

MINUTES

Committee: Planning Committee
Date: 21 February 2022
Time: 6.30pm
Venue: Younghayes Centre, 169 Younghayes Road, EX5 7DR

Present

Cllr Ray Bloxham (Chair)
Cllr Les Bayliss
Cllr Barry Rogers
Cllr Colin Buchan
Cllr Kevin Blakey

Also Present

One Member of the Public
Alexandra Robinson, Cranbrook Town Council

P/22/13 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received

P/22/14 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None declared.

P/22/15 MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr. Kevin Blakey, seconded by Colin Buchan and **resolved** to accept and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 14th February 2022 as a correct record.

P/22/16 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were no requests from members of the public to make representations, ask questions or give evidence.

P/22/17 PLANNING MONITORING REPORT.

The Committee noted the planning monitoring report.

P/22/18 PLANNING APPLICATION - 21/3125/MRES

The Committee considered application 21/3125/MRES in respect of Land East of Spitfire Way, Clyst Honiton having been consulted as a neighbouring parish. A Reserved matters application pursuant to 06/3300/MOUT for the approval of access, external appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the construction of 35 industrial units and a commercial unit; the discharge of conditions 2,10,14, 15,29 31,34,35,36,45 and 47 of planning permission 06/3300/MOUT relating to plot 16.

Signed

It was proposed by Cllr. Kevin Blakey, seconded by Cllr. Colin Buchan and **resolved** to support planning application 21/3125/MRES and raise no objection, since the proposals provide opportunities for local business to develop and opportunities for employment within walking and cycling distance of the Town of Cranbrook.

P/22/19 PLANNING APPLICATION – 21/2236/MRES

The Committee considered the report in relation to Ingrams Land, Cranbrook. A Reserved Matters application for access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale and for construction of 140 dwellings including affordable housing, landscaping, associated site infrastructure and all other associated works. The proposal includes the discharge of conditions 6,11,14,17,18,20,22,23,24,28 and 37 of outline planning permission 03/P1900.

The Chairman reminded the Committee that the application was initially considered on 20th September 2021 when the committee, whilst accepting the principle of development of the site, resolved to object for the reasons of; the proposed density and housing type; additional parking provision and the size of affordable housing dwellings and overall commitment to design that would contribute positively to climate change efforts.

In considering the revised application, and the verbal report provided by the Chairman, it was proposed by Cllr. Colin Buchan, seconded by Cllr. Kevin Blakey and **resolved** to support the amended planning application 21/2236/MRES with the following comments.

The Committee welcomed the amendments to the housing numbers, density and mix as is the installation of additional trees on the site which would both enhance the development and serve to prevent instances of on- verge parking. The Town Council also welcomed the dialogue about future adoption of public open space and the minor issues which have now been resolved. Contractor access to the site to the north-west is now available and the conflicting boundaries of the site to the south east have been rationalised and are now the same. As for ecological enhancements the applicant have undertaken to offer options to purchasers in accordance with the planning conditions. Therefore, the Committee were satisfied that both matters outstanding in the committee report were now resolved.

P/22/20 PLANNING APPLICATION – 19/2675/MRES

The Committee considered the report in relation to the Land at Ingrams Sports Pitches, London Road, Cranbrook. The Council most recently considered this application on 25th November 2021 and welcomed the amendments. A Reserved Matters application comprising layout, scale, appearance, landscaping and access for a revised pitch layout, the relocation of a play area, addition of a multi use games area and air ambulance lighting column, and revised junction layout with the B3174 (London Road) (subsequent application in respect of permission 03/P1900 which was accompanied by an environmental statement).

In considering the revised application, it was proposed by Cllr. Kevin Blake, seconded by Cllr. Barry Rogers and **resolved** to support the amended application with the following comments:

The amendments to the boundary treatment and drainage are, much improved, welcome and remove the previously expressed concerns. The introduction of pedestrian access gates is supported to provide good foot access by the surrounding community and will help to reduce use of the car. The drainage revisions are welcomed in that they no longer route underneath the proposed pavilion. The car park provisions are noted and whilst the Council seeks to retain the size, capacity and layout as proposed, it reserves the final decision on materials and finish until further detail on available budget is clear. It is requested that approval of the car park materials and finish be conditioned in any approval of this application.

The meeting closed at 6.45 pm.

Signed