

**SOUTH SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL**  
(CENTRAL SWINDON SOUTH PARISH COUNCIL)

**PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting held on 09 July 2019 at 7.15pm  
in the Main Hall, Broadgreen Community Centre

**Present** Cllr T Philpot (Chair)  
Cllr P Herring (Vice Chair)  
Cllr S Ahmed  
Cllr N Hopkins  
Cllr J Firmin  
Cllr M J Miah (Sub Cllr S Ahmed)  
Cllr M Strinkovsky  
Cllr C Watts  
Cllr N Watts  
  
Cllr S James (Not Committee Member)

**Officers** Rob Core Clerk  
Jake Mee Deputy Clerk

**Public** Five

**Public Session** A member of the public stated that the planning refusal appeal for Radnor Street School in Agenda Item 8 was a dual appeal against the refusal of permission and the requirement to reinstate the property.

**755** **Apologies**  
Cllr S Ahmed  
Cllr Md A Hamid

**756** **Declaration of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**  
None

**757** **Planning Applications to be Examined**

**757.1** **S/18/0447**  
13 Cricklade Street  
Old Town  
Swindon  
SN1 3EZ  
Demolition of existing workshops and erection of 10 no. dwellings. Conversion of existing store to provide 2no. dwellings.

Cllr P Herring stated that almost all of the units were under-size according to National Guidance. Dwelling 1- possible problem with lack of natural light, main windows are north facing and south facing only has a small viewing panel in the front door. Also means that there are no security benefits from having Little London Road overlooked by windows; remains an effectively blind alley.

Concern about overshadowing from the south by Cricklade Court, which is only 2m away and 3 stories tall. This would seem to block most of the light into the lounges of dwellings 7 & 8 in particular and into bedrooms of 5 & 6. Leaves 5, 6, 7 & 8 in effect with only north facing windows.

**DECISION** – Objection based on the reasons above.

- 757.2**     **S/HOU/19/0826**  
143 Goddard Avenue  
Old Town  
Swindon  
SN1 4HX  
  
Erection of a single storey rear extension.  
  
**DECISION** – No objection.
- 757.3**     **S/OUT/19/0836**  
The Casbah  
25-27A John Street  
Swindon  
SN1 1RT  
  
Outline application for residential development comprising of 12no. flats and associated works (Appearance, Layout and Scale not reserved).  
  
Cllr T Philpot noted that the Flood Authority had objected to the development as no Surface Water Management Strategy had been submitted which was not in line with National Policy.  
  
**DECISION** – Objection in support of the comments of the Lead Local Flood Authority
- 757.4**     **S/19/0960**  
10 Newport Street  
Old Town  
Swindon  
SN1 3DX  
  
Change of use from newsagent (Class A1) to hot food takeaway (Class A5) and erection of a two storey and single storey rear extension.  
  
Cllr M Strinkovsky said that she had previously lived close to this development and it should be noted that there is no rear access to the property so trade refuse waste and its collection would cause a problem.  
  
It was also noted that the location had a pedestrian crossing and zig-zag road markings directly outside so potential customers would have nowhere to stop legally. The public car park opposite was actually a private car park owned by The Co-operative supermarket.  
  
**DECISION** Objection due to Parking Issues, Site Access for Deliveries and storage and collection of trade refuse waste.
- 757.5**     **S/19/0870**  
Land at 203 Shrivenham Road  
Swindon  
SN1 2PU  
  
Erection of 6no. dwellings and associated works.  
  
Cllr T Philpot stated that the access road for the site had many problems as it was too narrow at 4m and would need to incorporate the public right of way directly adjacent to the site but did not form part of the application. The nature of this road and the design of the site in general meant that refuse vehicles would not be able to access the site and safely turn around so no refuse collections would be provided.  
  
Cllr P Herring noted that the two flats on the plans were undersized according to national guidance.  
  
**DECISION** Objection due to access issues, refuse storage and collection and unit sizes of flats being under national guidance levels.

**758 Planning Applications delegated to the Chair and Vice Chair.**

The Deputy 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 response of the Chair and Vice-Chair be approved.

**759 Planning Decisions**

The Deputy 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.

**NOTED**

**760 Patrol Crossing at Goddard Park Primary School**

The Deputy Clerk submitted a proposed “unofficial” crossing to be installed on Welcombe Avenue a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the Minute Book.

Cllr M Strinkovsky asked for clarification on unofficial crossings.

Councillors agreed that these unofficial crossings led to uncertainty from pedestrians, especially children about who has right of way and vehicles were not legally required to stop.

**RESOLVED** to feedback to Swindon Borough Council that South Swindon Parish Council would rather ‘official’ crossings were adopted to prevent ambiguity over priorities and rights of way between pedestrians and vehicles.

**761 Patrol Crossing at King William School**

The Deputy Clerk submitted a proposed “unofficial” crossing to be installed on Eastcott Road a copy of which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book.

Councillors agreed that these unofficial crossings led to uncertainty from pedestrians, especially children about who has right of way and vehicles were not legally required to stop.

**RESOLVED** to feedback to Swindon Borough Council that South Swindon Parish Council would rather ‘official’ crossings were adopted to prevent ambiguity over priorities and rights of way between pedestrians and vehicles.

**762 Old School Radnor Street**

The Deputy Clerk submitted an appeal by the developer of the Old School, Radnor Street, a copy of which appears as Appendix E in the Minute Book.

Cllr P Herring requested that the Parish Council revise its objections to be submitted to the appeal and be brought to the Planning & Environment Committee meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019 for approval before submission.

**RESOLVED** that the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee would review the objections to the development and bring to the next Planning & Environment meeting.

**763 Farnborough Road Parking Bays**

The Deputy Clerk submitted a quote from Swindon Borough Council, a copy of which appears as Appendix F in the Minute Book.

The quote was to provide additional parking bays at the end of Farnborough Road closest to Queens Drive. This was an amendment to a previous quote and had now nearly tripled in price.

Cllr C Watts stated that the Parish Council had resolved to do these works very early on but delays from Swindon Borough Council had seen the cost increase. The cost of the project was now high enough to require three quotes for the work to be completed if possible due to the specialist nature of the work.

**RESOLVED** to go back to Swindon Borough Council to discuss costs and other options.

**764 College Street Temporary Road Closure**

The Deputy Clerk submitted for information a copy of a Temporary Road Closure to College Street a copy of which appears as Appendix G in the Minute Book.

The Deputy Clerk advised that the works related to Fleming Way Car Park and had now been delayed to Spring 2020 and would also incorporate remedial works to Whalebridge Multi-Storey Car Park

**765 Admission of Public and Press**

**RESOLVED** that in accordance with Standing Order 3 (d) that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted that the press and public be temporarily excluded, and they be instructed to withdraw; the reason being - Planning.

**766 Pre-Application Discussion**

A development company gave a presentation to the Committee

The Committee discussed a pre-application concerning a potential development and would provide a response when the full application had been received.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

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Date.....

Chair of the Council