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West Area Planning Committee

Date: **Tuesday 8 October 2019**

Time: **6.00 pm**

Place: **The Old Library - Oxford Town Hall**

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West Area Planning Committee

Membership

Chair	Councillor Colin Cook	Jericho and Osney;
Vice-Chair	Councillor Michael Gotch	Summertown;
	Councillor Tiago Corais	Littlemore;
	Councillor Alex Donnelly	Hinksey Park;
	Councillor Paul Harris	St. Margaret's;
	Councillor Alex Hollingsworth	Carfax;
	Councillor Dan Iley-Williamson	Holywell;
	Councillor Louise Upton	North;
	Councillor Dick Wolff	St. Mary's;

The quorum for this meeting is five members. Substitutes are permitted. Substitutes for the Chair and Vice-chair do not take on these roles.

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AGENDA

Pages

1 Apologies for absence and substitutions

Planning applications - background papers and additional information

To see representations, full plans, and supplementary information relating to applications on the agenda, please [click here](#) and enter the relevant Planning Reference number in the box.

Any additional information received following the publication of this agenda will be reported and summarised at the meeting.

2 Declarations of interest

3 18/03369/FUL: Site Of Gibbs Crescent, Oxford, OX2 0NX

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Site address: Site Of, Gibbs Crescent, Oxford

Proposal: Demolition of existing buildings and redevelopment of site to provide 140 dwellings (3x studios, 73 x 1 bed, 60 x 2 beds, and 4 x 3 beds) with associated works. Additional information and amended plans and description.

RECOMMENDATION: West Area Planning Committee is recommended to:

1. **approve the application** for the reasons given in the report and subject to the required planning conditions set out in section 12 of this report and grant planning permission subject to:
 - the satisfactory completion of a legal agreement under section.106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and other enabling powers to secure the planning obligations set out in the recommended heads of terms which are set out in this report; and
2. **agree to delegate authority** to the Acting Head of Planning Services to:
 - finalise the recommended conditions as set out in the report including such refinements, amendments, additions and/or deletions as the Acting Head of Planning Services considers reasonably necessary;
 - finalise the recommended legal agreement under section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and other enabling powers as set out in the report, including refining, adding to, amending and/or

deleting the obligations detailed in the heads of terms set out in the report (including to dovetail with and where appropriate, reinforce the final conditions and informatives to be attached to the planning permission) as the Acting Head of Planning Services considers reasonably necessary; and

- complete the section 106 legal agreement referred to above and issue the planning permission.

4 18/03370/FUL: Simon House, 1 Paradise Street, Oxford, OX1 1LD

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Site address: Simon House, 1 - 5 Paradise Street, Oxford.

Proposal: Demolition of existing building and construction of 30 apartments (16 x 1 bed, 14 x 2 bed) and associated works.

RECOMMENDATION: West Area Planning Committee is recommended to:

1. **approve the application** for the reasons given in the report and subject to the required planning conditions set out in section 12 of this report and grant planning permission subject to:
 - the satisfactory completion of a legal agreement under section.106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and other enabling powers to secure the planning obligations set out in the recommended heads of terms which are set out in this report; and
2. **agree to delegate authority** to the Acting Head of Planning Services to:
 - finalise the recommended conditions as set out in this report including such refinements, amendments, additions and/or deletions as the Acting Head of Planning Services considers reasonably necessary;
 - finalise the recommended legal agreement under section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and other enabling powers as set out in this report, including refining, adding to, amending and/or deleting the obligations detailed in the heads of terms set out in this report (including to dovetail with and where appropriate, reinforce the final conditions and informatives to be attached to the planning permission) as the Acting Head of Planning Services considers reasonably necessary; and
 - complete the section 106 legal agreement referred to above and issue the planning permission.

5 19/01821/FUL: 159-161 Cowley Road, Oxford, OX4 1UT

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Site address: 159-161, Cowley Road, Oxford, OX4 1UT

Proposal: Reconfiguration of existing ground floor and part first floor retail unit (Tesco store to remain in situ) with extensions and alterations to existing building to provide 137 units of purpose-built, managed student accommodation with associated management suite and communal facilities at upper levels.

RECOMMENDATION: West Area Planning Committee is recommended to:

1. **approve the application** for the reasons given in the report and subject to the required planning conditions set out in section 12 of this report and subject to:
 - the satisfactory completion of a legal agreement under section.106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and other enabling powers to secure the planning obligations set out in the recommended heads of terms which are set out in this report and subject to the completion of a Unilateral Undertaking with the County Council; and

2. **agree to delegate authority** to the Acting Head of Planning Services to:
 - finalise the recommended conditions as set out in this report including such refinements, amendments, additions and/or deletions as the Acting Head of Planning Services considers reasonably necessary;
 - finalise the recommended legal agreement under section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and other enabling powers as set out in this report, including refining, adding to, amending and/or deleting the obligations detailed in the heads of terms set out in this report (including to dovetail with and where appropriate, reinforce the final conditions and informatives to be attached to the planning permission) as the Acting Head of Planning Services considers reasonably necessary; and
 - complete the section 106 legal agreement referred to above and issue the planning permission.

