Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held at Council Chamber, Surrey Heath House, Knoll Road, Camberley, GU15 3HD on 3 November 2022

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

+ Cllr Graham Alleway + Cllr Charlotte Morley
+ Cllr Peter Barnett - Cllr Liz Noble
+ Cllr Cliff Betton + Cllr Robin Perry
+ Cllr Stuart Black + Cllr Darryl Ratiram

- Cllr Stuart Black + Cllr Darryl Ratiram - Cllr Paul Deach + Cllr Morgan Rise - Cllr Mark Gordon + Cllr Graham Tapper
 - Cllr David Lewis Cllr Helen Whitcroft + Cllr Valerie White
 - + Present

- Apologies for absence presented

Substitutes: Cllr Paul Deach for Cllr Edward Hawkins

Cllr Morgan Rise for Cllr Helen Whitcroft

Officers Present: Gavin Chinniah, Head of Planning

Jonathan Partington, Development Manager

Sarah Shepherd, Senior Solicitor Melissa Turney, Senior Planning Officer

VICE-CHAIRMAN IN THE CHAIR

35/P Minutes of Previous Meeting

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Applications Committee held on 6th October 2022 be approved as being a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

36/P Application Number: 21/1176 Solstrand, Station Road, Bagshot*

The application was for the erection of 3 detached three bedroom dwellings with associated car parking, refuse storage and collection point and landscaping following the demolition of the existing dwelling and all associated structures.

The Committee was reminded that a decision on the application had been deferred from its meeting on 4th August 2022; it was noted that at its meeting on 4th August 2022 the Committee had accepted that there were no justifiable grounds to refuse the application due to character and design, highways and amenity land concerns however it had been agreed that a decision would be deferred to enable a full drainage strategy to be provided for the development site.

It was clarified that the proposed drainage solution for the development would be situated within the boundaries of the development plot and no infrastructure associated with the proposed drainage scheme would encroach on neighbouring land. Where access to neighbouring land was required to connect to services then this would be progressed through legislation outside the planning system, including the Party Wall Act.

The Committee was informed that Condition 19 of the application had been amended to prohibit occupation of the new dwellings until the Local Planning Authority was satisfied that the drainage system had been constructed as per the agreed drainage scheme and details of the company contracted to maintain and manage the drainage system had been provided.

The officer recommendation to grant the application, subject to the conditions in the officer report and the update sheet, was proposed by Councillor Rise, seconded by Councillor Betton put to the vote and carried.

RESOLVED that application 21/1176 be granted subject to the conditions in the officer report and update sheet, as amended

NOTE 1

It was noted for the record that Councillors Gordon and White had met with residents of neighbouring properties to hear their concerns but came to the meeting with an open mind.

NOTE 2

In accordance with Part 4, Section D, Paragraph 18 of the Constitution, the voting in relation to the application, and the officer's original recommendation to grant the application, was as follows:

Voting in favour of the officer recommendation to approve the application: Councillors Alleway, Barnett, Betton, Black, Deach, Lewis, Perry, Ratiram, Rise, Tapper and Wheeler.

Voting against the officer recommendation to approve the application: Councillors Gordon and White.

37/P Application Number: 22/0655 17 Junction Road, Lightwater

The application was for retrospective permission for the installation of a raised patio to the rear of the dwelling.

The raised patio spanned the width of the dwelling, had a height of 0.3m adjacent to the rear elevation of the dwelling increasing to 0.5m at the furthest point from the dwelling due to the change in land levels on the site. There were retaining walls surrounding the patio area, steps down to the garden and planting areas to the sides of the patio. The patio had a depth of 5.3m and area of 53m² including the steps.

The application had been reported to the Committee on the request of Councillor Galliford due to concerns about loss of privacy and amenity to neighbours.

The officer recommendation that the application be approved, subject to the conditions proposed in the officer's report and the update sheet, was proposed by Councillor Rise, seconded by Councillor Deach put to the vote and carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that application 22/0655 be approved subject to the conditions in the officer report and update sheet, as amended.

Chairman