



### Committee and Date

North Planning Committee

19<sup>th</sup> November 2018

## **NORTH PLANNING COMMITTEE**

### **Minutes of the meeting held on 16 October 2018**

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

**2.00 - 2.41 pm**

**Responsible Officer:** Emily Marshall

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### **Present**

Councillor Paul Wynn (Chairman)

Councillors Roy Aldcroft, Joyce Barrow, Pauline Dee, Rob Gittins, Roger Hughes, Vince Hunt (Vice Chairman), Mark Jones, Paul Milner, Peggy Mullock and Steve Davenport (Substitute) (substitute for Gerald Dakin)

### **30 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Gerald Dakin (substitute: Councillor Steve Davenport).

### **31 Minutes**

The Chairman reported that Councillor Gerald Dakin had requested that the second bullet point at minute number 24, relating to the application at Broughall Fields Farm, be amended to read:

- He had one concern, which related to the log drying plant. Whilst he accepted that there was a need for it, he requested that consideration be given to putting a time constraint on the activity, for two years only, to work up a scheme **for utilising the surplus heat by the nearby industrial units.**

### **RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the meeting of the North Planning Committee held on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman, subject to the above amendment.

### **32 Public Question Time**

There were no public questions, statements or petitions received.

### **33 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 planning application 16/04925/FUL, Barns at Edgeley Farm, Edgeley Bank, Whitchurch, Councillor Paul Wynn stated that he knew the applicant and his family and would move to the back of the room, taking no part in the debate or vote on the application due to perception of bias.

**34 Caravan Storage, Land North Of The Elms, Park Green Close, Whittington, Shropshire (17/05555/COU)**

The Area Planning Officer introduced the application for the change of use from agricultural land to storage of 34 touring caravans and motor homes 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 noted the concerns of the Parish Council and the Local Ward Councillor and were pleased to note that conditions securing the implementation, retention and maintenance of landscaping mitigation measures were recommended as they felt that these would enhance the site and protect the amenity of nearby residents. Members formally suggested that if nearby residents had any concerns relating to out of hours vehicle movements, they report these to Shropshire Council's Planning Enforcement Team.

Having considered the submitted plans, Members unanimously expressed their support for the proposals.

**RESOLVED:**

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

**35 Barns at Edgeley Farm, Edgeley Bank, Whitchurch, Shropshire (16/04925/FUL)**

*In accordance with his declaration at Minute 33. Councillor Paul Wynn moved to the back of the room during consideration of this application, taking no part in the debate.*

The Area Planning Officer introduced the application for the conversion of outbuildings to form 4 dwellings, to include some demolition and reconstruction, associated garaging and drainage.

During the ensuing debate, Members agreed with the principle of a conversion at the site, however a number of Members supported the officer's recommendation to refuse the application and considered that the extent of the proposed conversions was not acceptable when assessed against relevant planning policies. In response to a question from a Member, The Principal Planning Officer explained that if the application was refused, the applicant would be entitled to a "free go" application and if the applicant chose to withdraw the application at this stage, they would also be entitled to a "free go". It was on this basis that the applicant confirmed that he wished to withdraw the application.

**RESOLVED:**

That the application be withdrawn, as requested by the applicant.

**36 Appeals and Appeal Decisions**

**RESOLVED:**

That the Schedule of Appeals for the northern area be noted.

**37 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 Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in the Shrewsbury/Oswestry Room, Shirehall, Shrewsbury.

Signed ..... (Chairman)

Date: .....