

MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE

18 December 2024

PRESENT: Councillor Sandison (Vice-Chair in the Chair), Daly (substituting for Councillor Gillias) Edwards, Freeman, Harrington, Howling, Lawrence, Misty (substituting for Councillor Karadiar), Moran (substituting for Councillor Srivastava), Russell, Thomas and Willis (substituting for Councillor Maoudis).

45. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting on 4 December 2024 were approved and signed by the Vice-Chair.

46. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Gillias (Chairman), Karadiar, Maoudis and Srivastava.

47. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

48. APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment (Part 1 – Agenda Item 4).

All the representations received prior to the preparation of the agenda and considered by the Committee were referred to in the individual reports.

Subsequent representations also considered by the Committee related to the following applications:

(i) Parish Councils

None

(ii) Third Parties

None

At the meeting, the following representatives attended under the Council's public speaking procedure in respect of the following application:

R23/1027 Crouner Fields Farm and Home Farm, Hinckley Road (B4065), Ansty, Warwickshire, CV7 9JA

Mrs Gail Ash (objector)

Councillor John Reid (objector)

Councillor Adrian Warwick (objector)

Mr Rupert Visick (supporter)

Councillor Heather Timms (ward councillor)

In accordance with the Council's public speaking procedure, Councillor Timms left the meeting once all speakers had made their representations to the Committee.

Two addendums to planning application R23/1027, circulated in advance of the meeting and published on the Council website, was noted by the Planning Committee.

RESOLVED THAT – the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment be authorised to issue decision notices and make amendments to the conditions and informatives outlined in the draft decision notice as indicated in relation to the applications below, together with the written addendum:

- (a) Creation of an employment-led headquarters campus development, composed of head office and distribution/warehouse facilities, concept research and development retail and leisure (including gym, swimming pool, sports hall and associated facilities), ancillary food and beverage and convenience retail, onsite accommodation including a hotel and group accommodation, learning and development academy (including auditorium and training rooms), supplier offices, helipad, landscaping and ecological enhancements, sports pitches, site contouring, earth bunds, drainage, surface and multi-storey car parking, cycle parking, access roads, cycleways and footways, permanent ingress/egress, associated infrastructure and works, and demolition of existing buildings/structures at Crowner Fields Farm and Home Farm, Hinckley Road (B4065), Ansty, Warwickshire, CV7 9JA (R23/1027) – Councillor Moran moved, and Councillor Freeman seconded that Chief Officer for Growth and Investment be authorised to grant planning permission:
 - 1) Subject to:
 - a. Referral to the planning casework unit;
 - b. The conditions and informatives set out in the draft decision notice appended to this report; and
 - c. The completion of a legal agreement to secure the necessary financial contributions and/or planning obligations.
 - 2) The Chief Officer for Growth and Investment be given delegated authority to make minor amendments to the conditions and informatives outlined in the draft decision notice;
 - 3) The Chief Officer for Growth and Investment (in consultation with the Planning Committee Chair) be given delegated authority to add, vary or remove any of the financial contributions and/or planning obligations outlined in the heads of terms within this report; and
 - 4) In the event that the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) (2023) is updated between the resolution to grant and the issuing of the decision notice, the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment be delegated authority to:
 - a. Consider whether those changes to the NPPF are sufficiently significant that it would change the recommendation within the report; and
 - b. Make any minor amendment to the conditions, informatives and/or planning obligations (including financial contributions) that they deem are necessary to reflect the updated NPPF or whether the application required reporting back to Planning Committee.

CHAIR