

CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 7th February 2018 at 7.00pm at Pinetrees Community Centre

- Present** Cllr P Exell (Chair)
Cllr J Ballman (Vice-Chair)
Cllr M Lucas
Cllr J Rodrigues
Cllr T Smith
Cllr J Yeowell
- Cllr D Moffatt (Non-committee Member)
Cllr S Thompson (Non-committee Member)
- Officers** A Reeves (Parish Manager)
H Morgan (Deputy Clerk)
- Public** Nine
- Public Session** There were no questions or comments from the members of the public present.
Cllr P Exell stated that Standing Orders would be suspended during the meeting to allow the public to speak about specific planning applications being examined.
- 338** **Apologies**
Cllr P Baker
- 339** **Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**
Cllr J Ballman declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 3.5
- 340** **Planning Applications to be examined**
- 340.1** **S/17/2015** Installation of air conditioning/refrigeration plant.
Unit 2
Barnfield Road **No objection**
Rodbourne
Swindon
SN2 2DJ
- 340.2** **S/18/0082** Erection of 1no. semi-detached dwelling.
68 Cypress Grove **Cllr P Exell confirmed Standing Orders were suspended**
Rodbourne Cheney **Mr William King, representing the Whitworth Road RA**
Swindon **stated concerns and objections to the application as**
SN2 1JP **follows:**
- **The application is for a semi detached dwelling which is not correct as the erection of an additional dwelling would create a row of 3 terrace houses.**
 - **The site plan includes SBC land which appears to have been adopted by the applicant.**
 - **Access to the property would be across a public green space**
 - **Restricted parking**
 - **An extension currently being built is not included in new plans**

A resident from 66 Cypress Grove shared Mr Kings concerns and stated that the plans show the existing property as a 2 bed which is not correct as the extension currently being built creates a 3-bed property.

Cllr P Exell confirmed Standing Orders are reinstated

Cllr M Lucas confirmed that plans show a boundary fence has been moved to include SBC land and the planned driveway suggests access would be over public green space.

Cllr P Exell moved that the application be objected, all unanimously agreed.

DECISION: Objection for the following reasons:

- encroachment on land not owned
- Over development
- not in keeping with street scene
- safety concerns/issues

340.3 S/18/0084
Rear Of 176 Whitworth
Road
Swindon
SN25 3BL

Erection of 1no. dwelling and associated works.

Cllr P Exell expressed concerns over access onto Thames Avenue

DECISION: Objection based on overdevelopment and concerns over access and poor sight on approach to access road

Poor quality of drawings to be noted.

340.4 S/18/0083
92 Cricklade Road
Swindon
SN2 8AF

Erection of an external staircase.

Cllr J Ballman confirmed SBC are currently looking into application

DECISION: That the Parish Council offer no comment

340.5 S/HOU/18/0028
13 Wheeler Avenue
Stratton St Margaret
Swindon
SN2 7HQ

Erection of a first floor extension to convert bungalow to house.

No objection

340.6 S/ADV/18/0043
Volkswagon Van Centre
Paddington Drive
Bridgemoor
Swindon
SN5 7SB

Display of various illuminated signage.

No objection

340.7 S/HOU/17/2045
191 Cheney Manor Road
Swindon
SN2 2NY

Erection of single storey rear extension.

No objection

- 340.8 S/ADV/18/0113**
Unit 1
Barnfield Road
Rodbourne
Swindon
SN2 2DJ
- Display of various illuminated and non-illuminated signs.
- No objection**
- 340.9 S/PRIORH/18/0058**
10 Norman Road
Gorse Hill
Swindon
SN2 1AZ
- Prior Approval Notification for the erection of a single storey rear extension measuring 3.64m (from original rear wall), 2.75m (maximum height) and 2.75m (height to eaves).
- No objection**
- 340.10 S/18/0020**
20 Cricklade Road
Swindon
SN2 8AA
- Change of use from Class A1 (retail) to Class A5 (hot food takeaway).
- Cllr J Ballman confirmed SBC are still to complete a site visit.**
- It was noted that there are several other takeaways in the area.**
- DECISION: That the Parish Council offer no comment**
- 340.11 S/HOU/17/2105**
131 Morris Street
Rodbourne
Swindon
SN2 2HS
- Erection of an annexe for dependant relatives.
- No objection**
- 341 Update on applications examined previously**
An update was circulated and noted, a copy of which can be found at Annex A in the minute book.
- 342 S106 & Funds**
The Parish Manager confirmed that S106 and similar funds are to be paid to the Parish Council in 3 separate tranches for CIL, S106 and Churchward Park.
- CIL – the Parish had budgeted for an expected £24,869 of CIL income and had received £27,206. There was no restriction, other than for community benefit, on how or where this money could be used.
 - S106 – an amount of £40,330 was allocated but had not yet been transferred to the Parish as at the date of the meeting. This amount is restricted in its use to community safety measures in Penhill, Gorse Hill and Pinehurst.
 - S106 – an amount of £20,350 was allocated from the Churchward development but had not yet been transferred to the Parish and there is some uncertainty as to where the money is being held. This is currently being investigated.
- The Parish Manager noted that outstanding funds must be resolved by year end. The Parish Manager is to provide a progress update at the March 2018 Planning & Environment meeting.
- 343 Planning Noticeboards**
The Parish Manager confirmed that all notice boards had been ordered and planning permission was being sought for the boards to be installed at Blair & Clive Parade.

344 **Backways**

Cllr D Moffatt gave a brief overview of the issue of a backway being blocked off in Ferndale. He confirmed that residents had collected 27 documents to back-up their request to re-open the backway in question to the public.

The meeting closed at 7.52pm

Signed.....

Date.....

Chair of the Council