6 19/01005/FUL: 61 Godstow Road, Oxford, OX2 8PE

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Site address: 61 Godstow Road, Oxford, Oxfordshire, OX2 8PE

Proposal: Erection of one garden shed

RECOMMENDATION: West Area Planning Committee is recommended to:

1. **approve the application** for the reasons given in the report and subject to the required planning conditions set out in section 12 of this report and grant planning permission; and

2. **agree to delegate authority** to the Acting Head of Planning Services to:

- finalise the recommended conditions as set out in this report including such refinements, amendments, additions and/or deletions as the Acting Head of Planning Services considers reasonably necessary.

7 19/01389/CT3: The Roundabout, The Plain, Oxford

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Site address: The Roundabout, The Plain, Oxford

Purpose of report: Replacement of five freestanding signs.

RECOMMENDATION: West Area Planning Committee is recommended to:

1. **approve the application** for the reasons given in the report and subject to the required conditions set out in section 12 of this report and grant advertisement consent for the replacement sign; and

2. **agree to delegate authority** to the Acting Head of Planning Services to:

- finalise the recommended conditions as set out in this report including such refinements, amendments, additions and/or deletions as the Acting Head of Planning Services considers reasonably necessary.

8 Planning Appeals - Summary report October 2019

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Purpose of report: To provide an overview of recent appeal performance including key appeal decisions and the issues raised in the appeals.

Recommendation: That the West Area Planning Committee notes the contents of the report

9 Minutes

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Recommendation: to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 24 September 2019 as a true and accurate record.

10 Forthcoming applications

Items currently expected to be considered by the committee at future meetings are listed for information. This is not a definitive list and applications may be added or removed at any point. These are not for discussion at this meeting.

15/03524/FUL: Oxford Spires Four Pillars Hotel (AWAITING CONFIRMATION THAT THIS IS WITHDRAWN)	Major application - awaiting response from applicant
18/02065/OUTFUL: Oxford North (Northern Gateway) Land Adjacent To A44, A40, A34 And Wolvercote Roundabout, Northern By-Pass Road, Wolvercote, Oxford, OX2 8JR	Major application deferred from 24/09/19
18/02644/FUL: Site Of Millway Close, Oxford, OX2 8BJ	Called in
19/00608/FUL: Jurys Inn, Godstow Road, Oxford, OX2 8AL	Committee level decision
18/03133/FUL: Linton Lodge Hotel, 11-13 Linton Road, Oxford, OX2 6UJ	Committee level decision
19/00481/FUL: 367 Iffley Road, Oxford, OX4 4DP	
19/01205/FUL: 327 Woodstock Road, Oxford, OX2 7NX	Committee level decision
19/01456/FUL: The Eagle And Child, St Giles', Oxford, OX1 3LU	Called in
19/01704/VAR: Unit 1 Toys R Us And Car Park, 219 Botley Road, Oxford, OX2 0HA	Committee level decision

19/01696/FUL: Unit 1 Toys R Us And Car Park, 219 Botley Road, Oxford, OX2 0HA	Committee level decision
19/01662/FUL: 75 Botley Road, Oxford, OX2 0EZ	Called in
19/01821/FUL: 159-161 Cowley Road, Oxford, OX4 1UT	Major development - Committee level decision
18/02989/FUL: 269 Cowley Road, Oxford, OX4 2AJ (Bartlemas Nursery)	Committee level decision
19/02032/FUL: Sir Geoffrey Arthur Building, Long Ford Close, Oxford, OX1 4NJ	Committee level application
19/02141/FUL: 42 Park Town, Oxford, OX2 6SJ	Called in.
19/02142/LBC: 42 Park Town, Oxford, OX2 6SJ	Related to application above.
19/02306/FUL & 19/02307/LBC : Castle Hill House, 9 New Road, Oxford, OX1 1LT	Committee level decision
19/02260/FUL: 18 Harbord Road, Oxford	Called in

11 Dates of future meetings

Future meetings of the Committee are scheduled at 6.00pm on:

2019

12 November
10 December

2020

21 January
11 February
10 March
7 April

Councillors declaring interests

General duty

You must declare any disclosable pecuniary interests when the meeting reaches the item on the agenda headed "Declarations of Interest" or as soon as it becomes apparent to you.

What is a disclosable pecuniary interest?

Disclosable pecuniary interests relate to your* employment; sponsorship (ie payment for expenses incurred by you in carrying out your duties as a councillor or towards your election expenses); contracts; land in the Council's area; licenses for land in the Council's area; corporate tenancies; and securities. These declarations must be recorded in each councillor's Register of Interests which is publicly available on the Council's website.

