

Minutes of the Planning Committee

A meeting of the **Planning Committee** was held on **Tuesday 7th November 2023** at **19:00 hrs** at the **The Chamber Room, Bicester Town Council, The Garth, Launton Road, Bicester, Oxon OX26 6PS**.

Present:

Cllr Nicholas Mawer – Acting Chairman
Cllr Donna Ford
Cllr Sam Holland
Cllr Rachel Mallows
Cllr Nicholas Mawer
Cllr Christopher Pruden
Cllr Les Sibley
Cllr Paul Wheatley

In Attendance:

Paul Canning – Service Manager
Julie Trinder – Administration Officer – Civic & Democratic

94/2 Apologies for Absence

324 RESOLVED that apologies for absence were received from Cllr Nick Cotter, Cllr Damien Maguire, Cllr Tom Beckett, Cllr Dan Hallett and Cllr Jim Webb.

Due to the absence of Cllr Nick Cotter and Cllr Damien Maguire, Cllr Nicholas Mawer was voted as Chairman for this meeting.

95/2 Councillors are reminded to declare any interests on any item on this agenda in accordance with Bicester Town Council's Code of Conduct.
324 RESOLVED that no declarations of interest were made.

96/2 Declarations of Interest for District & County Councillors

324 RESOLVED that declarations of interest were received from Cllr Donna Ford, Cllr Christopher Purden, Cllr Nicholas Mawer and Cllr Les Sibley as Cherwell District Councillors and Cllr Donna Ford and Cllr Les Sibley as Oxfordshire County Council on the Planning Committee will make their comment's 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.

97/2 Minutes of the Planning Meeting

324 RESOLVED that **MINUTES** and **RESOLUTIONS** of the Planning Committee meeting **PL06/2324 – 3rd October 2023** will be signed at a later meeting due to amendments that need to be made:

- Cllr Tom Beckett declared an interest as a Cherwell District Councillor
- Cllr Sam Holland sent his apologies
- Cllr Rachel Mallows did not declare an interest as was recorded

98/2 Public Session

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Signed

Dated

- 324** Members of the public addressed the meeting with their concerns regarding the proposed plans to transform Bicester Market Square and requested that car access to the Market Square is kept and that there is adequate parking for disabled shoppers.

Cllr Donna Ford provided a verbal update regarding the Bicester Market Square.

99/2 Cherwell Local Plan Review

- 324** Paul Fong and Matthew Roberts of JBP Associates Ltd, gave a presentation regarding their alternative strategy to the Cherwell Local Plan Review.

100/ Updates on large developments and associated issues

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101/ North West Bicester

- 2324** No report given.

102/ Graven Hill

- 2324** No report given.

103/ Other Business Strategic Sites

- 2324** No report given.

104/ Planning applications from Cherwell District Council

- 2324** **23/02430/CDISC – C/O Roundabout at Junction with Banbury Rd Southwold Lane**
RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no comment on this planning application.

23/02486/F – Larkrise 1C Rowan Road Bicester OX26 2HN

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objections to this planning application.

23/02565/F – 1 Crown Walk Bicester OX26 6HY

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council would prefer not to have another betting shop in the town centre, but has no objection to this planning application.

23/02645/F – 20 Wensum Crescent Bicester OX26 2GL

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objections to this planning application.

23/02647/F – 41 Lancaster Close Bicester OX26 4TT

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

23/02715/REM – Land North of Bicester Garden Centre Oxford Road

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application however, a missed opportunity for the applicant to install a solar roof on this property.

23/02738/F – 35 Churchill Road Bicester OX26 4TR

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

23/02743/ADV – Waylands Kia Bicester Joblings Garage Launton Road OX26 6PZ

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

23/02758/F – 8 Friend Way Ambrosden OX25 2AY

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

23/02771/F – 5 Swift Close Bicester OX26 6YN

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application, however, they do have concerns with the loss of car parking space adding pressure to on street parking in this area.

23/02890/F – Tysul House 3 Church Street OX26 6BA

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application.

23/02443/F – 28 York Close Bicester OX26 4XE

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council object to this planning application due to:

Over development of the site

Residents concern for safety of children crossing the road in this area.

23/02687/F – 53 Buckingham Road Bicester OX26 3EY

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council object to this planning application due to:

- The proposed structural works are not sound
- Concern with overdevelopment of the site
- Concern that the planning application is for a HMO
- Not in keeping with street scene
- To close to pedestrian crossing, concern with close proximity to road crossing impinging on neighbours property.

23/02704/F – 28 Baliol Road Bicester OX26 4HP

RESOLVED: that Bicester Town Council object to this planning application due to the change of use and concerns over reduction of visibility due to relocation of fence to the front of the garden.

23/02806/F – 32 Kings End Bicester OX26

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council object to this planning application due to:

Overdevelopment of site

Access from rear onto Fox Lane is a concern

Traffic movement and pedestrian access in the area a concern.

23/02853/F – 77 Kempton Road Bicester OX26 1AD

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council object to this planning application due to the provision of roof light dormers might overlook neighbouring properties resulting in affecting neighbours privacy.

23/02722/TPO – 31 Hunt Close Bicester OX26 6HX

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council will leave this to the Arboriculture officer.

23/02685/F – 73 Kingsclere Road Bicester OX26 2JL

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council object to this planning application due to

- Concerns for the overload of HMO's in the residential area.
- The position of the proposed development will be built on a busy area used by pedestrians and cyclists en route to the town centre.
- There is not enough proposed car parking provision, object to part-demolition of family home, over development of existing site and not keeping in with the current scene.

- It was also suggested that a request for a party wall agreement.

23/02668/F – Bicester Park Unit 1 Charbridge Lane OX26 4SS

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objection to this planning application and welcome it to Bicester.

23/02748/ADV – Unit 2 Trinity House West Graven Hill Road Ambrosden OX25 2DR

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcome this planning application.

23/02800/F – Heyfordian Travel Murdock Road Bicester OX26 4PP

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcome this planning application.

105/ Amended plans

2324 RESOLVED that committee **NOTED** the attached amended plan.

106/ Refused Plans

2324 RESOLVED that committee **NOTED** the refused plans.

107/ Notification of planning decisions from Cherwell District Council

2324 RESOLVED that committee **NOTED** the planning decisions.

108/ Forward Plan

2324 RESOLVED that committee **REVIEWED** and **COMMENTED** on the forward plan.

Meeting closed: 8.52pm.

Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 9 January 2024 at 19:00