**MINUTES** of the meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held in Room 11 at the Town Hall, at 7.30pm on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

PRESENT: Councillor Squire-Smith (Chair)

Councillors Adams, Haugh, Inwood, Jani and Langdon

In attendance: Deputy Town Clerk

District Councillor Green

Members **RESOLVED** to appoint Councillor Squire-Smith as Chairman for the meeting. The Chair welcomed everybody to the meeting and reminded those present to be mindful of the Climate and Biodiversity Emergency declared by the Royston Town Council when making decisions on behalf of the council. The Chair notified everyone that the meeting was being recorded.

#### **208/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

There was none.

#### 209/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were received from Councillors Antony, Beardwell, Lockett and Rees.

### 210/23 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.

#### 211/23 APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Members **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October (minutes 175/23 to 180/23). The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

#### 212/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

a) 22/02547/TD – Telecommunications Masts near, Priory Lane, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8

Members raised an **OBJECTION** to this application because it would be detrimental to the street scene as the proposed mast is much taller than the previous mast on the same site. There is also concern over parking availability for servicing as raised by Highways.

- b) 22/02548/FPH 6 Old North Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5DS Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- c) 22/02578/FPH 4 Lindsay Close, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5EF Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- d) 22/02593/FPH 4 Lindsay Close, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5EF Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- e) 22/02568/FPH 29 Foxglove Bank, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9TH Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- f) 22/02607/FPH 55 Layston Park, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9DS Members raised an **OBJECTION** to this application on the grounds that it is an overdevelopment of the site which is doubling the footprint of the house.

- g) 22/02660/FPH 6 Elm Walk, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7JL Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- h) 22/02507/AD 7A Lower King Street, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5AL Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application and strongly supported its approval.
- i) 22/02670/FPH 5 Betjeman Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5UP Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- j) 22/02587/HYA 46 Kneesworth Street, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5AQ Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application subject to Highways conditions being met. If parking spaces are not made available, members suggested a sheltered bike rack be installed instead.
- k) 22/02674/FP King James Academy Senior Site, Garden Walk, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7JH
  Members raised NO OBJECTION to this application.
- l) 22/02715/FPH 8 Maltings Close, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5BZ Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- m) 22/02726/S73 Flint Hall Farm, London Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9LX Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- n) 22/02713/FP 10A Old North Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5DS Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- 22/02759/FP Stephanie Prior School of Dancing, Lumen Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7AG
  Members raised NO OBJECTION to this application.
- p) 22/02746/PNMA 4 Kiln House Yard, Baldock Street, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5AY Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- q) 22/01752/AD Coach and Horses, Kneesworth Street, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5AA Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- r) 22/01778/LBC Coach and Horses, Kneesworth Street, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5AA Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

# 213/23 NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE COUNCIL DRAFT DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS SPD CONSULTATION:

Members **RESOLVED** to submit the following response: Royston Town Council is pleased to see that the specification for more affordable housing is more specific with higher rates and supports the adoption of the Local Plan.

## 214/23 UPDATED LIST OF PLANNING DECISIONS:

Members noted the updated list of planning decisions.

Date of next meeting: 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2022.	
There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.24pm.	
Signed:	Date