

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

A meeting of the **Bicester Town Council Planning Committee** was held on **Monday 8th November 2021** at **19:00hrs** at **Bicester Town Council, The Garth, Launton Road, Bicester, Oxon OX26 6SP**

Present:

Cllr Nick Mawer – Chairman
 Cllr Lynn Pratt – Vice Chairman
 Cllr Sandy Dallimore
 Cllr Donna Ford
 Cllr Dan Hallett
 Cllr Jason Slaymaker
 Cllr Les Sibley
 Cllr Alex Thrupp

In Attendance:

Phil Evans – Chief Officer (Acting)
 Julie Trinder – Administration Officer
 Cllr John Broad
 Pamela Roberts
 Clive Shafer
 Mary O'Brien

1. 284/2122 Apologies for Absence

RESOLVED that apologies were received from Cllr Harry Knight.

2. 285/2122 Declarations of Interest

2.2 Declarations of Interest for District & County Councillors

RESOLVED that Cllr Nick Mawer, Cllr Lynn Pratt, Cllr Sandy Dallimore, Cllr Donna Ford, Cllr Les Sibley and District Councillors and County Councillors Cllr Donna Ford and Cllr Les Sibley on this Planning Committee will make their comments and decisions based upon information available at the time of the Meeting. It is accepted that District and County Councillors may come to different decisions in the light of more information being made available at District or County Planning Meetings.

3. 286/2122 Minutes of Planning Committee

RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting **PL06/2122** held on **11th October 2021**.

4. 287/2122 Public Session

Pamela Roberts addressed the committee regarding Application Number **21/035548/OUT** Land on the North East side of Gavray Drive and with the proposed planning application for New Manufacturing and global headquarters for Siemens Healthineers.

5. 288/2122 New Manufacturing and Global Headquarters for Siemens Healthineers

A presentation was given by Jonathan Dawes and Nick Wyke, from Framptons Town Planning Limited regarding a proposed planning application for Global Headquarters for Siemens Healthineer.

6. 289/2122 Update on Large Developments and Associated Issues

No updates were given.

7. 290/2122 Consultations

No consultations to note.

8. 291/2122 Planning applications from Cherwell District Council

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council commented on the following planning applications:

21/01810/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council strongly object to this planning application and continue to have the same objections that have already been made with addition of further concerns; Under the Cherwell District Council policy it states that 30% of the 40 residential units should be made as affordable housing; Concerns regarding adverse impact on the Conservation area and an historic environment which contains many listed and locally listed buildings which are part of Bicester's heritage and asset; lack of visibility; car park and residents entrance a cause for concern; Lack of car parking spaces; Service road will be used for emergency and deliver vehicles - service road needs to be brought up to required standard; Flood risks, the Environment Agency have assessed this area as flood risks 1, 2 and 3.

21/02867/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no comments to make with application.

21/03090/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council strongly object to this planning application due to the proposed extension the property will not be in keeping with the street scene and sky line; building on a T-Junction will cause visibility issues; car parking an issue causing potential disruption to parking; over development of the site having an adverse impact on neighbouring properties.

21/03177/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council strongly object to this planning application, originally the plan was to provide housing provision; mass and scale of buildings need to be considered and not dominate the skyline; Howes Lane already experiencing an increase in traffic movement due to commutative developments in Bicester.

21/03253/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objections to this planning application.

21/03256/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has concerns with this planning application due to the scale of the extension and the proximity this will have on the neighbouring property.

21/03306/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objections to this planning application.

21/03307/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has concerns with this planning application due to over development of the site and loss of parking in an area which already has parking issues.

21/03338/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

21/03377/D - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

21/03378/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcomes this planning application and request that the trees surrounding the building remain in place.

21/03385/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

21/03394/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

21/03420/TCA - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council leave this to the Arboriculture.

21/03451/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has not objection to this planning application.

21/03453/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcome this planning application.

21/03476/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has concerns with this planning application due to over development of site; will alter the street scene; a lack of car parking where there are already parking issues in this area. Applicant needs to demonstrate there are 2 car parking spaces on site.

21/03504/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no concerns with this planning application.

21/03527/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has concerns with this planning application due to the over development of the site.

21/03533/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no concerns with this planning application.

21/035548/OUT - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council strongly object to this planning application. A request to developers for minimum disruption, noise and dust. Use Section 106 for funding the nature reserve on the site where the construction of 50 houses will be. A request was made for:

- Highways for hedgehogs so they can roam between gardens
- Planting for pollinators, tree planting of species suited to wet low-lying land, protect existing hedges and trees
- Solar panels or green roofs, living walls
- Educational centre to promote nature
- Layout to encourage walking and cycling

Credit was given to Gavray Wildlife Meadows campaigners for all their hardwork and commitment and to the developers who have willingly engaged with Gavray Wildlife Meadows.

21/03565/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council strongly object to this planning application due to Over development of site; Inappropriate development on site; adverse impact on character and appearance of street scene; do not believe that there is in fact space for 6 vehicles on site with enough of a turning circle, to park safely; concerns about where the bins would be placed on refuse day. Likely to block the parking; the proposed property is too close to neighbours; entrance on side too close to neighbours; danger to highway; no visitor spaces; no EV charging points.

21/03569/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council object to this planning application for reasons previously given concerning over development of site and parking issues.

21/03587/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

21/03612/F - RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

21/03653/F - RESOLVED RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

9. 292/2122 Amended Plans

None to report.

10. 293/2122 Withdrawn Plans

None to report.

11. 294/2122 Refused Plans

RESOLVED that Committee **NOTED** the refused plans.

12. 295/2122 Appeal Decision

RESOLVED that Committee **NOTED** the appeals.

13. 296/2122 Notification of planning decisions from Cherwell District Council

RESOLVED that Committee **REVIEWED** the planning decisions from Cherwell District Council.

14. 297/2122 Forward Plan

RESOLVED to add **Low Traffic Neighbourhoods** to forward plan.

15. 298/2122 Date of next Meeting

15th December 2021– 19.00 hrs

Close of meeting: 21.00 hrs