# **EAST AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE**

# Wednesday 2 April 2014

**COUNCILLORS PRESENT:** Councillors Darke (Chair), Rundle (Vice-Chair), Altaf-Khan, Clarkson, Coulter, Hollick, Lloyd-Shogbesan and Paule.

**OFFICERS PRESENT:** Martin Armstrong (City Development), Michael Crofton-Briggs (Head of City Development), Michael Morgan (Law and Governance) and Sarah Claridge (Committee and Member Services Officer)

## 131. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor O'Hara.

#### 132. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 133. 56 MARSH LANE: 14/00137/FUL

This application was WITHDRAWN because of inadequate plans.

# 134. BLACKBIRD LEYS PARK, PEGASUS ROAD: 13/03301/CT3

The Head of City Development submitted a report (previously circulated now appended) which detailed a planning application to create new landscaping to include mounds and new tree planting. Formation of new habitat area along existing brook, picnic area, fitness trail and a new pathway.

The Committee resolved to APPROVE the planning application subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Development begun within time limit
- 2. Develop in accordance with approved plans
- 3. Construction Traffic Management Plan
- 4. Phased contaminated land assessment
- 5. Confirmation that material is suitable for use

# 135. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES, KNIGHTS ROAD: 14/00519/CT3

The Head of City Development submitted a report (previously circulated now appended) which detailed a planning application to alter existing front elevation including insertion of new door to provide disabled WC.

The Committee resolved to APPROVE the planning application subject to the following conditions:

- 1 Development must be begun within three years of the date of the decision
- The materials used in the external elevations should match that if the existing.

# 136. BLACKBIRD LEYS LEISURE CENTRE, PEGASUS ROAD: 13/03192/CT3

The Head of City Development submitted a report (previously circulated now appended) which detailed a variation of condition 2 (developed in accordance with approved plans) of planning permission 11/00242/CT3 - Extension to existing Blackbird Leys Leisure Centre, to provide 25m swimming pool, learner and fun pools and ancillary facilities. Alterations to existing leisure centre including new entrance, plus external works including landscaping and alterations to existing car parking to provide 121 spaces and 50 cycle spaces, to allow replacement of escape ramp with stairs, increase in floor level by 250mm and removal of an additional tree.

The Committee resolved to APPROVE the application subject to the conditions from the original permission 11/00242/CT3:

- 1 Development begun within time limit
- 2 Develop in accordance with approved plans
- 3 Materials
- 4 Landscaping Plan and Schedule
- 5 Tree Details of hard surfaces
- 6 Trees Underground Services
- 7 Tree Protection Plan
- 8 Arboricultural Method Statement
- 9 Ecological Mitigation Measures
- 10 Archaeological mitigation
- 11 Full Travel Plan
- 12 Construction Traffic Management Plan
- 13 Details of parking area
- 14 Details of Cycle Storage
- 15 Widening of Vehicular Access
- 16 Noise Limits
- 17 Scheme for treatment of cooking fumes
- 18 NRIA
- 19 FRA
- 20 Surface Water Drainage Scheme
- 21 No infiltration of surface water drains
- 22 Contamination Remediation
- 23 Details of Public Art
- 24 Operational Management Plan
- 25 Details of Sub Station

#### 137. PLANNING SERVICES IMPROVEMENT PLAN

The Head of City Development submitted a report (previously circulated, now appended) which contained an action plan flowing from the Roger Dudman Way Review. The action plan lists changes to the Council's planning service and is relevant to both Area Committees.

The Committee made the following points.

#### Information on Council website

- Clearer pre-application guidance on website required for applicants and what free advice is available especially for householders.
- Clear explanation on what is included as permitted development and what requires planning permission

# Consultation methods -

- Review how it could be expanded to notify public
- Discuss consultation options with consultation officers beforehand
- Link the Statement of Community Involvement with Council's Engagement Strategy

# Governance and training -

- Could the Planning Review Committee's responsibilities be extended to include a strategic planning role? They could then deal with issues such as Roger Dudman Way.
- Running a members briefing on planning enforcement would be helpful.

The Committee resolved to NOTE the action plan.

# 138. PLANNING APPEALS

The Committee resolved to NOTE the report on planning appeals received and determined during February 2014

# 139. MINUTES

The Committee resolved to APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2014 as a true and accurate record.

#### 140. FORTHCOMING APPLICATIONS

The Committee resolved to NOTE the list of forthcoming applications.

#### 141. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on Thursday 8 May 2014.