

EAST STAFFORDSHIRE BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held in the Lingen Room, Town Hall on 26th March 2024 at 2.00pm.

Present:

Councillors A. Afsar (Chairman), Mrs B Ashcroft, M. Holton, M. Huckerby, S. Hussain, Mrs J Jones, Ms A. Legg, M. Slater, C. Smedley and C. Whittaker

Officers Present:

Penelope James (Principal Solicitor and Deputy Monitoring Officer), Lea As (Trainee Solicitor), Naomi Perry (Planning Manager), Barbara Toy (Principal Planning Officer) and Daniel Caulkett (Democratic Services Officer)

An apology for absence was received from: Councillor L. Bullock

73/24 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillors A. Afsar, B. Ashcroft, M. Holton, M. Huckerby, S. Hussain, Mrs J Jones, Ms A. Legg, M. Slater, C. Smedley and C. Whittaker declared they had received documents from the Stramshall and Spath Action Committee in relation to application P/2021/00969 in the post and attended the meeting with an open mind.

74/24 **PUBLIC MINUTES**

Resolved:

That the Public Minutes of the Meeting held on the 27th February 2024 be approved by the Committee and signed as a correct record.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

Those voting for the motion	Those voting against	Those abstaining
Councillor A. Afsar Councillor B. Ashcroft Councillor M. Holton Councillor M. Huckerby Councillor J. Jones Councillor A. Legg Councillor M. Slater Councillor C. Smedley		Councillor S. Hussain

Councillor C. Whittaker		
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75/24 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There was no urgent business submitted to the meeting pursuant to Rule 12.

76/24 **APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

1. **P/2021/00969 Retrospective consent for change of Use to a Gypsy/Traveller site, proposed works to provide 3 no. family pitches including 1 x amenity building, level changes across the site, creation of a swale, package treatment plant, bin storage area, alterations to existing driveway, erection of stables and landscaping Land West of Ashbourne Road, Spath, Stramshall, Uttoxeter, ST14 5AD**

The site visit was attended by Councillors A. Afsar, B. Ashcroft, M. Holton, M. Huckerby, J. Jones, A. Legg, M. Slater, C. Smedley and C. Whittaker

Councillor Steve Sankey, Ward Councillor for the Stramshall & Weaver Ward and Councillor Steve Dobson, Parish Councillor for Uttoxeter Rural Parish Council, spoke on the application.

Eric Ody and Les Tench, members of the public, spoke on the application.

Trevor Mennell, the agent for the application, spoke on the application.

Discussions took place.

A motion was put forward by Councillor C. Whittaker for a condition to be included requiring the boundary hedge to be laid should permission be granted, which had been duly seconded by Councillor A. Legg.

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

Those voting for the motion	Those voting against	Those abstaining
Councillor A. Afsar Councillor B. Ashcroft Councillor M. Holton Councillor M. Huckerby Councillor J. Jones Councillor A. Legg Councillor C. Smedley Councillor C. Whittaker		Councillor M. Slater

* Councillor S. Hussain was not present at the site visit so did not vote there upon.

A motion was put forward by Councillor M. Huckerby, which had been duly seconded by Councillor M. Holton to **APPROVE** the application subject to conditions as per the main report, update sheet and requested footpath condition.

Resolved:

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

Those voting for the motion	Those voting against	Those abstaining
Councillor A. Afsar Councillor M. Holton Councillor M. Huckerby	Councillor B. Ashcroft Councillor J. Jones Councillor A. Legg Councillor M. Slater Councillor C. Smedley Councillor C. Whittaker	

* Councillor S. Hussain was not present at the site visit so did not vote there upon.

A motion was put forward by Councillor B. Ashcroft, which had been duly seconded by Councillor J. Jones to **REFUSE** the application.

Resolved:

That the application be **REFUSED** for the following reasons:

- 1) On the basis of the in principle objection raised by the Environment Agency

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

Those voting for the motion	Those voting against	Those abstaining
Councillor B. Ashcroft Councillor J. Jones Councillor A. Legg Councillor M. Slater Councillor C. Smedley Councillor C. Whittaker	Councillor A. Afsar Councillor M. Holton Councillor M. Huckerby	

* Councillor S. Hussain was not present at the site visit so did not vote there upon.

The Report of the Head of Regeneration and Development on appeals received, withdrawn and determined was received and noted.

NOTED.

78/24 **DELEGATED PLANNING PERMISSIONS**

The Report of the Head of Regeneration and Development on applications determined under delegated authority between 12/02/2024 and 08/03/2024 was received and noted.

NOTED.

79/24 **EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC**

Resolved:

That, in accordance with Section 100(A) (4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, the Press and Public be excluded from the Meeting during discussion of the following items as it would likely, in view of the nature of the business to be transacted or the nature of the proceedings that there would be disclosed exempt information as defined in the paragraph of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act indicated in brackets before each item number on the Agenda

Voting concerning the above decision was as follows.

Those voting for the motion	Those voting against	Those abstaining
Councillor A. Afsar Councillor B. Ashcroft Councillor M. Holton Councillor M. Huckerby Councillor S. Hussain Councillor J. Jones Councillor A. Legg Councillor M. Slater Councillor C. Smedley Councillor C. Whittaker		