

**MINUTES** of the meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held in Room 11 at the Town Hall, at 7.30pm on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

**PRESENT:** Councillor Antony (Chair)  
Councillors Adams, Inwood, Jani, Langdon, Lockett and Rees.

**In attendance:** Town Clerk  
Town Councillor Stanier  
County Councillor Hill  
District Councillor Green

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

**53/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

There was none.

**54/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Apologies were received from Councillors Beardwell and Squire-Smith.

**55/23 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.

**56/23 APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES:**

Members **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2022 (minutes 47/23 to 52/23).  
The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

**57/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

- a) 22/01207/FPH – 57 Green Drift, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5BX  
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- b) 22/01202/FP – 67-69 High Street and 48 Upper King Street, Royston, Hertfordshire  
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- c) 22/01203/LBC - 67-69 High Street and 48 Upper King Street, Royston, Hertfordshire  
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- d) 22/01263/LBC – 1 Market Hill, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9JL  
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- e) 22/01198/FPH – 15 Green Street, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7BB  
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application. However, Members raised a concern that it appears that they are building right up to the boundary.
- f) 22/01292/FPH – 17 Melbourn Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7DB  
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- g) 22/01318/FPH – 15 Ostler Court, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5FH  
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application. However, Members were concerned over turning circles, tightness of the driveways and vehicle access if vehicles are parked in the vicinity.

- h) 22/01257/FPH – 6 Sorrel Close, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9TL  
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- i) 22/01242/TD – Land at the rear of 33 and 35 Coombelands, Melbourn Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7DW  
Members raised an **OBJECTION** to this application as it would cause demonstrable harm to the character of the area. It is out of keeping with the area, it is much higher than the nearby houses and lamp posts. Guidelines state that masts cannot be sited within 60m of a school but this one would be within that distance of homes with children living in them.

**58/23 REPORT TO MEMBERS THE DECISIONS MADE BY THE CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN ON BEHALF OF ROYSTON TOWN COUNCIL, ON THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS:**

- a) 22/01072/FPH – 14 Gower Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5DU  
**NO OBJECTION** was made on behalf of Royston Town Council with regard to this application due to the timescale required for a decision to be made.
- b) 22/01088/FPH – 9 Hunters Way, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9HG  
**NO OBJECTION** was made on behalf of Royston Town Council with regard to this application due to the timescale required for a decision to be made.
- c) 22/01125/FPH – 58 Newmarket Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7HA  
**NO OBJECTION** was made on behalf of Royston Town Council with regard to this application due to the timescale required for a decision to be made.
- d) 22/01066/FPH – 2 Brampton Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9TA  
**NO OBJECTION** was made on behalf of Royston Town Council with regard to this application due to the timescale required for a decision to be made.
- e) 22/01045/FPH – 7 Cowslip Close, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9TJ  
**NO OBJECTION** was made on behalf of Royston Town Council with regard to this application due to the timescale required for a decision to be made.
- f) 22/01080/FPH – 6 Newmarket Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7DY  
**NO OBJECTION** was made on behalf of Royston Town Council with regard to this application due to the timescale required for a decision to be made.

**59/23 CAMBRIDGE COUNTY COUNCIL PLANNING APPLICATION:**

Members of Royston Town Council raised a **STRONG OBJECTION** to this application on the following grounds:

1. The access is quite inadequate for the amount of proposed HGV traffic that will be arriving and leaving via the fast carriageway at slow speeds.
2. The excess noise will be unacceptable for nearby properties within the boundary of Royston, especially in view of the processing and crushing of aggregates and hard-core.
3. Odour would no doubt be generated from this site that would affect the quality of life for nearby residents.
4. The proposed hours, which include weekends and bank holidays, are totally unreasonable and would have a detrimental impact to local residents.

5. It would also have a detrimental impact on the landscape, for example the Waste Transfer Station Building will be 14 metres high and far higher than the Screening mound and planting.
6. Dust emissions from the site.
7. Mud and debris on the A505, causing a hazard on the busy dual carriageway.
8. Concern about the processing of hazardous waste, e.g. asbestos, close to residential areas.

It will be Royston residents who will be affected by the proposal, Royston Town Council requests that it be refused and a more suitable site be found.

**60/23 STREET NAMING:**

Members **RESOLVED** to agree the following names for the Land at Burloes, Royston development:-

Nettle Drive  
Barbastelle Street  
Dunnock Avenue  
Yellowhammer Road  
Bullfinch Road  
Geranium Avenue  
Dormouse Way

Members **OBJECTED** to Mouteagle Way as there is already a road named Mouteagle in Royston and Pipistrelle Way as it is similar to Pipit Close.

Members also offered the suggestions of Red Kite Way and Sparrowhawk Close as they are species found in Royston.

**61/23 UPDATED LIST OF PLANNING DECISIONS:**

Members noted the updated list of planning decisions.

Date of next meeting: 4<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.16pm.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_