

MINUTES of the meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held in Room 11, Town Hall, Royston at 7.30pm on Monday, 4th February 2019.

PRESENT: Councillor Phillips in the Chair.
Councillors Coll, Inwood, Leggett, Perry, F Smith, P Smith, Squire-Smith and Stanier

In attendance: Town Clerk
3 members of the public

The Chairman reminded Members that the meeting would be recorded, and welcomed the members of the public.

335/19 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

There was none.

336/19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Davison.

337/19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

No declarations were received.

338/19 APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES:

It was **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on:

- Monday 7th January 2019 (minutes 294/19 to 299/19).

The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

339/19 NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE LOCAL PLAN 2011-2031:

Members **RESOLVED** to make the following response on behalf of Royston Town Council to the North Hertfordshire Local Plan 2011-2031, proposed main modifications consultation:

- Policy RY4 reads 'Royston City Water Recycling Centre' should read 'Royston Water Recycling Centre'
- The Town Council expressed their regret that NHDC have not reduced the numbers of houses in line with the ONS recommendations, to enable them to protect the greenbelt which will affect the whole of North Hertfordshire.

340/19 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

a) 18/03334/FP – Land at 11 to 17 Mill Road, Royston

Members raised an **OBJECTION** to this application for the following reasons:

- It is an overdevelopment of the site.
 - There are traffic problems in the area.
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- There is insufficient parking on site.
 - Overlooking and overshadowing of neighbouring properties.
 - Access issues.
 - The decision must take into account the results of the traffic management survey that has been requested by Councillor Hill.
 - The additional residential development currently taking place in and around Mill Road needs to be accounted for with regards to traffic flow.
 - The pavements in this area are not wide enough for this type of development with regards to access for mobility scooters.
 - Royston Town Council want to see that Mill Road is made into a one way street.

b) 19/00086/FP – 35 Field Crescent, Royston, SG8 7JZ

Cllr Inwood declared an interest in this item but as it was not a disclosable pecuniary interest or an ‘other’ interest under the code of conduct he took part in the discussion and vote.

Members raised an **OBJECTION** to this application due to the two proposed parking spaces at the front of the property for safety reasons. All parking should be at the rear of the property with safe access onto surrounding roads.

c) 18/03332/FP – 29 Priory Close, Royston, SG8 7DU

Members raised an **OBJECTION** to this application. It is an overdevelopment of the site due to the size of the building in comparison to the plot of land on which it is sited.

d) 18/03323/FPH – 21 Browning Close, Royston, SG8 7EY

Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

e) 18/03362/FPH – 23 Lindsay Close, Royston, SG8 5EF

Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

f) 19/00016/FPH – 18 Saffron Street, Royston, SG8 9TR

Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

g) 19/00050/FPH – 5 Thurnall Avenue, Royston, SG8 9ER

Cllr Stanier declared an interest in this item but as it was not a disclosable pecuniary interest or an ‘other’ interest under the code of conduct she took part in the discussion and vote.

Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

h) 19/00150/FPH – 18 Highlands, Royston, SG8 9HE

Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application provided that there is no infringement of the public footpath during building work. The footpath must be kept open and safe.

341/19 UPDATED LIST OF PLANNING DECISIONS:

Members noted these. Members thanked NHDC for not permitting development outside of the development area with regards to the application for the Land at Wicker Hall.

Cllr F J Smith enquired as to the reasons for South Cambridgeshire's approval of the Horse & Groom application. The Town Clerk informed members that the application and planning conditions could be viewed on the South Cambridgeshire Planning Website.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Date of next meeting: 4th March 2019

Signed: _____
Chairman

Date _____