

Minutes

Meeting of : Southern Area Committee
Meeting held in : City Hall, Salisbury.
Date : Thursday 04 December 2008
Commencing at : 4.30 pm

Present:

District Councillors:

Councillor B Rycroft – Chairman
Councillor L Randall – Vice Chairman

Councillors I McLennan, R Britton, R J Clewer, C Devine, J P King, J F Launchbury, D J Luther, C J M Morrison, and W R Moss.

Apologies: There were none

Parish Councillors: W Dunn (Redlynch), J Martin (Landford), and D Biggs (Alderbury)

Officers: Stephen Llewellyn & Janet Wallace (Development Control), Jane Ferguson (Legal & Property Services), and Jade Hibberd (Democratic Services)

196. Public Questions /Statement Time:

There were none.

197. Councillor Questions/Statement Time:

Councillor McLennan informed members that he had recently attended a meeting at St Edmunds school regarding their Academy school plans and requested that the Southern Area Committee hold a public meeting and invite WCC Councillors to raise awareness and discuss the proposed Academy.

Resolved: that following February 2009 when more details on the Academy are known a public meeting will be arranged for its discussion.

198. Minutes:

Resolved: that the minutes of the last meeting held on 06 November 2008 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

199. Declarations of Interest:

There were none.



Awarded in:
Housing Services
Waste and Recycling Services



200. Chairman's Announcements:

The Chairman informed members that the last Southern Area Committee meeting would be moved from the 12 March 2009 to the 26 March 2009 to ensure the last meeting before unitary is best utilised.

201. Enforcement Update – Land at the Old Coach House:

The Committee considered the previously circulated report.

Resolved: that the report be noted.

202. S/2008/1611 – Change of Use From Single Dwelling to Six Bedroom Guest House, Little Ridge, Southampton Road, Alderbury, Salisbury, SP5 3AG, For Richard Wetherill Aventa Architects:

The Committee received a presentation from the Principal Planning Officer in conjunction with his previously circulated report. The Officer notified members that there had been an amendment to the application and that it was now a change of use from single dwelling to a five-bedroom guesthouse, with the sixth bedroom being accommodation for an employee. Mr B Myall, a local resident, and Mr D Biggs, the Parish councillor of Alderbury, spoke in objection to the application.

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

1. Adverse impact on the existing local road network from increase in the number of vehicular movements associated with the proposed change of use, contrary to Policy G2(ii);
2. Adverse impact on neighbour amenity due to noise and disturbance arising from vehicular movements/service deliveries to and from the site, noise and disturbance arising from the air conditioning units and overlooking of neighbouring properties, contrary to Policies G2(vi), G2 (viii) and T6; and
3. Adverse impact on the surrounding environment arising from light pollution, contrary to Policy G2(viii).

203. S/2008/1795 – Erection of 5 Houses (1 Detached and Terrace of 4) Including Off Street Parking, Site of Former Apple Tree Inn Downton Hill Morgans Vale, Redlynch, Salisbury, SP5 2JG, For Mr K Parke:

The committee considered a presentation from the Planning Officer in conjunction with his previously circulated report. Mrs L Pallas, a local resident, and Mr W Dunn, the parish councillor of Redlynch, spoke in objection to the application.

Resolved: to delegate to HDS to approve subject to:

1. The conditions set out in the Officer's report, and the additional correspondence, with the exception of Condition No.7 that is to be amended to prohibit deliveries to and from the site during periods associated with the dropping off and picking up of children at the nearby school.
2. Counsel advising that the change in the law (i.e. the Black case) did not constitute a change in circumstance that would allow Members to reconsider the other considerations relating to the planning merits of the proposal and that it would be unreasonable to refuse this application for reasons relating to grounds that were not raised in the refusal of the previous application.

204. Community Update:

Councillor Randall informed the committee that a response had been received from Wiltshire County Highways following Southern Area Committee's letter regarding the problematic traffic lights at Portway. The response notified members that the issue was being looked into and that they would be responding to the problem as soon as possible.

Councillor Launchbury requested that the issue Community Area Partnerships be included on the agenda in January. She also updated the committee on youth issues in her local area and explained that both Downton and Redlynch are now considering financing a Youth Worker.

Councillor McLennan requested that at a future meeting the LDF proposals be debated. He acknowledged that the committee holds no power in the decisions within this but expressed it would be beneficial for the Southern Area Committee's comments to be noted.

*The meeting closed at 19:40 pm
Members of the public: 20*