961/NISM Commonhead Site Swindon Erection of 33 no dwellings and associated works; Erection of 28no. dwellings (13 no. @ Ra & 15no. @ R7b) and associated works

**DECISION:** Objection for the following reasons:

1. The original Planning Permission was granted by the Secretary of State on appeal and that Planning Permission stipulated the number of houses to be 890. It should not be possible to increase the number of houses from that figure without reference back to the authority that granted the Planning Permission.

2. If Planning Permission was granted for more dwellings then it would create a precedent where a smaller number of dwellings were included in a Planning Application in the knowledge that additional number could be added at a later date without the need to go through the full Planning Application procedure.

3. The Section 106 Funding and other mitigation measures would have been based in 890 houses. If additional houses are to be built, then there needs to be a review of the mitigation measures.

4. The Parish Council request that this is considered by the Planning Committee if the Officer is minded to grant Planning Permission.

#### 371.2 S/17/1956/NISM

Commonhead Site Swindon

Erection of a local centre comprising retail units (Class A1) community hall (Class D1), day nursery (Class D1) and 20no. residential units with associated work; Change of use of former engineering workshop (Class B8) to dwelling (Class C3) and erection of 2no. cottages and 1no. coach house plus associated works

**DECISION:** Objection for the following reasons:

1. The community centre space it totally unsuitable for use by the community. The room is tiny and there is no storage shown for the room. There are only 2 toilets on the plan that are access directly from the hall. The kitchen only looks to have enough space for one person to use.

2. Loss of amenity to neighbouring properties. The Community centre is directly abutting residential properties and any noise from the community centre will affect the residential properties.

3. Has there been any public consultation regarding this community centre as the Parish Council is confident that this would not be acceptable to local residents.

4. The Parish Council request that this is considered by the Planning Committee if the Officer is minded to grant Planning Permission.

## 372 Planning Applications delegated to the Chair & Vice-Chair

The Clerk submitted a report containing the delegated responses of the Chair and Vice-Chair a copy of which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book. **RESOLVED** that the responses of the Chair and Vice-Chair that appear as Appendix B be approved.

## 373 Planning Decisions

The Clerk submitted for information a report containing the decisions made by Swindon Borough Council a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the Minute Book.

#### 374 PA S/17/0809 57 Eastcott Road

The Clerk submitted an email date 3 January 2018 from Cllr Dixon a copy of which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book.

The email informed Councillors that the applicant had lodged an appeal with the Planning Inspectorate. The views of the Parish Council would be sent to the Planning Inspectorate and the Chair asked Councillors to speak to the Clerk if they had any further comments to make in respect of the Planning Application.

## 375 Roundabout Advertising

The Clerk submitted an email dated 13 December 2017 from the Rights of Way and Highway Information Manager at Swindon Borough Council a copy of which appears as Appendix E in the Minute Book.

The email provided details of the current arrangements for the sponsoring of roundabouts which the Parish Councils were now contributing to maintain. Councillors stated that they thought the Parish Council could take this in house and they asked the Clerk to find out more information and bring this back to a future meeting.

#### 376 Match Day Parking – Copse Avenue

The Clerk submitted an email dated 12 December 2017 from the Traffic & TRO Technician at Swindon Borough Council a copy of which appears as Appendix F in the Minute Book.

The email gave details of a scheme for parking restrictions on match day at Copse Avenue. Councillors agreed that there were no comments at this point in time, but they would be interested to see the results of the consultation with residents planned.

## 377 Pipers Way – Bus Lane

The Clerk submitted an email dated 19 December 2017 from the Assistant Project Manager Highways at Swindon Borough Council a copy of which appears as Appendix G in the Minute Book

The email provided details of the proposed scheme for Pipers Way. Cllr N Watts said that the plan had taken into consideration the need for a bus lane and cycle way.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council supports the scheme for Pipers Way detailed in Appendix G.

## 378 Land at Alexander House, Fleming Way

The Clerk submitted an email dated 21 December 2017 from the Head of Non-Operational Property at Swindon Borough Council a copy of which appears as Appendix H in the Minute Book.

The email referred to the lease of land at Fleming Way and the request for an extension to the lease.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Council has no objection to the extension of a lease for Alexander House.

The meeting closed at 9.00 pm

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| Date                 | <br> |  |
| Chair of the Council |      |  |