

SWANLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Development Control Committee Held at the Civic Centre, Swanley on Wednesday 16 September 2015

Present

Cllr L Ball (Chairman)	Cllr E Komolafe (substitute for Cllr M Hogg)
Cllr R Brookbank	Cllr R Morris
Cllr L Dyball	Cllr H Willingale (substitute for Cllr T Searles)
Cllr J Halford	

Also in attendance

Councillors	Officers
Cllr J Barnes	Julie Pilbeam (Chief Executive)
Cllr V Southern	Lisa Saunders (Operations Director)
	Geoff Mills (Democratic Services Officer)
	Nabih Fonkwe (Finance Officer)

The meeting commenced at 7.30 PM

A Supplementary Agenda relating to two late Items was circulated.

Apologies for Absence and Substitutes

Apologies from Cllr M Hogg and Cllr T Searles were received and approved. In accordance with Standing Orders Councillor Komolafe attended the meeting as a substitute for Councillor Hogg and Councillor Willingale attended as a substitute for Councillor Searles.

Declarations of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None

Minutes

9837 It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 September 2015 were agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Decisions Made by Swanley Town Council

Application SE/15/02624: Variation of condition 2 of 08/01850/CONVAR (Appeal reference APP/G2245/A/08/2092052/NFW) in order to allow deliveries to be made to the ASDA store between 05:00 and 23:00 hours on Mondays to Saturdays and between 06:00 and 23:00 on Sundays and Christmas Day, Asda Stores Ltd., London Road, Swanley.

Following discussion on this matter Cllr Morris proposed and Cllr Ball seconded that the Town Council should object to this application on the same grounds lodged in respect of the previous application.

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The District Council should also be informed that the stacking of vehicles using the public highway raises serious concerns of highway safety and that situation was being made worse by the size of the delivery lorries being used. In addition the WHO guidelines were already being exceeded and therefore any increase in opening hours would only make that situation worse.

All agreed

9838 It was **RESOLVED** that

- (a) Sevenoaks District Council be advised that Swanley Town Council strongly objects to this application as the proposed extension of delivery hours would be harmful to the residential amenities of properties in the vicinity due to the noise and pollution from exhaust emissions generated by the delivery vehicles which was contrary to planning policy EN1 of the Local Plan. The planning conditions were set when the store was opened and there has been no material change in the surrounding neighbourhood during that time that would make changes to delivery times viable.
- (b) The Town Council requests that Asda seeks to find a solution to the issue of vehicles queuing to enter the delivery yard and considers it should find a suitable parking waiting area and better manage its supply chain. The stacking of vehicles using the public highway raises serious concerns of highway safety and that situation was made worse by the size of the delivery lorries being used.
- (c) The WHO guidelines are already being exceeded and therefore any increase in opening hours would only make that situation worse.
- (d) The District Council be further advised that the Town Council was also concerned that the existing delivery conditions are being flouted and requests the District Council to take enforcement action against this.
- (e) The Town Council further requests that this matter is considered by the District Councils Development Control Committee and not considered on delegated powers.

Application SE/15/02229: the erection of a timber pavilion in garden area, Laburnum House, Swanley Village Road, Swanley

9839 It was **RESOLVED** that Sevenoaks District Council be advised that Swanley Town Council has no comments to make on this planning application.

Application SE/15/01758: the erection of a single storey rear extension, minor alterations to roof of existing first floor extension at rear and new pergola over link, Fern Cottage, Swanley Village Road, Swanley

9840 It was **RESOLVED** that Sevenoaks District Council be advised that Swanley Town Council has no comments to make on this planning application.

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Supplementary Agenda

Application SE/15/00997: The erection of a 2 bedroom bungalow, amended floor plan and site layout and amended rear elevation with extra window, Land Rear of Woodhurst, Swanley Village Road, Swanley.

Cllr Halford proposed and Cllr Brookbank seconded that this application should be refused on the same grounds that had previously be made by the Town Council.

All agreed

9841 It was **RESOLVED** that Sevenoaks District Council be advised that Swanley Town Council wishes to reiterate its strong objections to this planning application on the following grounds:

- (a) This development was unneighbourly and would be an over intensification of the site, which was located in a conservation area.
- (b) The Town Council also strongly objects on highway grounds. The development would restrict vehicular sight lines and affect parking. Also the planning application made no on-site provision for a turning area and therefore that would considerably increase the highway objections which the Town Council has already stated.

Correspondence - Proposed Base Station Installation at CTIL14407-VF6090, Swanley Shopping Centre, Nightingale Way, Swanley

9842 It was **Resolved** that Cornerstone Telecommunications Infrastructure Ltd (CTIL) (a joint venture company owned by Telefónica UK Limited and Vodafone Limited) be advised that Swanley Town Council has no comments to make on this proposal.

The meeting closed at 7.50 PM

SignedChairman

Date: 14 October 2015