

**Minutes of the Planning Committee
26 July 2017**

Present:

Councillor R.A. Smith-Ainsley (Chairman)
Councillor H.A. Thomson (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors:

C.B. Barnard	J.R. Boughtflower	M.P.C. Francis
R.O. Barratt	R. Chandler	N. Islam
I.J. Beardsmore	S.M. Doran	R.W. Sider BEM

Apologies: Apologies were received from Councillor S.J. Burkmar and Councillor P.C. Forbes-Forsyth

In Attendance:

Councillors who are not members of the Committee, but attended the meeting and spoke on an application in or affecting their ward, are set out below in relation to the relevant application.

Councillor D. Saliagopoulos	17/00849/HOU - 22 Riverside Close, Staines-upon-Thames, TW18 2LW
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501/17 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 28 June 2017 were approved as a correct record.

502/17 Disclosures of Interest

a) Disclosures of interest under the Members' Code of Conduct

There were none.

b) Declarations of interest under the Council's Planning Code

Councillor S. Doran reported that she had received correspondence in relation to application 17/00700/FUL – 10A Thames Street, Staines-upon-Thames but had maintained an impartial role, had not expressed any views and had kept an open mind.

Councillor R.O. Barratt reported that they had received correspondence in relation to application 17/00696/HOU – 3 Corsair Road, Stanwell but had maintained an impartial role, had not expressed any views and had kept an open mind.

Councillors C. Barnard, M.P.C. Francis, R.W. Sider and R.A. Smith Ainsley, reported that they had received correspondence in relation to application 17/00849/HOU – 22 Riverside Close, Staines-upon-Thames but had maintained an impartial role, had not expressed any views and had kept an open mind.

503/17 17/00700/FUL - 10A Thames Street, Staines-upon-Thames, TW18 4SD

Description:

This planning application seeks the conversion of the second floor from the existing leisure use to 10. No 1 and 2 bed flats along with the change of use of the first floor from A1/A2/B1 to leisure/office use.

Additional Information:

There was none.

Public Speaking:

There was none.

Debate:

During the debate the following key issues were raised:

- No concern over loss of leisure
- Loss of parking/inadequate parking
- Site shouldn't be left empty and unused
- We need housing in borough

Decision:

The application was approved as per the Planning Committee report.

504/17 17/00849/HOU - 22 Riverside Close, Staines-upon-Thames, TW18 2LW

Description:

This application seeks retrospective planning permission for the erection of decking and associated screening to the rear of 22 Riverside Close. Planning permission is required as the decking and screening exceed the height allowed to be built as 'permitted development' without explicit consent by the Local Planning Authority.

Additional Information:

There was none.

Public Speaking:

In accordance with the public speaking procedures, Steven Slator spoke for the application raising the following points:

- Meets all planning policies
- Has an acceptable impact, not visible from street scene (policy EN1a)
- Does not dominate building
- Other examples in the area
- Meets policy EN1(b) – adequate screening to protect neighbour which is not overbearing
- No flooding impact

In accordance with the Council's procedure for speaking at meetings, Councillor D. Saliagopoulos spoke as Ward Councillor against the application raising the following key points:

- The application is retrospective
- Breakdown in relationship with neighbours
- Decking should be moved away from fence boundary

Debate:

During the debate the following key issues were raised:

- Can build decking up to 30cm high under permitted development
- Impact on neighbour is acceptable
- No overlooking
- Condition is imposed to maintain boundary
- Query over whether decking is floodable

Decision:

The application was approved as per the Planning Committee Report.

505/17 17/00696/HOU - 3 Corsair Road, Stanwell, TW19 7HN

Description:

The application is for the erection of a single storey side extension.

Additional Information:

There was none.

Public Speaking:

In accordance with the Council's procedure for speaking at meetings, Councillor R. Barratt spoke as Ward Councillor on the application raising the following key points:

- Other similar extensions in the area
- Young growing family being treated unfairly

Debate:

During the debate the following key issues were raised:

- Is a substantial extension
- Will change the street scene
- Is a step too far

- Does not impact on neighbouring properties
- Large families cannot afford to move to a bigger house
- Larger extensions built in Hounslow
- Not too big
- Other extensions elsewhere

Decision:

The application was refused as per the Planning Committee report.

506/17 Planning Appeals Report

The Chairman informed the Committee that if any Member had any detailed queries regarding the report on Appeals lodged and decisions received since the last meeting, they should contact the Planning Development Manager.

Resolved that the report of the Planning Development Manager be received and noted.

507/17 Urgent Items

There were none.

508/17 Committee's Thanks

The Chairman, Councillor Smith-Ainsley wished to extend his thanks on behalf of the Committee to Janet Ferguson, formerly Principal Planning Officer for the presentations and reports that she had given to this Committee.