

Minutes

Meeting of : Planning and Regulatory Panel
Meeting held in : City Hall, Salisbury
Date : Tuesday 17 March 2009
Commencing at : 6:00 pm

Present:

Councillor D O Parker (Chairman)
Councillors I D McLennan (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors R Britton, J English, M Fowler, J Holt, L Randall, C Spencer, M Tomlinson, J Walsh.

Apologies: B Chettleburgh.

Officers: Richard Hughes (Principal Planning Officer), Gianina Newell (Principal Solicitor), Paul Trenell (Democratic Services), Tom Wippell (Planning Officer)

87. Public Question/Statement Time:

There were none.

88. Councillor Question/Statement Time:

There were none.

89. Minutes:

Resolved: that minutes of the last meeting held on 18 November 2008 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

90. Declarations of interest:

Councillor Walsh declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the matter set out under minute 92 (planning application S/2008/1810) as he had been quoted in the local media as being in favour of the application. Councillor Walsh spoke as a member of the public, but left the meeting for the duration of this item and did not vote.

91. Chairman's Announcements:

Councillor Parker announced that this would be the final meeting of the Planning & Regulatory Panel and thanked members for their service on the panel.

92. [S/2008/1810](#) – Unit 1, Sussex House, Newton Road – Change of Use to Church and Associated Café Use:

The panel considered a presentation from the Planning Officer in conjunction with the previously circulated report of the Head of Development Services and information contained in the schedule of additional correspondence.

Mr G Hooper and Mr J Walsh spoke in favour of the application.

Resolved: that the above application be refused for the following reason:

The change of use of this unit from B1/B2 industrial to Church and associated coffee shop is considered to result in the loss of a unit within an important employment area of the City. Adequate provision for alternative long-term employment with a similar number of job provisions has not been made, and it is judged that the benefits resulting from the change of use to Church and associated coffee shop do not outweigh the loss of the site for industrial employment purposes. Consequently, the proposal is therefore contrary to Policy E16 of the adopted Salisbury District Local Plan.

*The meeting concluded at 7:16 pm
Members of the public present: 34*