Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held at Council Chamber, Surrey Heath House, Knoll Road, Camberley, GU15 3HD on 2 March 2023

+ Cllr Edward Hawkins (Chairman) + Cllr Victoria Wheeler (Vice Chairman)

+ Cllr Graham Alleway - Cllr Liz Noble
+ Cllr Peter Barnett + Cllr Robin Perry
+ Cllr Cliff Betton + Cllr Darryl Ratiram
+ Cllr Stuart Black + Cllr John Skipper
+ Cllr Mark Gordon - Cllr Graham Tapper
+ Cllr David Lewis + Cllr Helen Whitcroft
Cllr Charlotte Morley + Cllr Valerie White

+ Present

- Apologies for absence presented

Substitutes: Councillor John Skipper for Councillor Graham Tapper

Officers Present: Duncan Carty, Principal Planning Officer

Gavin Chinniah, Head of Planning

Shannon Kimber, Senior Planning Officer Jon Partington, Development Manager Sarah Shephard, Senior Solicitor

60/P Minutes of Previous Meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held on 9th February 2023 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

61/P Application Number: 23/0003/FFU Southcote Park, Portsmouth Road, Camberley

The application was for the installation of one new lighting column and the replacement of the light heads on the existing three lighting columns in the car park of Southcote Park. The application would ordinarily have been determined under the Council's Scheme of Delegation however it had been brought to the Committee for consideration because the Council was the applicant.

The proposed and replacement lights would be energy efficient LED lights and it was intended that the changes proposed would allow for extra illumination in order to enhance the use of an established recreational area and ensure a safe environment within the local area by discouraging anti-social behavior. It was reported that the Environmental Health Team had confirmed they were satisfied that any light spill arising from the changes would not have a detrimental impact on the immediate environment.

The officer's recommendation that the application, as set out in the report and the update sheet, be approved was proposed by Councillor Hawkins, seconded by Councillor Perry put to the vote and carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that application 23/0003/FFU be approved.

NOTE 1

It was noted for the record that Councillor Edward Hawkins' wife had been instrumental in progressing the proposed lighting improvements in her capacity as the local ward councilor.

62/P Application Number:23/0007/FFU Frimley Park Hospital, Portsmouth Road, Frimley, GU16 7UJ

The application was for the erection of a four storey diagnostics and in-patient building following the demolition of an existing medical records and diagnostic building.

The proposed application formed part of a wider masterplan for the regeneration of the hospital and was similar to a previously approved application, reference 18/1024 for a similar development which had recently expired. It was noted that the proposed development was considered to be acceptable in terms of the overall design of the building, residential amenity and highway safety, land contamination and flood risk and flood damage.

It was noted that additional conditions relating to drainage had been included in the Planning Update sheet.

The Committee expressed concern about the impacts that construction traffic would have on what was an already congested site. It was noted that construction traffic would access the site through the existing 'Blue Light' entrance thus avoiding the need to pass the public car park and hospital's main entrance. Conditions requiring the submission of a Construction Traffic Management Plan to the Local Planning Authority for approval before construction could commence had been incorporated into the Planning Permission.

Concern about adding to the congestion in the surrounding area when children were being dropped off and collected from neighbouring schools were noted. It was stressed that the it was not within the power of the Council to micromanage the construction and that the hospital needed to remain operational during the construction period. It was therefore agreed that:

- i. An informative setting out that it would be expected that construction traffic (including deliveries) would be routed to avoid the public accesses to the hospital site and every effort should be made to avoid the peak visiting hours of the hospital.
- ii. Condition 6e would be amended to read 'HGV vehicles and hours of deliveries'.

The officer's revised recommendation to approve the application, as set out in the officer report and as amended in the update sheet and as set out above, was proposed by Councillor Whitcroft, seconded by Councillor Hawkins, put to the vote and carried

RESOLVED that application 23/0007/FFU be approved

NOTF 1

It was noted for the record that:

Councillor Edward Hawkins declared that he had been appointed as a Stakeholder Governor of Frimley NHS Foundation Trust by Surrey County Council. Councillor Darryl Rattiram declared that he was employed by Frimley Health NHS Foundation Trust and withdrew from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

Councillor Victoria Wheeler declared that her company was contracted to supply services to Frimley NHS Trust and withdrew from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

NOTE 2

In accordance with Part 4, Section D, Paragraph 18 of the Constitution, the voting in favour of the motion to approve the application was as follows:

Voting in favour of the motion to approve: Councillors Alleway, Barnett, Gordon, Hawkins, Lewis, Perry, Skipper, Whitcroft, and White Voting against the motion to approve: Councillor Black Abstaining: Councillor Betton.

Chairman