

## **Report of the Chairman on the work of the Planning Committee**

The Planning Committee has met on three occasions since the previous report was prepared for the Council meeting. This report therefore gives an overview of the key items considered by the Committee at its meetings on 2 May, 30 May and 27 June 2018.

### **1. Planning Committee – 2 May 2018**

- 1.1 The meeting on the 2<sup>nd</sup> May dealt with four planning applications, one having been withdrawn prior to the meeting, and two consultations from Surrey County Council relating to Shepperton Quarry. Public speaking took place on three items and three Ward Councillors also spoke.
- 1.2 Planning Application 17/01923/FUL sought planning consent for the redevelopment of Phase 1B of the Charter Square development, High Street, Staines-upon-Thames for a multi-residential development of 104 units above commercial space on the ground floor and a separate 2 storey commercial building fronting London Road. The development would also provide 27 car parking spaces in a basement level, 108 secure cycle spaces and a pocket park with children's play space. The application was approved as per the officer report subject to a legal agreement.
- 1.3 The second application, 18/00432/T56, related to the installation of a 17.5m high mobile phone mast and associated equipment in Vicarage Road, Sunbury upon Thames. The application was refused due to the proposed siting and effect on the street scene.
- 1.4 The third application considered was 18/00138/FUL, an application for a roof extension and part two-storey, part single storey rear extension and associated parking and the creation of four no.1 bedroom flats at Wardle Dental Surgery, Church Road, Ashford. The application was approved as per the officer's recommendation.
- 1.5 Application 18/00102/FUL was made by this Council for the erection of palisade style fencing and gates along the southern boundary of land to the east of 355 London Road, Ashford. The application was approved.
- 1.6. 18/00308/SCC was a Surrey County Council consultation relating to Shepperton Quarry, Littleton Lane, Shepperton, for the continued use of the land as a recycling facility until 30 September 2019. It was agreed that Surrey County Council be informed that this Council strongly objects to the application and, in the event that the application is refused, an enforcement notice should be served requiring the cessation of the unauthorised importation of recycling material to the site.
- 1.7 The second Surrey County Council consultation, 18/00304/SCC, was for the continued use and siting of two container units at Shepperton Quarry for employee welfare purposes, ancillary to the proposed aggregates recycling

facility, for a temporary period until 30 September 2019. The Committee agreed that no objection would be raised.

## **2. Planning Committee – 30 May 2018**

- 2.1 At the Planning Committee meeting on 30 May 2018, two planning applications were considered. Details of the items considered by the Committee are given below; three public speakers took the opportunity to address the Committee.
- 2.2 The first application, 18/00321/FUL, Dolphin House, Windmill Road, Sunbury, was for the erection of another floor on top of the main building to create an additional 7 flats and other external alterations. The application was approved.
- 2.3 The second item, application 17/01938/FUL, 20 Bridge Street, Staines-upon-Thames, related to the demolition of the existing two storey building and construction of a five storey building of 9 flats and associated cycle parking. The application was refused planning permission.

## **3. Planning Committee – 27 June 2018**

- 3.1 A meeting of the Planning Committee was held on 27 June 2018 at which two applications were considered. Details of the applications are set out below; there were two public speakers on the first item and a Ward Councillor also spoke on this issue.
- 3.2 Application number 18/00599/FUL, 32 Desford Way, Ashford, was a retrospective application for the use of the property as a House of Multiple Occupation (HMO) to allow accommodation for seven people. The application was approved.
- 3.3 The second item, application 16/00029/ENF, The Boathouse, Lower Hampton Rod, Sunbury on Thames, related to the unauthorised siting of a houseboat/mobile home for residential use within the green belt and floodplain. The Committee agreed that an enforcement notice should be issued.

**Councillor Richard Smith-Ainsley**

*Chairman of Planning Committee*

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