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MINUTES OF THE EXTRA-ORDINARY FULL COUNCIL (PLANNING) MEETING 24th JULY 2018

PRESENT

Councillor (Mrs) P Webster (In the Chair)

Councillor: R Acres
A Bishop
(Mrs) J Bishop
(Mrs) J Clark
G Edwards
N Gardiner

IN ATTENDANCE

No Members of the Public attended.

APOLOGIES

29. Councillors C Adams, (Mrs) A Durrant, (Mrs) M Penny, S Weisinger, (Mrs) L Vardy, (Mrs) A H Livall, K Smith and P Adams

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

30. None.



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MINUTES OF MEETINGS

31. **RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL (PLANNING) MEETING HELD ON 17th JULY 2018 BE ADOPTED. THE MINUTES WERE DULY SIGNED.**

MATTERS ARISING

32. None.

CORRESPONDENCE

33. a. Email from Councillor S Weisinger. He has been informed that the Co-op has applied for a judicial review of the planning decision granted to ALDI to develop a store in Highworth.

He has spoken with the Borough Solicitor on this and the Agents who represent Aldi. Apparently this is a standard practice for the Co-op.

He believes that Highworth Town Council (HTC) should write to Richard Bell (Head of Planning) at Swindon Borough Council (SBC) confirming the Town Council fully supports the granting of the application to build Aldi.

He surmised that the two representatives from the Co-op were aware of this when they attended the Town Council meeting as the letter arrived the following morning at SBC.

A letter is to be written to SBC Head of Planning to re-iterate the full support of the Town Council for the Granting of Planning Permission for the store at Blackworth.

- b. Email from Councillor (Mrs) M Penny. Councillors affirmed that it was important to call an extraordinary Planning Meeting to consider applications to build houses in Highworth.

PLANNING PERMISSIONS/REFUSALS

PERMISSIONS

34. None.

REFUSALS

35. None.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

36. a. **S/OUT/18/1067** Outline planning permission for the erection of 3 no. bungalows and associated works – Access not reserved. Land at 2 Swindon Road, Highworth.

Councillors recommend acceptance. A presentation for this development was given to HTC in January 2016. This was too late to be included in the Neighbourhood

Plan, but Councillors agreed that if it had been in time, it would have been included. Councillors are of the opinion that as the proposed buildings are in the back garden of an existing residential property that the development does not extend into land not already associated with housing.

They are also of the opinion that the bungalows are in character with the area and will not be overbearing in the setting. Councillors recommended acceptance when the original outline Planning Application came before them in June 2016 and continue to be of this opinion, the original outline permission was given prior to the Making of the HNP and should therefore not be taken to contravene it. They would not wish their approval of this application to be seen as a precedent.

- b. **S/18/1157/IH** Demolition of double garage and erection of 1no. dwelling and associated works. Land adjacent to 11 Cricklade Road, Highworth. Councillors recommend acceptance.

- c. **S/HOU/18/1192SASM** Erection of 2no. Dormer windows and increase in height to garage. The Stables, Cricklade Road, Highworth. Councillors defer to the Officers

MEMBERS' BUSINESS

- 37. a. Councillor (Mrs) P Webster. Councillors unanimously confirmed that the s106 money set aside by SBC to pay for the sculpture on the Fox Roundabout (Public Art from the development of Land off Oak Drive) can be used for that purpose. The first invoice for half the cost may be paid.

Meeting closed 7.14 pm