

## MAIDENHEAD DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday 17 April 2024

Present: Councillors Siân Martin (Chair), Geoff Hill (Vice-Chair), Maureen Hunt, Leo Walters, Mandy Brar, Gary Reeves, Kashmir Singh and Gurch Singh

Also in attendance: Councillor Adam Bermange and Councillor Mark Howard

Officers: Mikey Lloyd, Gilian Macinnes, Alison Long, Sarah Chesshyre, Maria Vasileiou and Helena Stevenson

### Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Taylor.

### Declarations of Interest

- Councillor Brar declared an interest in Item 4, 23/01738/FULL 12 Lees Close Maidenhead SL6 4NU as she had attended a site visit with another ward councillor.
- Councillor G Singh declared an interest in Item 4, 23/01738/FULL 12 Lees Close Maidenhead SL6 4NU as he had attended a site visit before becoming a member of the Panel and had supported the applicant. He declared he would leave the room during this item.
- Councillor G Singh declared an interest in Item 5, 23/02588/FULL Land At The Junction of Warners Hill And Dean Lane Cookham Maidenhead as he had attended a site visit
- Councillor G Singh declared an interest in Item 6, 23/02716/FULL Development At Kings Street And Queen Street And Broadway Maidenhead as he had had discussions with the developer but he came to the meeting with an open mind.
- Councillor Hill declared an interest in Item 6, 23/02716/FULL Development At Kings Street And Queen Street And Broadway Maidenhead as he owned a property next door. He declared he would leave the room during this item.

### Minutes

**AGREED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2024 were approved as a true and accurate record.**

### 23/01738/FULL 12 Lees Close Maidenhead SL6 4NU

*Councillor G Singh left the room at 7:06pm*

Councillor Reeves proposed a motion to grant planning permission with the conditions listed in Section 14 of the report. This motion was seconded by Councillor Brar.

A named vote was taken.

<b>23/01738/FULL 12 Lees Close Maidenhead SL6 2NU (Motion)</b>	
Councillor Siân Martin	For
Councillor Geoff Hill	For
Councillor Maureen Hunt	For
Councillor Leo Walters	For
Councillor Mandy Brar	For
Councillor Gary Reeves	For
Councillor Kashmir Singh	For
Councillor Gurch Singh	Conflict Of Interests
<b>Carried</b>	

**AGREED: To grant planning permission with the conditions listed in Section 14 of the report.**

The Committee heard from the following public speakers:

- John Andrews – Applicant
- Councillor Bermange

23/02588/FULL Land At The Junction of Warners Hill And Dean Lane Cookham Maidenhead

*Councillor G Singh re-entered the room at 7:23pm*

Councillor Walters proposed a motion to refuse planning permission as the development would be by reason of its height, scale, location and the degree of hardstanding, would be obtrusive and have an adverse impact upon the openness of the Green Belt. As such, the proposal is inappropriate development in the Green Belt. No Very Special Circumstances exist which clearly outweighs the harm to the Green Belt which is afforded substantial weight, and the other harm identified. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policy QP5 of the Borough Local Plan and Chapter 13 of the NPPF.

The proposal would by reason of its size and scale neither preserve nor enhance the character or appearance of the Cookham Dean Conservation Area. As such, the proposal is therefore contrary to policies QP3 and HE1 of the BLP. This motion was seconded by Councillor Brar.

A named vote was taken.

<b>23/02588/FULL Land At The Junction of Warners Hill and Dean Lane Cookham Maidenhead (Motion)</b>	
Councillor Siân Martin	For
Councillor Geoff Hill	Against
Councillor Maureen Hunt	For
Councillor Leo Walters	For
Councillor Mandy Brar	For
Councillor Gary Reeves	Against
Councillor Kashmir Singh	Against
Councillor Gurch Singh	Against
Councillor Siân Martin	For (Casting Vote)
<b>Carried</b>	

**AGREED:** The motion received four votes for and four votes against, however the Chair's, Councillor Martin's, vote was the casting vote and the motion was carried to refuse planning permission as the development would by reason of its height, scale, location and the degree of hardstanding, would be obtrusive and have an adverse impact upon the openness of the Green Belt. As such, the proposal is inappropriate development in the Green Belt. No Very Special Circumstances exist which clearly outweighs the harm to the Green Belt which is afforded substantial weight, and the other harm identified. Therefore the proposal is therefore contrary to Policy QP5 of the Borough Local Plan and Chapter 13 of the NPPF. The proposal would by reason of its size and scale neither preserve nor enhance the character or appearance of the Cookham Dean Conservation Area. As such, the proposal is therefore contrary to policies QP3 and HE1 of the BLP.

The Committee heard from the following public speakers:

- Richard Scarff – Objector
- Parish Councillor Bill Perry – Cookham
- Councillor Howard

23/02716/FULL Development At Kings Street And Queen Street And Broadway Maidenhead

*Councillor Hill left the meeting at 8:47pm*

Councillor G Singh proposed a motion to grant planning permission on the satisfactory completion of an undertaking to secure the infrastructure in Section 10 of the report, with the conditions listed in Section 15 of the report and the amended wording of Conditions 16, 17 and 18 in the Committee update. The motion was seconded by Councillor Reeves.

A named vote was taken.

<b>23/02716/FULL Development At Kings Street and Queen Street and Broadway Maidenhead (Motion)</b>	
Councillor Siân Martin	For
Councillor Geoff Hill	Conflict Of Interests
Councillor Maureen Hunt	For
Councillor Leo Walters	For
Councillor Mandy Brar	For
Councillor Gary Reeves	For
Councillor Kashmir Singh	For
Councillor Gurch Singh	For
<b>Carried</b>	

**AGREED:** To grant planning permission on the satisfactory completion of an undertaking to secure the infrastructure in Section 10 of the report, with the conditions listed in Section 15 of the report and the amended wording of Conditions 16, 17 and 18 in the Committee update.

The Committee heard from the following public speaker:

- Victoria Manston - Applicant

Planning appeals received and planning decision report

Gillian Macinnes, Deputy Head of Planning, noted that the appeal for The Arcade High Street Cookham Maidenhead SL6 9TA had been allowed and had been awarded costs. Gillian

Macinnes noted that the item had been recommended for approval but was refused by Committee and requested Committee Members read the appeal.

Councillor G Singh asked what costs had been awarded, Gillian Macinnes responded that it was yet to be determined.

The Committee noted the report.

The meeting, which began at 7.01 pm, finished at 9.05 pm

Chair.....

Date.....