

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Planning & Highways Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 December 2009 at 7.15 pm in the Council Chamber, The Corn Exchange, Faringdon

PRESENT: Cllrs **A V Hickmore (Chairman)**
Mrs J Boulton
Mrs M J Barker
J C W Gillman
K Herbert
D Keeble
A Marsden
N S O’Keeffe
D Price
Dr M L H Wise

IN ATTENDANCE: **Mr F. Gummer, Tesco**
Mr H Hudson, Green Issue Communications
4 members of public
1 member of the press
Deputy Town Clerk
Assistant Clerk

- 1. Apologies for Absence**
Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J Boyle and D/Cllr Mrs A Thomson.
- 2. Minutes of Last Meeting: Tuesday, 1 December 2009**
Min 1: Cllr O’Keeffe stated that he had given his apologies for absence which had not been recorded. Once this amendment had been made, the Minutes were AGREED and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.
- 3. Matters Arising**
Min 3, Proposed Waiting Restrictions, Canada Lane: Cllr Dr Wise stated that it appeared the residents on the graveyard side of the road had been contacted in this regard. However, he had not been consulted as a resident in the area concerned and the Deputy Town Clerk had been asked to follow up this matter with the Oxfordshire County Council (OCC).
Min 12(b), Bloor Homes, S106 Agreement, Clause 1.26: It was NOTED that a response from OCC to town council’s letter querying this clause had now been received and would be dealt with later in the meeting under the agenda item dealing with S106 Agreements.

4. **Public Question Time**
No questions had been received.
5. **Public Speaking Time**
No member of the public wished to speak.
6. **Declarations of Interest**
There were no declarations of interest.
7. **Future Shopping in Faringdon**
The Chairman proposed that in accordance with Town Council Standing Order No. 65 and in view of the special and confidential commercial nature of the information to be put forward, the public, including the press, be temporarily excluded from the meeting for this item. This proposal was seconded and CARRIED.
Tesco had been invited to the meeting to update the committee, if possible, on any proposals Tesco may have for Faringdon. The representative from Tesco outlined the company's current progress with possible proposals for Faringdon and also its proposed consultation process with the public planned for early in the new year. It was NOTED that no planning application had yet been submitted to the District Council.
The confidential session then ended.
8. **A Planning Application was considered and decision taken as follows:**
- GFA/19782/2** Extension to unit 2 to provide additional warehouse space
RAC Workshop, Park Road, Faringdon
For: Radcot Armoured Components
NO OBJECTIONS
9. **Proposed Changes to Waiting Restrictions – Gloucester Street, Faringdon**
A schedule was received from Oxfordshire County Council which gave details of proposed changes to the existing waiting restrictions in Gloucester Street. Following consideration, it was AGREED that the scheme proposed did not seem necessary and the OCC should be advised accordingly.
10. **For Information**
(a) A Notice of Permission was received and NOTED from the Vale of White Horse District Council in respect of the following planning application:-
- GFA/18337/1** Erection of a rear conservatory
3 Coxwell Lodge Drive, Faringdon
For: Mr & Mrs Merrill
(No objections –Planning & Highways Committee Meeting, 10.11.09)
- (b) A letter was received from the Vale of White Horse District Council dated 7 December from which it was NOTED that due to the responses received following the consultation on the District Council's proposals to review its scheme of delegation and referral of planning applications to the development control committee, it had been decided that further work and clarification was required before considering any change.

11. S106 Agreements

Bloor Homes, S106 Agreement, Clause 1.26: The Chairman referred to the letter recently received from OCC which gave reasons as to why the clause had been drawn up in the way it had. However, following consideration of this letter, it was the view of the town councillors that as the S106 agreement was a document which had been agreed and sealed, the clause under reference should be interpreted as it stands ie “the sumindex linked towards community bus operation” and should have no other criteria attached to it. The Deputy Town Clerk was instructed to write to the OCC accordingly.