CANTERBURY CITY COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held on 6 February 2024, At 7.00 pm in The Guildhall, St. Peter's Place, Westgate, Canterbury

Present: Councillor Pat Edwards (Chair) Councillor Dan Smith (Vice Chair) Councillor Keith Bothwell Councillor Dane Buckman Councillor Roben Franklin Councillor Robert Jones Councillor Robert Jones Councillor Harry McKenzie Councillor Tom Mellish Councillor Peter Old Councillor Paul Prentice Councillor David Thomas

Officers:

Simon Thomas - Head of Planning and Health Stevie Andrews - Planning Manager (Development Manager) Cath Wallen - Principal Solicitor Elizabeth Donnachie - Planning Officer Ashley Kynes - Planning Officer Lauren Wheeler - Democratic Services Officer

512. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Carr-Ellis, Councillor Ian Stockley

513. Substitute members

There were no substitute members.

514. Declarations of any interests by councillors or officers

A generic announcement was made on behalf of all committee members, as follows: All or some councillors may have received correspondence from or spoken with applicants, agents, supporters or objectors, and some of the public speakers may also be known to members of the committee due to their work as councillors. Neither circumstance prevents councillors from participating in the meeting. However, any councillor who considers that they do not have an open mind, in respect of any item on the agenda, should not participate in the meeting when the relevant item is to be Discussed.

The following interests were also declared at the meeting:

In respect of item 7, Application No CA/23/02091/FUL, Councillor McKenzie was predetermined and left the Chamber for the item following the speaker section.

In respect of item 8, Application No CA/23/02067/LDC, Councillor Franklin, Councillor Old, and Councillor Smith declared an interest in respect of the application having been made by party member Councillor Sole.

515. Public Participation

The public speakers for the meeting were heard immediately before the consideration of the relevant application below.

516. LIST OF APPLICATIONS AND PROPOSALS

The Committee considered the planning applications, received the observations thereon of interested parties, the reports and recommendations of the Head of Planning, and the comments at the meeting from the public speakers on the applications referred to below. At the commencement of the consideration of the applications, the Committee received a presentation about each application, which included a display of plans, drawings and photographs.

Planning Application No. / Site / Page Nos.	Speakers
Item 5 Application No. CA/23/01248/FUL 48 St Dunstans Street. Canterbury (pages 9-21)	 Ashley Newstead (supporter) Noemi Bryd (counsel for the agent) Mrs Dunkel (objector)
Item 7 Application No. CA/23/02091/FUL Calcott Bungalow, Calcott Hill, Sturry (pages 32-39)	 Ms B Goldin (Applicant/supporter), read by Ward Councillor McKenzie

Planning Application No. / Site / Page Nos.	Speakers
Item 8	
Application No. CA/23/02067/LDC Birch Lodge, Kingston	
(pages 40-43)	

516.1 Application No. CA/23/01248/FUL 48 St Dunstans Street. Canterbury

Two and a half-storey building with retail use at ground floor and 2 apartments at first floor and within roof space.

A proposal was put that planning permission be GRANTED for the development described in the above application, subject to safeguarding conditions.

When put to a vote, the proposal was AGREED by the committee. A record of the vote was taken as follows:

For the proposal: Councillors Bothwell, Buckman, Edwards, Franklin, Jones, McKenzie, Mellish, Old, Prentice, D Smith, Thomas (11)

Against the proposal: None (0)

Abstained from voting: None (0)

516.2 Application No. CA/20/00399/VAR Disused Railway Embankment From All Saints Close To Northwood Road, Whitstable

The application was withdrawn prior to the meeting.

516.3 Application No. CA/23/02091/FUL Calcott Bungalow, Calcott Hill, Sturry

[Councillor McKenzie was predetermined and left the Chamber for the item following the speaker section.]

Change of use from residential dwelling to mixed use comprising first floor flat and a dental and aesthetics clinic and associated external alterations together with extension to car park and creation of new vehicular access.

A proposal was put that planning permission be REFUSED for the development described in the above application.

For the proposal: Councillors Bothwell, Buckman, Edwards, Franklin, Jones, Mellish, Old, Prentice, D Smith, Thomas (10)

Against the proposal: None (0)

Abstained from voting: None (0)

516.4 Application No. CA/23/02067/LDC Birch Lodge, Kingston

[Councillor Franklin, Councillor Old, and Councillor D Smith declared an interest in respect of the application having been made by party member Councillor Sole.]

Application for lawful development certificate for proposed replacement of the ground floor rear UPVC window with UPVC french doors.

It was put to the committee that the proposal was Lawful.

For the proposal: Councillors Bothwell, Buckman, Edwards, Jones, Mellish, Prentice, Thomas (8)

Against the proposal: None (0)

Abstained from voting: Councillors Franklin, Old, D Smith (3)

517. Planning Appeals Report

There were no planning appeals decisions to report.

518. Any urgent business to be dealt with in public

There was no other urgent business to be dealt with in public.

519. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS WHICH FALLS UNDER THE EXEMPT PROVISIONS OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 OR THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 OR BOTH

There was no other urgent business which fell under the exempt provisions

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.00pm