Minutes of the Planning Committee

24 May 2021

-: Present :-

Councillor Pentney (Chairman)

Councillors Brown, Dart, Dudley, Hill, Kennedy, Barbara Lewis, Loxton and Jacqueline Thomas

(Also in attendance: Councillors David Thomas, Chris Lewis, Mills (at the meeting venue) Cllr Amil, Law, Cllrs Steve and Mandy Darling, Brooks, Barrand (virtually)

27. Apologies for absence

It was reported that, in accordance with the wishes of the Independent Group, the membership of the Committee had been amended for this meeting by including Councillor Loxton instead of Councillor Mills.

28. Minutes

The Chairman deferred this item to the next meeting.

29. Order of Business

The Chairman varied the order of business to enable agenda Item 6 (Land at Dartmouth Road, Paignton, TQ4 6LL P/2021/0385) to be considered before Item 5 (Pier Point Café, Torbay Road, Torquay, TQ2 5HA P/2020/1288).

30. Disclosure of Interests

Councillor Jacqueline Thomas declared a non-pecuniary interest in respect of Land at Dartmouth Road as she used the same mobile provider 'Three'.

31. Pier Point Café, Torbay Road, Torquay, TQ2 5HA P/2020/1288

The Committee considered an application for alterations and an extension to the existing restaurant to incorporate a takeaway element, together with a change of use of retail element to restaurant/takeaway elements only.

Prior to the meeting, Members of the Planning Committee undertook a virtual site visit and written representations were available on the Council's Website.

At the meeting Dr Rodney Horder, on behalf of Torquay Neighbourhood Forum, addressed the Committee (via Zoom) in support of the application.

Resolved:

Approve subject to the conditions set out in the submitted report.

32. Land At Dartmouth Rd, Dartmouth Rd, Paignton, TQ4 6LL P/2021/0385

The Committee considered an application for prior approval of the siting and appearance of the installation of a 20 metre telecommunications mast with associated street cabinets.

Prior to the meeting, Members of the Planning Committee undertook a virtual site visit and written representations were available on the Council's Website.

At the meeting, the Development Management Service Manager reported that additional representatives had been submitted following publication of the agenda. The representations raised two new issues namely: alternative sites for the mast; and the mast being used for surveillance and so invading people's privacy.

Mr Brian Payne then addressed the Committee (via Zoom) against the application. In accordance with Standing Order B4.1 Councillor Mills also addressed the Committee (physical attendance at the meeting venue).

Resolved:

Approved with reasons as outlined in the submitted report.

Chairman