

MINUTES of the meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held virtually via Zoom at 7.30pm on Monday 1st February 2021.

PRESENT: Councillor Phillips (Chair)
Councillors Coll, Davison, Leggett, Perry, FJ Smith, P Smith, Squire-Smith and Stanier

In attendance: Town Clerk
County Councillor Hill and District Councillors Green and Hunter
2 Members of the Public

The Chair welcomed everybody to the meeting and informed those present that the meeting was being recorded.

The Chair expressed her condolences for the sad death of Richard Tiffin, Principal Planning Officer at NHDC, who had been a great source of support on planning matters for many years.

144/21 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

A member of the public spoke about the application at 15 Garden Lane and expressed her concern that deep excavation works had begun last spring. The owner of the property had advised that the boundary with her property may be damaged and there was the possibility of some landslip. A Victorian wall had been demolished unnecessarily and without permission. She was also concerned that the property was being used for commercial purposes.

145/21 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were received from Councillor Inwood.

146/21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

Members were advised to declare any interests at the commencement of the relevant item on the agenda. No requests for dispensations were received.

147/21 APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Members **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the Committee meeting held on Monday 11th January 2021 (minutes 119/21 to 125/21).

148/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

- a) 20/02656/FPH – 15 Garden Lane, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9EH
Members of Royston Town Council raised a strong **OBJECTION** to this application. It is a gross overdevelopment of the site, it is not in keeping with other properties in the area, it overlooks neighbouring properties and there are serious concerns with the topography of the land.
Members also commented that the application form says that the works have not yet started, but engineering works have been carried out with no approved planning consent and this should be notified to planning enforcement.
- b) 20/03023/FP – 11 Jarman Way, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5HW
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- c) 21/00025/FPH – 48 Baldock Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5BJ

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

- d) 21/00060/FPH – 44 Field Crescent, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7LA
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- e) 21/00159/FPH – 3 Haywoods Lane, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7DN
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- f) 21/00127/LBC – 32a Kneesworth Street, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5AB
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

149/21 UPDATED LIST OF PLANNING DECISIONS:

Members noted the updated list of planning decisions.

Date of next meeting: 1st March 2021.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.58pm.

Signed: _____
Chairman

Date _____