

**Minutes of the Planning Committee
14 December 2022**

Present:

Councillor N.J. Gething (Chairman)
Councillor M. Gibson (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors:

R.O. Barratt	A. Brar	K. Howkins
C. Bateson	S. Buttar	B.B. Spoor
M. Beecher	J. Button	S.J Whitmore

Apologies: Apologies were received from Councillor R. Chandler, Councillor O. Rybinski and Councillor R.W. Sider BEM

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.

59/22 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 19 October 2022 were approved as a correct record.

60/22 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 Howkins reported she had made an informal visit to the site.

Councillor Button reported that he had received correspondence in relation to application 22/00744/FUL and had submitted an objection to the application. On advice from officers, he would not be participating in the debate or vote.

61/22 Planning application 22/00744/FUL - Land At Northumberland Close Bedfont Road, Stanwell

Description:

Erection of two industrial and storage buildings (flexible Use Class B2/B8) and associated site infrastructure, including landscaping, parking, and a new access from Bedfont Road.

Additional Information:

There was none.

Public Speaking:

In accordance with the Council's procedure for speaking at meetings, Councillor John Doran spoke as Ward Councillor against the proposed development raising the following key points:

- Supportive of all eight refusal reasons set out by Planning Officers
- Any construction on Bedfont Road would take up half the footpath, which was regularly used to access Cleveland Park, the market within the petrol station and to cross the road onto the footbridge
- The 203 bus would have difficulty getting past on this route

Debate:

During the debate the following key issues were raised:

- This is an inappropriate development on a Green Belt site
- The proposal was similar to two previous planning applications which were refused
- The reasons of refusal for the previous applications are still valid
- Residents of Cleveland Park would be engulfed in an industrial warehouse site
- The applicant's ecology report is further insufficient due to the absence of a bat survey
- The development would stick in people's line of vision
- There would be increased noise pollution with the number of lorries and trucks in the area
- There would be increased light pollution particularly in winter months
- The air quality for nearby residents would diminish
- There would be increased traffic in the area
- The site was not well designed and was too ambitious
- From a road safety point of view this development would lead to increased accidents

Decision: The application was **refused** in accordance with the officer's recommendation.

62/22 Major Planning Applications

The Planning Development Manager submitted a report outlining major applications that may be brought before the Planning Committee for determination.

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