# SOUTH SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL

(CENTRAL SWINDON SOUTH PARISH COUNCIL)

## **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2019 at 7.15pm in the Lounge, Broadgreen Community Centre

Present	Cllr T Philpot Cllr P Herring Cllr S Ahmed Cllr M Hamid Cllr N Hopkins	(Chair) (Vice Chair)	
	Cllr J Howarth Cllr M Strinkovsky Cllr C Watt Cllr N Watts	(Sub. Cllr J Firmin)	
	Cllr J Milner Barry	(Not a Committee Merr	iber)
Officers	Jake Mee	Deputy Clerk	
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Public Session	There were no comments or questions from the public.		
846	<u>Apologies</u> Cllr J Firmin	(Sub. Cllr J Howarth)	
847	Declaration of Interest & Applications for Dispensation None.		
848	Planning Applications to be Examined		
848.1	<u>S/19/1066</u>		Change of use from b

Redlands Charlotte Mews Old Town Swindon Change of use from basement office to an open plan dwelling.

Cllr P Herring strongly objected to planning application S/19/1066 as shown in the parish response sent to Swindon Borough Council. Also, no indication (e.g. a cross-section) is included in the plans that show ceiling height. Basements are often low-ceilinged, and Cllr Herring stated that the plan should not be approved unless the ceiling height can be demonstrated to be above NDSS specifications.

Cllr N Watts commented that local residents of Redlands Cottages had also raised objections and the Borough Planning Officer will be doing a site visit.

**RESOLVED** to call in the application.

#### 849 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 responses of the Chair and Vice Chair be approved.

## 850 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.

Cllr Herring said that he was disappointed that application S/19/1032 had been granted by Swindon Borough Council.

Cllr N Watts said that she had no objection to application S/19/1291 a micro-brewery and welcomes the new business.

The Deputy Clerk said that since the parish objection to application S/19/1291 had been recorded by the Borough the parish office had received notification from the developer that revised plans would be submitted and when received it will be revisited.

Cllr N Hopkins noted that there seemed to be a number of issues with applications being granted even when they do not appear to conform to Swindon Borough Councils own guidelines.

Cllr D Griffiths said that as the rep for the Swindon Area Committee he will add the matter to the December 2019 committee's agenda which could enable all parishes to come together and raise it to the Borough. Cllr P Herring has offered to work with Cllr D Griffiths to put a request together.

## NOTED

## 851 Draft Town Centre Movement Strategy

The Deputy Clerk submitted a draft of consolidated Parish Council response to be considered, a copy of which appears as Appendix C in the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** to approved with amendments.

#### 852 Draft New Development Parking Strategy

The Deputy Clerk submitted a draft of consolidated Parish Council response to be considered, a copy of which appears as Appendix D in the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** to be approved.

#### 853 Local Plan Review Emerging Strategies

The Deputy Clerk submitted a draft of a consolidated Parish Council response to be considered, a copy of which appears as Appendix E in the Minute Book.

Cllr Milner-Barry said that regarding the transport cycling provisions could be added and the Standards London Guide be adopted if it is in the Highways budget as there would be more likelihood of obtaining grants. Cllr Hopkins said that standards need to be set and exceeded for energy efficient buildings. Cllr C Watts asked if the Parish could adopt its own policies. Cllr Griffiths said that the Park and Ride scheme should be re-introduced. Cllr Herring said that neighbourhood plans can be used to object.

Thanks, were given to Cllr Milner Barry and Cllr Herring for their work.

**RESOLVED** to approve with additions and improvements.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm

Signed	
Date	
Chair of the Council	