

MINUTES of the meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held in Room 11 at the Town Hall, at 7.30pm on Monday 6th March 2023.

PRESENT: Councillor Beardwell (Chair)
Councillors Antony, Haugh, Inwood, Lockett, Langdon, Rees and Squire-Smith

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

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.

343/23 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

A member of the public spoke about the planning application for 70 Redwing Rise. They stated that the proposed development would include a new gated access point at the front of the property allowing entry to the rear garden. This would run down the side of their front garden and be just one metre from their lounge window. They explained that this would lead to a significant reduction in their privacy and change their view of the street scene detrimentally. This would be the only access point to the rear of the property during the proposed build, creating major disruption.

344/23 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies were received from Councillors Adams and Jani.

345/23 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.

346/23 APPROVAL OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Members **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 6th February 2023 (minutes 307/23 to 313/23). The minutes were signed by the Chairman.

347/23 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

The Chair moved item e) 70 Redwing Rise, Royston forward for discussion as there were members of the public present who had an interest in this application.

- a) 23/00268/FPH – 70 Redwing Rise, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7XU
Members of Royston Town Council raised an **OBJECTION** to this application. The new access to the rear garden is proposed through a gate next to the bay window of 68 Redwing Rise. This would cause loss of privacy and overlooking to the property. Access to the rear should be maintained at the same side of the house from which it is currently obtained.
- b) 23/00391/TD – Land at the Junction of Burns Road and Betjeman Road, Burns Road, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5AT
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

- c) 23/00196/FPH – 16 Mackerel Hall, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5BS
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- d) 23/00201/FPH – 45 Green Street, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7BB
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- e) 23/00244/FP – Land at the South End of Anglian Business Park, Orchard Road, Royston, Hertfordshire
Members of Royston Town Council raised an **OBJECTION** to this application due to the loss of potential dwellings, including affordable housing, as set out in the local plan and for which planning permission has already been granted. The noise from the site would also impact on local residential dwellings.
- f) 23/00337/FPH – 14 Heath Avenue, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 9DB
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- g) 23/00301/FPH – 4 Victoria Crescent, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7AX
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- h) 22/03220/FP – Public Conveniences, Lower King Street, Royston, Hertfordshire
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- i) 23/00351/FPH – 17 Green Street, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7BB
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- j) 23/00357/FPH – 153 Green Drift, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 5BL
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.
- k) 23/00390/FPH – 23 Lambert Way, Royston, Hertfordshire, SG8 7FT
Members raised **NO OBJECTION** to this application.

348/23 ROYSTON FOOTPATH 007 NAMING:

Members **RESOLVED** to agree the proposal to name the footpath between Princes Mews and Briary Lane, 'JOCKEY WAY'.

349/23 STREET NAMING – LAND AT THE WARREN/LONDON ROAD:

Members **RESOLVED** to agree the proposal to name the six dwellings 'GODFREYS TERRACE' after the nine cottages that formally stood at the site.

350/23 THE DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT (SPD):

Members noted that the Developer Contributions Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) was adopted by NHC in February 2023 and supports the new Local Plan for the period 2011 – 2031.

351/23 UPDATED LIST OF PLANNING DECISIONS:

Members noted the updated list of planning decisions.

Date of next meeting: 3rd April 2023.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.08pm.

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