



## **Committee and Date**

Northern Planning Committee

7<sup>th</sup> November 2023

## **NORTHERN PLANNING COMMITTEE**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on 10 October 2023**

**In the Shrewsbury/Oswestry Room, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND**

**2.00 - 3.27 pm**

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### **Present**

Councillor (Chairman)

Councillors Garry Burchett, Geoff Elner, Ted Clarke, Steve Charmley, Julian Dean, Nat Green, Vince Hunt (Vice Chairman), David Vasmer, Roy Aldcroft (Substitute) (substitute for Paul Wynn) and Steve Davenport (Substitute) (substitute for Joyce Barrow)

### **48 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Joyce Barrow (substitute: Steve Davenport) and Paul Wynn (substitute: Roy Aldcroft).

### **49 Minutes**

#### **RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the meeting of the North Planning Committee held on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2023 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### **50 Public Question Time**

There were no public questions or petitions received.

### **51 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**

Members were reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they had a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

With reference to agenda item 5, (minute 52), Councillor Nat Green reported that he was a member of Shrewsbury Town Council Planning Committee and indicated that his views on any proposals when considered by the Town Council had been based on the information presented at that time and he would now be considering all proposals afresh with an open mind and the information as it stood at this time. He was also the local ward councillor for agenda item 5 and in accordance with procedure rules would make a statement and then move away from the table, taking no part in the debate or vote.

With reference to agenda item 5, (minute 52), Councillor Vince Hunt declared that he was a member of the board of STAR Housing and in accordance with procedure rules, he would withdraw from the meeting during consideration of this application and take no part in the debate or vote.

Following Councillor Hunt's declaration, the Committee duly appointed Councillor Ted Clarke as Vice-Chairman for consideration of planning application, 23/03074/FUL, Coton Hill House Berwick Road Shrewsbury Shropshire SY1 2PG only.

**52 Coton Hill House, Berwick Road, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY1 2PG (23/03074/FUL)**

*In accordance with his declaration at Minute 51, Councillor Vince Hunt withdrew from the Chair and the meeting room, taking no part in the discussion or vote on this application.*

*Councillor Ted Clarke chaired the meeting for consideration of this application.*

The Senior Planning Officer introduced the application for the conversion of former residential care home to provide 25 no. self-contained supported housing apartments (1B1P) and associated staff offices and training room and confirmed that the Committee had undertaken a site visit that morning to assess the impact of the proposed development on neighbouring properties and the surrounding area. Members' attention was drawn to the information contained within the Schedule of Additional letters. The Senior Planning Officer recommended that the condition 6 be amended to require that prior to the first occupation, a detailed management plan be submitted.

Mr Terry Jones on behalf of Project Overview and Response to Coton House Proposal (P.O.R.CH) spoke against the proposal in accordance with Shropshire Council's Scheme for Public Speaking at Planning Committees.

In accordance with the Local Protocol for Councillors and Officers dealing with Regulatory Matters (Part 5, Paragraph 15.1) Councillor Nat Green, as local ward councillor, made a statement and then left the room, took no part in the debate and did not vote on this item.

Mr Kevin Davis, Agent on behalf of the applicant spoke in support of the proposal in accordance with Shropshire Council's Scheme for Public Speaking at Planning Committees.

In response to a question relating to the difference between approving the change of use and approving the management plan which would detail how the accommodation was run, the Solicitor explained that although Members were being asked to approve the change of use of the building, for the use to be acceptable it would need to be managed appropriately, which is why it was considered necessary to have a management plan in place. This approach was not unusual and some planning applications did have management plans attached to them, controlling different aspects of development to be required by way of condition.

During the ensuing debate, the option to defer determination of the application was considered. In response, the Senior Planning Officer advised that she did not consider it necessary to delay determination of the application and the concerns expressed could be addressed through the change to condition 6, that was being recommended. The majority of Members agreed that the submission and approval of a detailed management plan controlling the use, occupation, operation and management of the accommodation, prior to the first occupation, would be acceptable.

Having considered the submitted plans and listened to the comments made by all of the speakers, the majority of Members expressed their support for the proposals subject to the requirement to submit a detailed management plan as recommended by the Senior Planning Officer.

**RESOLVED:**

That authority be delegated to the Planning and Development Services Manager to grant permission subject to;

- The conditions as set out in Appendix 1 of the Planning Officer's report;
- An amendment to condition 6 to require the submission and approval of a detailed management plan, prior to the first occupation; and
- Any amendments to the conditions that are considered necessary.

**53 Welshpool Road/Somerby Drive/Clayton Way Roundabout, Shrewsbury (23/02351/ADV)**

The Senior Planning Officer introduced the application for the erection and display of two sponsorship signs placed on the roundabout (amended description).

Having considered the submitted plans the majority of members expressed their support for the proposal.

**RESOLVED:**

That permission be granted in accordance with the Officer's recommendation, subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 1 of the Planning Officer's report.

**54 Roundabout Junction Hanwood Road / Red Deer Road / Bank Farm Road, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 6AR (23/03684/ADV)**

The Senior Planning Officer introduced the application for erection and display of three sponsorship signs placed on the roundabout.

Having considered the submitted plans the majority of members expressed their support for the proposal.

**RESOLVED:**

That permission be granted in accordance with the Officer's recommendation, subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 1 of the Planning Officer's report.

**55 Proposed Poultry Units NW Of North Farm, Felton Butler, Montford Bridge, Shropshire (17/05151/EIA)**

The Principal Planning Officer introduced the application for the erection of four poultry rearing buildings, eight feed bins, biomass store and amenity building including landscaping and tree planting.

Mr Richard Corbett, Agent on behalf of the applicant spoke in support of the proposal in accordance with Shropshire Council's Scheme for Public Speaking at Planning Committees.

Having considered the submitted plans and listened to the comments made by all of the speakers, the majority of Members felt that consideration of the application should be deferred to the next scheduled meeting to allow for the expiry of the statutory consultation period for comments and representations and to give the applicant the opportunity to provide the additional information required.

**RESOLVED:**

That determination of the application be deferred to the next meeting of the Northern Planning Committee due to take place on 7th November 2023, to allow for the expiry of the statutory period for comments and representations and to give the applicant the opportunity to provide the additional information required.

**56 Land Adjacent To Churncote Island, Welshpool Road/A5 Welshpool Road, Bicton Heath, Shrewsbury, Shropshire (22/02464/FUL)**

The Committee received the report of the Assistant Director of Economy & Place.

**RESOLVED:**

1. That the previously approved minutes of the meeting of the Northern Planning Committee held on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2023 be amended to show the financial contribution towards the NWRR as £80,000.
2. That the decision can accordingly be granted on the basis of what was actually approved at the Committee meeting along with the amendment as set out above.

**57 Appeals and Appeal Decisions**

**RESOLVED:**

That the appeals and appeal decisions for the northern area be noted.

**58 Date of the Next Meeting**

It was noted that the next meeting of the North Planning Committee would be held at 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 in the Shrewsbury/Oswestry Room, Shirehall, Shrewsbury.

Signed ..... (Chairman)

Date: .....