

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Planning & Highways committee meeting held on Wednesday 27th January 2021 at 7.15 pm, via video conferencing. This meeting was chaired by Cllr. Wise. Members were welcomed and reminded that the meeting was recorded.

1/1/21 Apologies

Cllr. Thomas and Cllr. Bentley

2/1/21 Roll call

Invited Cllrs: Boulton (left at item 6)

Castle,
Smith,
Swallow
Wise

In Attendance: 2 representatives of Bassett Land

1 member of the public

D/Cllr Grant

Marzia Sellitti, Deputy Town Clerk

Jo King, Town Clerks Assistant

3/1/21 Minutes of Meeting-Wednesday 23rd December

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 23rd December 2020 were AGREED and SIGNED as a correct record.

4/1/21 Declarations of Interest

Cllr. Boulton declared a personal interest on item 8. P20/V3241/LB: 2 Gloucester Street Faringdon

5/1/21 Public Participation Time

Two representatives of Basset Land were present to give details of planning proposal P20/V3241/LB- the former Volunteer public house. The chair proposed to bring item 8 forward to allow early discussion. (To see final decision, refer to item 8 in the agenda). The company representatives, who had previous experience of undertaking projects in listed buildings, spoke about the building being vacant for three years, the conditions of the building being very poor, and for these reasons being an easy target for vandals. It was NOTED that the proposed scheme was entirely residential, claiming that the development would not be viable for any other use. The company addressed one of the major concerns raised concerning the availability of parking spaces and spoke about this being potentially served by Gloucester

Street car park. D/Cllr Grant informed members that the planning officer is currently looking to get an independent viability report for this proposal.

Members NOTED a request from a member of the public to consider some less traditional designs for the new welcome sign and gateway to Faringdon.

- a) Members NOTED correspondence from the Faringdon Twinning Association regarding reinstating the 'Faringdon twinned with Le Mêle-sur-Sarthe' signs on the entrances to Faringdon. It was NOTED that updated signs are being investigated by the District Council.

6/1/21 Items for Information Only:

- a) To receive, for information only, Planning Permissions granted/refused/awaiting:
P20/V3056/HH 31 Elm Road Faringdon SN7 7EJ: **GRANTED**
P20/V2870/LDE, Korokoro 26 Gilligans Way Faringdon SN7 7FX:
Certificate of Lawful Use or Development
P20/V2765/FUL 6 Old Sawmills Road Park Road Industrial Estate Park Road Faringdon SN7 7DS: **GRANTED**
P20/V2342/HH 108 Marlborough Gardens Faringdon Oxfordshire SN7 7DN: **GRANTED**
- b) Members NOTED that the Ede's have confirmed that the former 'Gateway to Faringdon' wall will be replaced once a designated location is approved.
- c) Members NOTED an update on the former Budgens site, Marlborough Street.

7/1/21 Land South of Steeds Planning Appeal

It was PROPOSED to appoint Cllr Wise as the representative of the Town Council to take part in the virtual meeting of the the Land South of Steeds planning appeal P18/V0259/O - GCO. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

8/1/21 Planning Applications to Vale of White Horse District Council awaiting comments from Faringdon Town Council

Members NOTED and CONSIDERED the following applications:

[P20/V3241/LB](#) 2 Gloucester Street Faringdon SN7 7HY
Alterations, extension to and change of use of ground floor of former public house from Class A4 use to Class C3 residential use: **OBJECT, based on the loss of a public house (re FNP), loss of amenity space, over-development, insufficient parking, change of use, lack of a satisfactory viability assessment.**

[P21/V0038/DIS](#) Northfield Farm Radcot Road Faringdon SN7 8DT- Conversion of an agricultural building to a single dwelling house, **NO OBJECTION**

[P21/V0037/LB](#) Hill House 20 London Street Faringdon SN7 7AA External redecoration to the front of the property, including repainting the render and repairing where necessary, repainting the windows and repairing where necessary: **NO OBJECTION**

[P21/V0027/A](#)- [P20/V3368/LB](#) 26 Market Place Faringdon SN7 7HU- Attach two signs to exterior of current building: **NO OBJECTION**

[P20/V3361/HH](#) 27 Coxwell Road Faringdon SN7 7EB Single storey side extension, minor alteration, and re-cladding to existing single storey rear extensions.: **NO OBJECTION**

[P20/V3358/DIS](#) Land South of Park Road Faringdon SN7 7PL Discharge of conditions 18 (Landscaping Scheme each phase) & 25 (Air Quality each phase) on planning application P17/V1082/O: **NOTED** Members NOTED an update on further removal of trees outside of the planning conditions. It was NOTED that a conversation between the planning officer and the tree officer is already taking place on this matter. The Deputy Town Clerk was asked to write to the officer to ask for any trees unnecessarily removed to be replaced in the appropriate way.

[P20/V3345/HH](#) 7 Folly View Crescent Faringdon SN7 7DJ Demolition of existing garage and erection of new trailer store. Proposed side extension and loft conversion to study: **NO OBJECTION**

[P20/V3339/FUL](#) BGI Portwell House Market Place Faringdon SN7 7HU Addition of a small extract duct: **NO OBJECTION. However, members raised concerns over potential noise and vibration from the extract duct and asked for the planning officer to consider these criteria.**

9/1/21 To suggest agenda items for the next meeting

Gateway to Faringdon

Feedback regarding entrance signs and twinning signs

Cllrs will send other suggestions to the Deputy Town Clerk.

The meeting ended at 20:15