

SOUTH SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL
(CENTRAL SWINDON SOUTH PARISH COUNCIL)

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 28 November 2017 at 6.30 pm
in Lounge, Broadgreen Community Centre

- Present** Cllr B Thompson (Chair)
Cllr N Watts (Vice-Chair)
Cllr N Burns-Howell
Cllr J Firmin
Cllr J Howarth
Cllr M J Miah
Cllr J Miah
Cllr J Milner-Barry
Cllr S Pajak
Cllr T Philpot
Cllr J Short
Cllr C Watts
Cllr D Wood
- Officers** Joyce Holman (Parish Clerk)
- Public** One
- Public Session** The member of the public informed Councillors that a tent had appeared in the play area at Euclid Street. The Chair stated that this was something that the Environment Officer, who was starting next week would monitor.
- 299** **Apologies**
Cllr J Ali
Cllr S Allsopp
Cllr M Dickinson
Cllr P Dixon
Cllr M Gladman
Cllr A Hawkins
Cllr N Hopkins
Cllr D Pajak
Cllr T Robson
- Not Present**
Cllr I Shaikh
- 300** **Declaration of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**
None.
- 301** **Planning Applications**
- 301.1** **S/17/1707/HC** Change of use of 2 no. dwellings to 6no. self-contained apartments and two storey rear extension (Retrospective)
175-176 Manchester Road
SN1 1TU

DECISION: Objection for the following reasons:

1. Does not conform to Swindon Borough Council's Local Plan 2016 Policy HA4 – Subdivision of housing and houses in multiple occupancy.
2. The original Planning Permission has not been carried out and the original building has been changed instead of a re-build. The Parish Council does not accept the view of the agent when they say that the end result is the same.
3. The Parish Council would like this Planning Application to be considered by Swindon Borough Council's Planning Committee and an example made that developers cannot obtain Planning Permission for a rebuild and then carry out work that is totally different and then apply for retrospective Planning Permission. They knew from the outset that they did not have Planning Permission for the work that was carried out. By bringing this into the public realm it should discourage other developers from following this example.

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S/17/1777/CB

Bus Depot
Eastcott Road
Old Town
SN1 3LS

Demolition of existing buildings, erection of new buildings and conversion of existing buildings to 45no. residential units with pedestrian access and associated parking

DECISION: Objection for the following reasons:

1. Loss of amenity of adjacent properties. The design of the development means that the new residential units will be around the edge of the site, leaving a large space in the centre of the plot. This will mean that existing properties will be overlooked by the development.
2. Parking. The spaces shown on the plans are very narrow and do not conform to the correct size. If the parking spaces were shown to be the correct size, it is unclear whether this would provide sufficient parking for the development.
3. The entrance/exit of the pedestrian path on South Street would be dangerous for pedestrians to use as there is no pavement on that side of the road and pedestrians would step straight out onto the road. The view of pedestrians would also be obscured by the wall.
4. The Parish Council is disappointed that the developer has not held any public consultation or provided any presentation to the Parish Council about their plans. The Parish Council would welcome such a presentation.
5. The Parish Council would like this Planning Application to be considered by Swindon Borough Council's Planning Committee in order that full details of the plans can be considered in full before a decision is made.

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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 A in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the responses of the Chair and Vice-Chair that appear as Appendix A be approved.

303 Planning Decisions

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

304 StreetSmart – New Reporting

The Clerk submitted the StreetSmart Grounds Maintenance Update and Review dated October 2017 a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the Minute Book.

The report gave details of the work carried out by StreetSmart during the summer and contained photographs of maintenance carried out in the Autumn. Cllr Wood said that he would like to see more detail in the report especially the amount of time litter picking took place, as he had been led to believe that this had been reduced. Cllr Short agreed with the need for more information about rotas and costs, which he knew were easily available.

The Clerk was asked to find out more details and bring this back to a future meeting.

305 New Eastern Villages (NEV) Southern Connector Road – Information Event

The Clerk submitted a letter dated 10 November 2017 from the Strategic Allocations Planning Manager at Swindon Borough Council a copy of which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book.

It was agreed that Cllr Firmin would attend the meeting on 29 November 2017 and report back to the next Committee Meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.05 pm

Signed.....
Date.....
Chair of the Council