



Minutes of a meeting of Planning and Licensing Committee held on Wednesday, 9 June 2021.

Councillors present:

Ray Brassington – Chair
Patrick Coleman
Stephen Hirst
Sue Jepson

Julia Judd – Vice-Chair
Juliet Layton
Andrew Maclean
Dilys Neill

Gary Selwyn
Steve Trotter
Clive Webster

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Development Services

1 Apologies

No apologies had been received.

2 Substitute Members

There were no substitute arrangements in place for the meeting.

3 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Brassington declared a pecuniary interest in schedule item 1, application number 21/01393/FUL, Replacement of the existing 15m lattice tower (17.6m to the top of antennas) with a new 24m lattice tower (top of antennas), accommodating 6no. antennas, 1no. microwave dish, the replacement of 1no. equipment cabinet, along with ancillary works at Communications Site At Haymead Covert Boxwell Farm Leighterton, Gloucestershire. He had been advised by the Interim Head of Legal not to take part in the debate and to leave the meeting while this item was discussed.

4 Minutes

Councillor Nikki Ind was not present at the previous meeting, although was listed as being present.

5 Chair's Announcements (if any)

The Chair announced that Tony Curry, previous Councillor of the Council, had passed away this week after a long illness, he was a well know resident of Cirencester and did a lot for the town. Councillor Jepson also spoke in memory of Tony. A one minute silence was observed in his honour.

6 Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles (Policy) Review 2021

Under the Gambling Act 2005 a statutory review needed to be carried out every few years on the Statement of Principles. The draft policy was being presented to Committee for confirmation and a consultation of 12 weeks with the trade would take place before being presented to Full Council later in the year. The only change to the Policy was the removal of the name Publica and replaced with Cotswold District Council.

There were queries from Members relating to the reference to shared partnership working; this was being taken out as the Policy was to be identified as Cotswold District Council; the effective date at the end of the document should have been 31 January 2022, when the consultation exercise had taken place with the trade; consultation would take place with GAM Care, Citizens Advice Bureau, the community partnership team within the Council, in order for them to forward the consultation to the groups they work closely with, Parish and Town Council, Gloucestershire Police and a list of statutory consultees.

RESOLVED that following consideration of the draft Statement of Principles at Annex A to the report, a consultation exercise to seek the views of the trade and relevant stakeholders on the revised Policy be approved.

Record of Voting - for 11, against 0, abstention 0, absent 0.

7 Licensing Act 2003 - Review of the Statement of Licensing Policy

The Statement of Licensing Policy, was presented, following consultation on the draft policy, and a minor amendment had been made in relation to the proof of age identity documents.

RESOLVED that the revised statement of Licensing Policy in Annex A of the report be presented to Full Council for approval.

Record of Voting - for 11, against 0, abstention 0, absent 0.

8 Schedule of Applications

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Communications Site At Haymead Covert, Boxwell Farm, Leighterton, Gloucestershire

As the Chair had declared a pecuniary interest he left the meeting for this item. The Vice-Chair, Councillor Julia Judd, took the Chair.

Councillor Coleman congratulated Councillor Judd for becoming Vice-Chair of the Committee and thanked her for taking on the role. Councillor Judd, responded that she wanted to do her best for the Committee, for the Council and for the Cotswolds.

Replacement of the existing 15m lattice tower (17.6m to the top of antennas) with a new 24m lattice tower (top of antennas), accommodating 6no. antennas, 1no. microwave dish, the replacement of 1no. equipment cabinet, along with ancillary works at Communications Site At Haymead Covert Boxwell Farm Leighterton Gloucestershire.

There were no public speakers. The Ward Member was not present.

The Senior Planning Officer gave his presentation, the site was adjacent to the A46, there was currently a mast on the site, which would be replaced with the mast which was the subject of the application, and would be a few metres to the south west of the existing mast.

In response to various questions it was reported that the mast would be shared with Telephonica. The lattice work would be painter grey, the existing mast would stay until the new mast was in use.

