

MAIDENHEAD DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2022

PRESENT: Councillors Maureen Hunt (Chairman), Leo Walters (Vice-Chairman), John Baldwin, Gurpreet Bhangra, Mandy Brar, Gerry Clark, Geoff Hill, Joshua Reynolds and David Coppinger

Also in attendance virtually: Councillors Donna Stimson and Phil Haseler

Officers: Sian Saadeh, Carlos Chikwamba, Oran Norris-Browne, Claire Pugh, James Overall and Sean O'Connor (Virtually)

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Hunt declared that one of the speakers on the item 22/01207/OUT was known to all of the committee members, as she was a former Councillor. Councillor Hunt declared that in reference to item 21/03497/FULL, she had met with the applicant as it was in her ward. However, she made no comment and came to the meeting with an open mind.

Councillor Walters declared that he knew the father of the applicant for item 22/01207/OUT, but that he had since passed away. He now knew the sons but only as acquaintances but wished to declare this for transparency.

Councillor Coppinger declared that he also knew the owners of item 22/01207/OUT for over 25 years, similarly to Councillor Walters.

Councillor Bhangra declared for transparency that he had received numerous communications from the agent on behalf of the applicant for item 21/03497/FULL, but he did not discuss the merits of the application at all and that he attended the meeting with an open mind.

The Chairman agreed that all committee members had received numerous communications from the agent.

Councillor Hunt said that originally when the application 22/01878/REM came before the committee, she spoke against it, however she acknowledged that this was an entirely new application and that she attended the meeting with a fully open mind.

Councillor Walters said that due to technical issues in the past, he was unable to attend the committee as a voting member on the original application of 22/01878/REM, however he had made a case about it that he was going to speak on. He attended the meeting with an open mind.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY: That the minutes of the meeting held 19 October 2022 were a true and accurate record.

21/03497/FULL - CULHAM FARMS FROGMILL STABLES AND THE OLD ESTATE OFFICE FROGMILL FARM BLACK BOY LANE HURLEY MAIDENHEAD

A motion was put forward by Councillor Hill to refuse planning permission, which was in line with officer's recommendation. This was seconded by Councillor Reynolds.

A named vote was taken.

21/03497/FULL - Culham Farms Frogmill Stables and The Old Estate Office Frogmill Farm Black Boy Lane Hurley Maidenhead (Motion)	
Councillor Maureen Hunt	Against
Councillor Leo Walters	For
Councillor John Baldwin	Against
Councillor Gurpreet Bhangra	Against
Councillor Mandy Brar	Abstain
Councillor Gerry Clark	Against
Councillor Geoffrey Hill	For
Councillor Joshua Reynolds	For
Councillor David Coppinger	Against
Rejected	

The result was 3 for, 5 against and 1 abstention so the motion fell.

A motion was put forward by Councillor Hunt to delegate the Head of Planning to grant planning permission subject to appropriate development conditions and legal agreement to address the relevant affordable housing, flooding, archaeology, ecology, flood risk, carbon offset and open space objections in the officer recommendation and to make the development acceptable. This was seconded by Councillor Baldwin.

The reasons given for the decision were that members considered that the proposal would not have a greater impact on the openness of the green belt and would therefore be appropriate development. The members also did not agree that the site did not promote sustainable transport, walking and cycling in this rural location.

A named vote was taken.

21/03497/FULL - Culham Farms Frogmill Stables and The Old Estate Office Frogmill Farm Black Boy Lane Hurley Maidenhead (Motion)	
Councillor Maureen Hunt	For
Councillor Leo Walters	Against
Councillor John Baldwin	For
Councillor Gurpreet Bhangra	For
Councillor Mandy Brar	Against
Councillor Gerry Clark	For
Councillor Geoffrey Hill	Against
Councillor Joshua Reynolds	Against
Councillor David Coppinger	For
Carried	

AGREED: That the committee delegated the granting of planning permission to the Head of Planning subject to appropriate development conditions and legal agreement to address the relevant affordable housing, flooding, archaeology, ecology, flood risk, carbon offset and open space objections.

The committee were addressed by 2 speakers, Jo Unsworth, Applicant and Councillor Johnson, Ward Councillor.

22/01207/OUT - OAKLEY GREEN MUSHROOM FARM OAKLEY GREEN ROAD OAKLEY GREEN WINDSOR SL4 5UL

(Councillor Stimson left the meeting virtually at this stage)

A motion was put forward by Councillor Reynolds to refuse planning permission for the reasons given in section 12 of the report and the committee update, which was in line with officer's recommendation. This was seconded by Councillor Walters.

A named vote was taken.

22/01207/OUT - Oakley Green Mushroom Farm Oakley Green Road Oakley Green Windsor SL4 5UL (Motion)	
Councillor Maureen Hunt	For
Councillor Leo Walters	For
Councillor John Baldwin	For
Councillor Gurpreet Bhangra	Abstain
Councillor Mandy Brar	For
Councillor Gerry Clark	For
Councillor Geoffrey Hill	For
Councillor Joshua Reynolds	For
Councillor David Coppinger	Abstain
Carried	

AGREED: That planning permission be refused due to the reasons listed in section 12 of the report and the committee update.

The committee were addressed by 2 speakers, Martin Hall, Objector and Alison Knight, Applicant's Agent.

22/01878/REM - GROVE PARK INDUSTRIAL ESTATE WALTHAM ROAD WHITE WALTHAM MAIDENHEAD SL6 3LW

The meeting was adjourned at 21.00 and re-commenced at 21.05.

(Councillor Haseler left the meeting virtually)

Councillor Hill re-joined the meeting after the officer's presentation had begun and questioned whether he was still able to take part in the debate. Sean O'Connor, Legal Officer, advised Councillor Hill to take no further action in the meeting.

(Councillor Hill left the meeting and took no further part in the discussions or the vote)

A motion was put forward to grant planning permission on the satisfactory completion of an undertaking to secure a contribution to the Council's Carbon Offset Fund and with the conditions listed in Section 15 of the report, which was in line with officer's recommendation. This was seconded by Councillor Baldwin.

A named vote was taken.

22/01878/REM - Grove Park Industrial Estate Waltham Road White Waltham Maidenhead SL6 3LW (Motion)	
Councillor Maureen Hunt	For
Councillor Leo Walters	For
Councillor John Baldwin	For
Councillor Gurpreet Bhangra	For
Councillor Mandy Brar	For
Councillor Gerry Clark	For
Councillor Geoffrey Hill	No vote recorded
Councillor Joshua Reynolds	For
Councillor David Coppinger	For
Carried	

AGREED UNANIMOUSLY: to grant planning permission upon the satisfactory completion of an undertaking to secure a contribution to the Council's Carbon Offset Fund and with the conditions listed in Section 15 of the report.

PLANNING APPEALS RECEIVED AND PLANNING DECISION REPORTS

The committee noted the report.

The meeting, which began at 7.03 pm, finished at 9.30 pm

CHAIRMAN.....

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