

Minutes of the Planning Committee

A meeting of the **Planning Committee** was held on **Tuesday 9th January 2024** at **19:00 hrs** at the **The Chamber Room, Bicester Town Council, The Garth, Launton Road, Bicester, Oxon OX26 6PS**.

Present:

Cllr Nick Cotter (Chairman)
Cllr Donna Ford
Cllr Dan Hallett
Cllr Rachel Mallows
Cllr Nicholas Mawer
Cllr Christopher Pruden
Cllr Les Sibley
Cllr Jim Webb
Cllr Paul Wheatley

In Attendance:

Paul Canning – Service Manager
Maria Galic – Administration Officer – Civic & Democratic

110/ Apologies for Absence

2324 RESOLVED that apologies for absence were received from Cllr Tom Beckett, Cllr Sam Holland and Cllr Damien Maguire.

111/ Declarations of Interest

2324 RESOLVED that declarations were received from the following Councillors:

- Cllr Nick Mawer – Due to being a member of CDC Social Housing Committee
- Cllr Jim Webb – Due to knowing the applicant for 44 Shearwater Drive
- Cllr Nick Cotter – Due to knowing the applicant for 44 Shearwater Drive

112/ Councillors are reminded to declare any interests on any item on this agenda in accordance with Bicester Town Council's Code of Conduct.
2324 RESOLVED that declarations were received from the following Councillors:

- Cllr Donna Ford – as a Councillor for Cherwell District Council and Oxfordshire County Council
- Cllr Christopher Pruden - as a Councillor for Cherwell District Council
- Cllr Les Sibley - as a Councillor for Cherwell District Council and Oxfordshire County Council
- Cllr Nick Cotter - as a Councillor for Cherwell District Council

113/ Declarations of Interest for District & County Councillors

2324 Declarations of Interest for District & County Councillors

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

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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.

114/ Minutes of the Planning Meeting

2324 To confirm the **MINUTES** and **RESOLUTIONS** of the following Planning meeting:

- **PL06/2324 – 3rd October 2023**

UNRESOLVED that minutes from the following meeting were **REJECTED** due to requiring the following amendments being made:

- **PL07/2324 – 7th November 2023**

There were no declarations of interest. During the Public Session Cllr Donna Ford provided a verbal update regarding the Bicester Market Square. Cllr Paul Wheatley showing as present but had sent apologies.

RESOLVED that no declarations of interest were received rather than apologies for absence.

115/ Public Session

2324 In accordance with Standing Order 1 d-f, members of the public may make representations, ask questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Time allocated shall not exceed 10 minutes. No member shall speaks for more than 2 minutes.

116/ Updates on large developments and associated issues

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117/ North West Bicester

2324 No report given

118/ Graven Hill

2324 No report given

119/ Other Business Strategic Sites

2324 Committee **CONSIDERED** and **COMMENTED** on the land required for the Cemetery

120/ Planning applications from Cherwell District Council

2324 **23/03048/F – 35 Churchill Road**

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

23/03210/F – 5 Barberry Place

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

23/03214/F – 173 Whitelands Way

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council raise concerns over the planning application due to:

There are two applications at the same time.

23/03223/F – 71 Shannon Road

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

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23/03268/F – Thomas Eddison House

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcome this planning application.

23/03269/F – Cooperative Foods

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcome this planning application.

23/03327/F – 68 Ravencroft

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

23/03338/F – 6 Eaves Road

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has noted this planning application.

23/03365/OUT – A2 Dominion Devs Ltd & Police and Criminology

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has no objections to this planning application and welcome the proposal.

23/03367/F – 34 Merganser Drive

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

23/03412/F – 230 Buckingham Road

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

23/03427/F – Land Adj 83 & 85 part of Car Park, Sheep Street

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcome the proposal and would suggest installation of solar panels.

23/03431/F – 8 Hazel Grove

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

23/03440/MA56 – 51 Market Square

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcome this planning application.

23/03473/F – 44 Shearwater Drive

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council object to this planning application due to: Concerns of overdevelopment.

23/03482/ADV – 73 Sheep Street

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcome the planning application.

23/03503/F – 9 Windsor Close

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

23/03526/F – 136 Anniversary Avenue East

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has noted the planning application.

23/03543/F – 16 Cypress Gardens

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

23/03554/LB – The Cottage, Kings Head Court

RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council welcome the planning application.

R3.0111/23 – Oxfordshire County Council Environment and Place County Hall
RESOLVED that Bicester Town Council has noted the planning application.

121/ Withdrawn plan

2324 RESOLVED that Committee **NOTED** the Withdrawn plans:

23/02604/DEMPA – Central Government Registrar , Waverley House, Queens Avenue

Committee **RESOLVED** that Bicester Town Council **STRONGLY** object to this application and question why the building is to be demolished and request it is kept as is for use by the local community. Waverley House (Old Magistrates Court) is acknowledged as being a safe, sound and habitable building, and therefore there is no justifiable reason for it to be demolished. The building is an important Landmark and a Heritage asset to Bicester.

122/ Notification of planning decisions from Cherwell District Council

2324 RESOLVED that Committee **REVIEWED** the planning decisions from Cherwell District Council.

123/ Forward Plan

2324 RESOLVED that Committee **REVIEWED** and **COMMENTED** on the Forward Plan.

Officers to arrange with A2 Dominion to attend the next planning meeting.

Date of next Meeting: Tuesday 6 February 2024 – 7pm, The Chamber Room, Garth House

Meeting closed: 20:17 hrs