

PLANNING COMMITTEE
2 JANUARY 2018

Present: Chairman: Councillor Geddes
Mayor: Councillor Carter

Councillors: Bridewell Burton Corbett
 P Evans S Evans Gay
 Giraud-Saunders Godwin Greenwood
 Nash Parsons Rose
 Rowland Shaw Von Berg
 Wooldridge

Officers: Richard Hopkins, Admin & Finance Manager
 Cathy Stockwell

Members of the Public: 12 and Joanne Moore Gazette & Herald

482. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 14 December 2017 having been circulated to all Members were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

483. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Hopkins, Johnson and Stevens.

484. DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Councillor Bridewell declared an interest in Minute number 485, application 17/11944/OUT as the applicant is her employer. Councillor Bridewell stated that she would not take part in any discussion or vote on the application; she did not leave the Council Chamber.

Councillor Gay declared an interest in Minute number 485, application number 17/11816/FUL being a neighbour of the applicant; she did not leave the Council Chamber.

Councillor P Evans declared an interest in Minute number 485 as a member of Wiltshire Council's Eastern Area Planning Committee. He stated that he would leave the chamber during the discussion and decision regarding application number 17/11944/OUT.

485. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman welcomed 12 Members of the public and Joanne Moore of the Wiltshire Gazette and Herald who were in attendance at the meeting.

Councillor P Evans left the Council Chamber.

486. FOR DECISION – WILTSHIRE COUNCIL’S NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

The Chairman stated that due to the large number of members of the public that were in attendance at the meeting, that members would initially consider application 17/11944/OUT.

After considerable member discussion and a brief statement from Mr Richard Reed, representing the members of the public it was proposed by Councillor Carter and seconded by Councillor Burton and agreed

THAT the committee objects to the application on the following grounds:-

1. Loss of employment opportunity
2. No evidence supplied of non-viability of business
3. Loss of community asset
4. Contravenes Wiltshire Council’s goal of avoiding social isolation
5. No mention of development of area within Devizes Neighbourhood Plan

Councillor S Evans requested that all councillors write individually to Wiltshire Council setting out their objections to the application.

Councillor P Evans returned to the Council Chamber.

17/11816/FUL - It was proposed by Councillor Geddes and seconded by Councillor Giraud-Saunders that the application be agreed subject to the provision of adequate parking.

17/11827/LBC - No objections

17/12028/LBC - No objections

17/12097/FUL - No objections.

487. FOR INFORMATION – WILTSHIRE COUNCIL’S NOTICE OF PLANS GRANTED OR REFUSED

The committee received and noted the report.

488. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – PEDESTRIAN CROSSING REPLACEMENT – ESTCOURT STREET

The committee received and noted the report.

489. QUESTION TIME

There were no questions.

CHAIRMAN