A proposition that the application be approved, was duly seconded.

Approved as recommended.

Record of Voting - for 11, against 0, abstention 0, absent 0.

21/00616/FUL

2,3,4,6,7,8 & 11, Tally Ho Lane, Guiting Power, Gloucestershire, GL54 5TY

Installation of external wall insulation to No. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, & 11 Tally Ho Lane, Guiting Power at 2,3,4,6,7,8 & 11 Tally Ho Lane Guiting Power Gloucestershire GL54 5TY

The case officer gave his updates and drew attention to information he had received relating to the insulation and proposed materials and how the cladding would age, further objections had been received which he summarised for Committee.

Written submissions were read out on behalf of Guiting Power Parish Council, and Bromford. An objector was invited to speak.

The Ward Member was invited to speak.

In response to various questions it was reported that the buildings were not listed buildings; no guidelines for retro fitting solid wall cladding in the Cotswolds was available; the cladding, it was believed, would not be breathable entirely; there were no fine details proposed, while the sites are sensitive in relation to the conservation area, the buildings were not sensitive enough to secure details by condition; any roof alterations was not part of this application; details to improve energy performance, in relation to loft insulation and windows, air source heat pumps had been installed already; the cladding would last up to 30 years and with good maintenance would last up to 60 years; the finish would weather and blend over time with a Cotswold stone house; planning officers deal with Bromford when planning applications were submitted; the case officer and the conservation officer had been in consultation over this application; the cost of the development would not be a material consideration.

The Team Leader summarised the concerns of Members in relation to the details of the cladding; energy efficiency and appearance and suggested that Members could consider deferring the application for more details to make a decision.

A proposition that the application be deferred, was duly seconded, for more information and officers to be at the meeting in order to be able to answer questions.

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A proposition that a site inspection briefing took place was put forward, although a visit could only be undertaken to the application site and no other sites which had already had cladding applied to buildings.

A vote was taken to determine whether to defer the application.

RESOLVED to defer the application in order for officers to obtain further information and details.

Record of Voting - for 11, against 0, abstention 0, absent 0.

A discussion took place as to whether a site visit could be arranged to visit a property which had already been clad. The Head of Legal advised that Members that visiting a private property would be beyond the remit of this Committee and it would be in a private capacity if Members wanted to visit the property.

21/00617/FUL

Installation of external wall insulation to No. 3 & 5 Pear Tree Close, Lower Swell GL54 IJA

A representative of the Lower Swell Parish Council and an objector were invited to address the Committee.

The case officer gave updates drawing attention to the energy efficiency, and read out a letter relating to technical details, he also gave a presentation to Committee.

The Ward Member, Councillor Neill, was invited to speak.

In response to various questions it was reported that some details relating to insulation and air source heat pumps; no sufficient to put cavity wall insulation in the properties; additional information could be obtained.

A proposition that the application be deferred, was duly seconded to obtain further details and to ensure no harm would be made to the cottages.

A proposition was put forward to hold a Site Inspection Briefing; officers would ask the agenda/application to supply a sample panel. Councillor Neill clarified that this would enable Members to be able to understand the impact of the cladding on the existing building and see this on previous buildings.

The Head of Legal advised the propositions could be amended, if Members were wanted to defer and go on site.

The Members who had proposed and seconded to defer the application and proposed a site inspection briefing agreed that the proposal should be amended to defer the application and hold a site inspection briefing of the Panel.

RESOLVED to defer the application and hold a site inspection briefing panel, in order for officers to obtain further information and details.

9 Sites Inspection Briefing (Members for Wednesday 30 June 2021)

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Sites Inspection Briefing (Members for Wednesday 30 June 2021).

10 **Licensing Sub-Committee (Members for Wednesday 21 July 2021)**

A Licensing Sub-Committee was arranged for 16 June 2021, which had been arranged remotely. The Head of Legal advised that these meetings could continue remotely. Councillor Coleman wanted to put on record that these should be held in the Council Chamber in future.

The Meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and closed at 4.30 pm

Chair