
DACORUM BOROUGH COUNCIL

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

24 SEPTEMBER 2020

Present:

MEMBERS:

Councillor Guest (Chairman) Councillors, C Wyatt-Lowe (Vice-Chairman), Beauchamp, Durrant, Hobson, Maddern, McDowell, Riddick, R Sutton, Woolner and Tindall

Councillor also attended

OFFICERS:

The meeting began at Time Not Specified

34 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 August were confirmed by the Members present.
Hard-copy minutes will be signed by the Chair when restrictions are lifted

35 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Oguchi. Further apologies were offered at the meeting on behalf of Councillor Uttley who is currently unwell. The committee wishes Cllr Uttley a speedy recovery.

36 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Guest asked Members to remember to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary or other Interests at the beginning of the relevant planning application

37 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Councillor Guest advised that no members of public have registered to speak at this meeting and reminded any members of the public viewing the meeting about the rules of doing so.

38 INDEX TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS

39 20/01355/MFA - FULL PLANNING APPLICATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SINGLE STOREY, SINGLE CHAPEL CREMATORIUM WITH ASSOCIATED PARKING, LANDSCAPING AND

**INFRASTRUCTURE.
LAND SOUTH OF BEDMOND ROAD
HEMEL HEMPSTEAD
HERTFORDSHIRE**

The Case Officer, Robert Freeman, introduced the report to Members and said that the application had been referred to the Committee because the Borough Council is the landowner.

It was proposed by Councillor Maddern and seconded by Councillor Beauchamp to DELEGATE the application with a view to APPROVAL subject to the completion of a legal agreement under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended).

Vote:

For: 11 Against: 0 Abstained: 0

Resolved: That planning permission be DELEGATED with a view to APPROVAL and that the proposals be REFERRED to the MINISTRY OF HOUSING, COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT as a Departure to the Development Plan in accordance with Town and Country Planning (Consultation) (England) Direction 2009.

**40 20/01126/FUL - CONSTRUCTION OF A DETACHED BUNGALOW WITH
ASSOCIATED PARKING & LANDSCAPING, AND THE SECURING OF THE
ADJACENT LAND OUTLINED IN BLUE AN OPEN SPACE.
LAND AT LAUREL BANK
HEMEL HEMPSTEAD
HERTFORDSHIRE**

The Case Officer, Nigel Gibbs, introduced the report to Members and said that the application had been referred to the Committee as it was called in by Cllr Riddick if the recommendation was to grant planning permission.

Cllr Riddick confirmed that although he called this application in, he is coming to it with an open mind.

It was proposed by Councillor Colette Wyatt Lowe and seconded by Councillor Tindall that the application be DELEGATED with a view to APPROVAL subject to the completion of a legal agreement under Section 106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 (As amended).

Vote:

For: 2 Against: 7 Abstained: 2

It was proposed by Councillor Maddern and seconded by Councillor Riddick to REFUSE the application on the grounds of overdevelopment and the subsequent harm to the existing character of the area.

Vote:

For: 8 Against: 2 Abstained: 1

Resolved: That planning permission be REFUSED as the site is located within a residential area characterised by large modern detached dwellings, finished in similar materials, set a similar distance back from the road with relatively open frontages. Overall, the area has a spacious, residential and relatively open character and appearance. The proposal would appear as a cramped overdevelopment and conflict with prevailing pattern of development eroding the open spacious quality of the area and failing to integrate with the existing streetscape character. It would be conflict with the design expectations of Policies CS 11 and CS12 of the Dacorum Core Strategy (2013), including criteria (a) of Policy CS11 and criteria (c), (g) (i) and (iii) of Policy CS12.

41 EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The Chair announced that the business of the Development Management Committee was now concluded and advised attendees that the final item listed on the agenda is a briefing for Members and not Part 2 business.

The Chair thanked everyone for their time and confirmed the meeting closed.

a MEMBER BRIEFING

42 ADDENDUM

The Meeting ended at Time Not Specified