Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held at Council Chamber, Surrey Heath House, Knoll Road, Camberley, GU15 3HD on 21 September 2023

+ Cllr Cliff Betton (Chair)
+ Cllr Victoria Wheeler (Vice Chair)

+ Cllr Louise Ashbery
+ Cllr Shaun Garrett
+ Cllr Mary Glauert
+ Cllr Nirmal Kang
+ Cllr Shaun Macdonald
- Cllr Liz Noble

+ Cllr Murray Rowlands
+ Cllr John Skipper
+ Cllr Kevin Thompson
+ Cllr David Whitcroft
- Cllr Helen Whitcroft
+ Cllr Valerie White
+ Cllr Richard Wilson

+ Cllr David O'Mahoney

* Cllr Ying Perrett

+ Present

Apologies for absence presented
 * In attendance virtually

Substitutes: Cllr Louise Ashbery for Cllr Helen Whitcroft

Cllr Shaun Macdonald for Cllr Liz Noble

Officers Present: Sarita Bishop, Principal Planning Officer

Duncan Carty, Principal Planning Officer

Gavin Chinniah, Head of Planning

Sue McCubbin, Business and Leisure Services Manager

Jonathan Partington, Development Manager

Sarah Shepherd, Senior Solicitor

Andy Stokes, Highways, Surrey County Council

17/P Minutes of Previous Meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held on 24th August 2023 are approved as being a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

18/P Application Number: 22/1066/RRM Princess Royal Barracks, Brunswick Road, Deepcut, GU16 6RN

The application was for the provision of allotments with associated works, the provision of natural and semi natural open space to the Accessible National Greenspace Standard with upgrading to the local highway network.

The provision of allotments and informal recreation space, landscape enhancements and improved connectivity form important parts of the community, public open and recreational space provisions required to serve the Mindenhurst development and the wider community and were in accordance with the Deepcut Supplementary Planning Document, the hybrid permission and the Section 106 agreement, as varied.

The Committee was informed that the design of the allotments had been developed in consultation with the Camberley and District Horticultural Society, who managed allotments in the western part of the Borough on behalf of the Council with the Section

106 agreement for the main site including an clause which stated that the allotments were to be for the benefit of residents of the Deepcut area.

The Committee noted the amended conditions and informative detailed in the update sheet.

The officer's recommendation to approve the application subject to the conditions and informatives set out in the report and the update sheet, was proposed by Councillor Whitcroft, seconded by Councillor Garrett put to the vote and carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that planning application number 22/1066/RRM be approved.

NOTE 1

It was noted for the record that SKANSKA had written to all Committee members about the application.

19/P Application Number: 22/1182/FFU Lawrence Lodge, Old Dean Road, Camberley, GU15 4JY

The application was for the variation of a condition applied to a previously approved planning application.

The application had originally been approved by the Planning Applications Committee at its meeting on 1st June 2023 however a condition had been imposed on the development stating that the development must commence within one year of the date of the permission, an implementation period which was shorter that the standard implementation period of three years. This shorter implementation period had been imposed in line with the Surrey Heath SANG Allocation Criteria 2020, which had been developed to ensure that SANG capacity would not be tied up for long periods by unimplemented consents.

Since the Committee's resolution of 1st June 2023, the applicant had requested that the time limit to commence the development be extended from one to three years in order that the site could continue to be used as hostel accommodation for the homeless for a further 18 months in order to allow the sufficient time to enable alternative accommodation for the residents to be prepared and the residents subsequently rehomed into their new accommodation.

The Committee was informed that the three year timescale for a development to commence would only start on the date that the legal agreement was issued. Should development not commence within the stated time period then the planning permission would lapse and a new application would have to be submitted.

The officer's recommendation to grant the application, subject to the conditions set out in the report, was proposed by Councillor Whitcroft, seconded by Councillor Wheeler, put to the vote and carried following the use of the Chairman's casting vote.

RESOLVED that planning application 22/1182/FFU be approved.

NOTE 1

In accordance with 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 Betton, MacDonald, O'Mahoney, Wheeler, Whitcroft and Wilson Voting against the motion to approve: Councillors Ashbery, Garrett, Rowlands, Skipper, Thompson and White Abstaining: Councillors Glauert and Kang

NOTE 2

It was noted for the record that Councillor Garrett had received correspondence from residents of Lawrence Lodge in his capacity as ward councillor for the Old Dean ward.

Chair