

PLANNING COMMITTEE

14th May 2024

Present: Chair: Councillor Hopkins
Town Mayor: Councillor Stevens

Councillors: Bridewell Britten Brown
 East Gay Geddes
 Greenwood Hoult Oliver
 Ormerod Rose Tanner
 Wallis Wooldridge

Officers: Simon Fisher, Town Clerk
 Elanor Oddy, Deputy Town Clerk

Members of the Public: Two, and a guest speaker

572. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on the 30th April 2024 having been circulated to all members were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

573. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Nash, Corbett, Pennington and Hunter.

574. DISCLOSURE(S) OF INTEREST

Councillor Wallis declared an interest in item 577, as a member of Wiltshire Council's Eastern Area Regulatory Committee.
Councillor Hoult declared an interest in item 577 as a resident of Longcroft Road, and would not be commenting on planning application PL/2024/03451.

575. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Two members of the public were present, and also Mr Mark Kurtan of Newland Homes, present to discuss the proposed Southgate House development.

576. FOR INFORMATION – PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION, SOUTHGATE HOUSE DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

Mr Mark Kurtan addressed the meeting to give an overview of the site and the proposed properties and amenities. There was a discussion in which members stressed the importance of a 30% affordable housing provision within the development. Access, parking and the trees with TPOs were also discussed.

577. FOR DECISION – PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

PL/2024/03451 - It was proposed by Councillor Wooldridge, seconded by Councillor Geddes and AGREED

THAT the Committee objected to the application on the grounds of overdevelopment of the site, the new building being only one metre apart from the existing building.

PL/2024/03542 - No comment

PL/2024/03611 - No objection

PL/2024/03643 - No objection.

578. FOR INFORMATION – WILTSHIRE COUNCIL'S NOTICE OF PLANS GRANTED OR REFUSED

The report was received and noted.

579. QUESTION TIME

Councillor Hoult had attended a Shop Watch meeting at which concern was expressed at the Market Place benches, and a request made to remove them. It was noted that the PSPO application had been submitted. Officers agreed to remove the benches to allow the area to be cleaned up, with the matter being reviewed in due course.

CHAIR