

**Minutes of the Development Sub-Committee
21 February 2022**

Present:

Councillor R.J. Noble (Chairman)

Councillors:

S. Buttar

H. Harvey

S.C. Mooney

J.T.F. Doran

L. E. Nichols

Apologies: Councillors R.A. Smith-Ainsley

In Attendance: Councillors M. Beecher

53/22 Apologies for absence & Substitutions

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R Smith-Ainsley.

54/22 Minutes

The Committee **resolved** to agree the minutes of the meeting held on 07 February 2021.

55/22 Disclosures of Interest

Councillors Buttar, Harvey, Doran and Noble advised the Committee that they were Planning Committee members and therefore would not be making comment on any applications due to come before the Planning Committee.

Councillor S Mooney advised the Committee that she was a Surrey County Councillor.

56/22 Questions from members of the Public

There were none.

57/22 Ward Issues

Councillor M Beecher, Ward Councillor for Staines, addressed the Committee in respect of Staines Community Centre.

Councillor Beecher queried why the Property and Development Manager had met with Taylor Grange, developers of the Debenhams site. He explained that the Assets Team had been approached by Taylor Grange about the pathway between the Debenhams building and the Community Centre and the Covenant that currently exists. When he reported this matter to the APWG he was asked by the Leader to arrange a meeting with Taylor Grange and to await further instructions.

The Leader, Councillor Nichols advised the Committee that he and the Deputy Leader, Councillor Sexton along with Councillor Beecher (Ward Councillor) had met with Taylor Grange to express their concerns with regard to their proposed plans for the Debenhams site. The Planning Development Manager had been invited to attend the meeting but had declined. Councillor Nichols advised that no members of the public had been present.

58/22 Urgent Actions

There were none.

59/22 Forward Plan

The Committee **resolved** to note the Forward Plan for the Development Sub-Committee but requested that items be added to it to create business plans for all Council owned properties that could be considered by the Committee.

The Property and Development Manager advised that he would add the items, as requested to the Forward Plan.

60/22 Exclusion of Public and Press (Exempt Business)

It was proposed by Councillor Nichols, Seconded by Councillor Buttar and **resolved** that the public and press be excluded during consideration of the following items, in accordance with paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended) because it was likely to disclose information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information) and in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information because, disclosure to the public would prejudice the financial position of the authority in being able to undertake even-handed negotiations and finalising acceptable contract terms.

61/22 12 Hammersmith Grove, London

The Development & Property Manager presented a report to the Committee that sought to provide an update on the current situation regarding leases for 12 Hammersmith Grove, London.

The Committee **resolved** to note the update.

62/22 Victory Place

The Development Advisor, Richard Mortimer presented the report to the Committee that sought agreement of the recommendations outlined in the report.

The Committee **resolved** to agree all three recommendations outlined in the report.

63/22 Urgent business

There was none.

64/22 Development project update

This item was deferred to the next meeting of the Committee on 07 March 2020.

The Development Advisor, Richard Mortimer outlined the current situation regarding the development of the new Spelthorne Leisure Centre.

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