

Development Control Committee



Forest Heath
District Council

Minutes of a meeting of the **Development Control Committee** held on **Wednesday 7 January 2015** at **6.00 pm** at the **Council Chamber, District Offices**, College Heath Road, Mildenhall IP28 7EY

Present: **Councillors**

Chairman Chris Barker

Vice Chairman Andy Drummond

Michael Anderson
Bill Bishop
David Bowman
Rona Burt
Simon Cole
Roger Dicker

Warwick Hirst
Carol Lynch
Bill Sadler
Tony Simmons
Eddie Stewart

8. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors John Bloodworth and Geoffrey Jaggard.

Councillors Tim Huggan and Tony Wheble were also unable to attend the meeting.

9. **Substitutes**

Councillor Bill Sadler attended the meeting as substitute for Councillor Geoffrey Jaggard.

10. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2014 were accepted by the Committee as an accurate record, with 17 voting for the motion and with 1 abstention, and were signed by the Chairman.

11. **Planning Application DC/14/2163/FUL - Millfields, Fordham Road, Freckenham**

Construction of a three bedroom detached dwelling and single detached garage.

This application was referred to the Development Control Committee as the applicant was related to an elected Member.

No representations had been received in respect of this application and Officers were recommending that it be approved, as set out in Paragraph 29 of Report No DEV/FH/15/001.

Councillors Bill Sadler and Carol Lynch raised questions with regard to the site being outside of Freckenham's defined settlement boundary and these were responded to by both the Senior Planning Officer and the Development Manager.

Councillor David Bowman proposed that the application be approved and this was duly seconded by Councillor Eddie Stewart, and with the vote being unanimous, it was resolved that:

Planning permission be **GRANTED** subject to the following conditions:

1. Time Limit – 3 years;
2. Materials as specified on drawings;
3. No additional first floor windows in east and west elevations;
4. Boundary treatment to be provided prior to occupation;
5. New vehicular access to be surfaced with bound material;
6. Details of bin storage;
7. Details of surface water drainage;
8. Parking and turning area to be provided prior to occupation;
9. Visibility splays to be provided and maintained;
10. Construction hours limited to 08:00 – 18:00 Monday to Friday, 08:00 – 13:30 Saturdays and at no time on Sundays or Bank Holidays; and
11. Compliance with approved drawings.

12. **Urgent Business**

There were no items of Urgent Business raised.

13. **Committee Announcements**

The Chairman and the Cabinet Member for Planning, Housing and Transport jointly paid tribute to the Senior Planning Officer who was leaving the authority for pastures new after over six years, as this was to be her last Development Control Committee. The Officer was thanked for all her hard work and wished well by the Committee in her future employment.

With the permission of the Chairman, the Development Manager took the opportunity to remind all Members present of the joint Member Development session taking place at 6.00pm on 27 January 2015 (at the District Offices, Mildenhall) for Members of both West Suffolk authorities' Development Control Committees. She explained that the session was intended to be interactive and would be valuable to Members in updating them on recent regulatory changes.

The meeting concluded at 6.13 pm

Signed by:

Chairman
