

PLANNING REVIEW COMMITTEE

Wednesday 9 July 2014

COUNCILLORS PRESENT: Councillors Fry (Chair), Fooks (Vice-Chair), Baxter, Kennedy, Lygo, Sinclair, Benjamin, Coulter and Gotch.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Robert Fowler (City Development), Clare Golden (City Development), Michael Morgan (Law and Governance) and Sarah Claridge (Committee and Member Services Officer)

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2014/15

The Planning Review Committee elected Councillor Fry to be the Chair for the Council Year 2014/15.

2. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR FOR THE COUNCIL YEAR 2014/15

The Planning Review Committee elected Councillor Fooks to be the Vice Chair for the Council Year 2014/15.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Goddard (substitute Councillor Gotch), Councillor Hollick (substitute Councillor Benjamin) and Councillor Turner (substitute Councillor Coulter).

Apologies for lateness were received from Councillor Baxter

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made.

5. 157 GREEN RIDGES, 08/05/2014

The Head of City Development submitted a report (previously circulated now appended) which detailed a planning application to erect a boundary fence and change of use of amenity land to private garden land (retrospective).

The Planning Officer presented the report.

Cllr Baxter arrived after the presentation had started and subsequently did not take part in the determination of this application.

In accordance with the criteria for public speaking, the Committee noted that Evelene Everett spoke against the application and David Moore spoke in favour of it.

Cllr Fry asked what the status of a consultation submission received after the deadline was? It's the quality of the submission rather than it's timeliness that is more important. However late submissions risk not being considered before a decision is made.

Cllr Lygo asked who owned the amenity land and was informed that the deeds of the property showed the applicant did. The County Council owns the amenity land on the other side of the footpath.

Cllr Sinclair asked if the Police had commented on the application. The Planning Officer did not consult the Police as the applicant had provided a Police statement when they submitted the application which recommended the construction of a fence to improve security. It was felt that no additional information was needed.

Cllr Coulter stated that planning advice on the estate regarding the building of fences had been inconsistent. The Planning Officer admitted that other applications for security fences had been received, but each application had to be considered on its own merit. There is a right of appeal process for people that feel an unfair decision has been made.

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

1. Landscaping by end of next planting season
2. Maintenance scheme be agreed for the future maintenance of the amenity land.
3. Remove Permitted Development Rights to prevent enclosure of any more amenity land.

6. MINUTES

The Committee resolved to APPROVE the minutes of the meeting held on 30 October 2013 as a true and accurate record.

7. FORTHCOMING MEETING DATES

The following provisional dates for the Committee have been set:

4 Aug 2014 6.00 pm - PROVISIONAL
27 Aug 2014 6.00 pm - PROVISIONAL
24 Sep 2014 6.00 pm - PROVISIONAL
29 Oct 2014 6.00 pm - PROVISIONAL
25 Nov 2014 6.00 pm - PROVISIONAL
23 Dec 2014 6.00 pm - PROVISIONAL

The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 6.50 pm