Declaring an interest

Where any matter disclosed in your Register of Interests is being considered at a meeting, you must declare that you have an interest. You should also disclose the nature as well as the existence of the interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary interest, after having declared it at the meeting you must not participate in discussion or voting on the item and must withdraw from the meeting whilst the matter is discussed.

Members' Code of Conduct and public perception

Even if you do not have a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter, the Members' Code of Conduct says that a member "must serve only the public interest and must never improperly confer an advantage or disadvantage on any person including yourself" and that "you must not place yourself in situations where your honesty and integrity may be questioned". What this means is that the matter of interests must be viewed within the context of the Code as a whole and regard should continue to be paid to the perception of the public.

*Disclosable pecuniary interests that must be declared are not only those of the member her or himself but also those member's spouse, civil partner or person they are living with as husband or wife or as if they were civil partners.

Code of practice for dealing with planning applications at area planning committees and planning review committee

Planning controls the development and use of land in the public interest. Applications must be determined in accordance with the Council's adopted policies, unless material planning considerations indicate otherwise. The Committee must be conducted in an orderly, fair and impartial manner. Advice on bias, predetermination and declarations of interest is available from the Monitoring Officer.

The following minimum standards of practice will be followed.

At the meeting

1. All Members will have pre-read the officers' report. Members are also encouraged to view any supporting material and to visit the site if they feel that would be helpful (in accordance with the rules contained in the Planning Code of Practice contained in the Council's Constitution).
2. At the meeting the Chair may draw attention to this code of practice. The Chair will also explain who is entitled to vote.
3. The sequence for each application discussed at Committee shall be as follows:-
 - (a) the Planning Officer will introduce it with a short presentation;
 - (b) any objectors may speak for up to 5 minutes in total;
 - (c) any supporters may speak for up to 5 minutes in total;
 - (d) speaking times may be extended by the Chair, provided that equal time is given to both sides. Any non-voting City Councillors and/or Parish and County Councillors who may wish to speak for or against the application will have to do so as part of the two 5-minute slots mentioned above;
 - (e) voting members of the Committee may raise questions (which shall be directed via the Chair to the lead officer presenting the application, who may pass them to other relevant Officers and/or other speakers); and
 - (f) voting members will debate and determine the application.

Preparation of Planning Policy documents – Public Meetings

4. At public meetings Councillors should be careful to be neutral and to listen to all points of view. They should take care to express themselves with respect to all present including officers. They should never say anything that could be taken to mean they have already made up their mind before an application is determined.

Public requests to speak

5. Members of the public wishing to speak must notify the Democratic Services Officer by noon on the working day before the meeting, giving their name, the application/agenda item they wish to speak on and whether they are objecting to or supporting the application. Notifications can be made in person, via e-mail or telephone, to the Democratic Services Officer (whose details are on the front of the Committee agenda).

Written statements from the public

6. Any written statements that members of the public and Councillors wish to be considered should be sent to the planning officer by noon two working days before the day of the meeting. The planning officer will report these at the meeting. Material received from the public at the meeting will not be accepted or circulated, as Councillors are unable to view give proper consideration to the new information and officers may not be able to check for accuracy or provide considered advice on any material consideration arising. Any such material will not be displayed or shown at the meeting.

Exhibiting model and displays at the meeting

7. Applicants or members of the public can exhibit models or displays at the meeting as long as they notify the Democratic Services Officer of their intention by noon, two working days before the start of the meeting so that members can be notified.

Recording meetings

8. Members of the public and press can record the proceedings of any public meeting of the Council. If you do wish to record the meeting, please notify the Committee clerk prior to the meeting so that they can inform the Chair and direct you to the best place to record. You are not allowed to disturb the meeting and the chair will stop the meeting if they feel a recording is disruptive.
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 - Not to edit the recording in a way that could lead to misinterpretation of the proceedings. This includes not editing an image or views expressed in a way that may ridicule, or show a lack of respect towards those being recorded.
 - To avoid recording members of the public present unless they are addressing the meeting.

Meeting Etiquette

10. All representations should be heard in silence and without interruption. The Chair will not permit disruptive behaviour. Members of the public are reminded that if the meeting is not allowed to proceed in an orderly manner then the Chair will withdraw the opportunity to address the Committee. The Committee is a meeting held in public, not a public meeting.
11. Members should not:
 - (a) rely on considerations which are not material planning considerations in law;
 - (b) question the personal integrity or professionalism of officers in public;
 - (c) proceed to a vote if minded to determine an application against officer's recommendation until the reasons for that decision have been formulated; or
 - (d) seek to re-design, or negotiate amendments to, an application. The Committee must determine applications as they stand and may impose appropriate conditions.

**Code updated to reflect Constitution changes agreed at Council in April 2017.
Unchanged in last Constitution update agreed at Council November 2018.**