Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of Planning Committee held at 2.00 pm on Thursday, 10 June 2021

Present:

Members: Councillor L Harvard (Chair)

Councillor P Akhtar

Councillor R Auluck (Deputy Chair)

Councillor R Bailey
Councillor M Heaven
Councillor G Lloyd
Councillor C Miks
Councillor S Nazir
Councillor A Tucker

Other Members: Councillors J Lepoidevin, P Male and R Simpson

Employees Present:

L Albrighton, Highways and Drainage R Back, Planning and Regulation S Bennett, Law and Governance M Bharaj, Planning and Regulation R Hall, Highways and Drainage D Henry, Planning and Regulation A Lynch, Planning and Regulation U Patel, Law ad Governance M Salmon, Law and Governance C Sinclair, Law and Governance E Spandley, Planning and Regulation C Thomson, Law and Governance

Apologies: Councillors N Akhtar and D Skinner

Public Business

13. **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor A Tucker declared an interest in the matter referred to in Minute 16 and Minute 17 below (Application FUL/2020/3095 – 7 Nutbrook Avenue and Application FUL/2020/1143 – London Taxi Holyhead Road). He withdrew from the meeting during the consideration of these items.

14. Members Declarations of Contact on Planning Applications

The Members named declared a contact on the following applications as indicated:

FUL/2020/1143 - London	Councillor Lloyd	Residents
Taxi Holyhead Road		

15. Late Representations

The Committee noted a tabled report which summarised late representations and responses on the following:

Application	Site	Minute
FUL/2020/3095	7 Nutbrook Avenue	16
FUL/2020/1143	London Taxi Holyhead Road	17

16. Application FUL/2020/3095 - 7 Nutbrook Avenue

The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Lead for Planning detailing the above application for the change of use from a C3 dwelling house and related outbuilding to children's day nursery incorporating new decked areas, Perspex canopy areas and new drive. The application was recommended for approval subject to conditions.

The late representations document tabled at the meeting reported on further comments received which questioned the sequential assessment and the document concluded that having investigated the provision of children's day care facilities within the area, the sequential assessment was misleading.

Councillor J Lepoidevin and Councillor P Male, Woodlands Ward Councillors and a number of registered speakers were present at the meeting and spoke in respect of their objections to the application. The applicant's representative submitted a statement in support of the application which was read out on his behalf.

Following consideration of the report and the representations made at the meeting, the Committee considered that the proposal would have a detrimental impact on a predominantly residential area. The Committee were not satisfied with the proposed traffic management plan, especially the proposed orderly drop off and pick up and considered that given the nature of the business, there was likely to be more interaction with staff and parents. This would invariably result in increased traffic congestion in the area. The Committee considered that the proposed business would have a detrimental impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties.

RESOLVED that planning permission be refused in respect of Application FUL/2020/3095 as the Committee considered that the proposal would result in an over intensive use of the site which would have a detrimental impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties and the need had not been demonstrated. In addition, the proposal failed to demonstrate a robust traffic management plan.

(Notes: 1. Councillor P Akhtar did not take part in the consideration and voting on this application as he was not present in the meeting.

2. Councillor A Tucker having declared an interest, did not participate in the consideration or voting on this application.)

17. Application FUL/2020/1143 - London Taxi Holyhead Road

The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Lead for Planning detailing the above application for erection of an extension to multi-storey car storage building, together with access alterations, car parking, drainage, landscaping and associated works (Resubmission of FUL/2019/3194). The application was recommended for approval.

The late representations document tabled at the meeting appraised further comments received since the publication of the report.

The Committee considered a petition objecting to the application bearing 69 signatures, organised and sponsored by Councillor R Simpson, a Sherbourne Ward Councillor. Councillor Simpson was present at the meeting and spoke in respect of the petition. The applicant's representative was also present at the meeting and spoke in support of the application.

RESOLVED that planning permission be granted in respect of Application FUL/2020/1143 subject to conditions within the report.

(Notes: Councillor P Akhtar did not take part in the consideration and voting on this application as he was not present in the meeting.

2. Councillor A Tucker having declared an interest, did not participate in the consideration or voting on this application.)

18. Application FUL/2020/3070 - 57 Woodway Lane

The Committee considered a report of the Strategic Director for Planning detailing the above application for the change of use from a Care Home (Use Class C2) to a House in Multiple Occupation (HMO) (Sui Generis) which was recommended for approval subject to conditions.

RESOLVED that the grant of planning permission in respect of Application FUL/2020/3070 be delegated to the Strategic Lead for Planning, subject to the conditions listed in the report.

19. Outstanding Issues

There were no outstanding issues.

20. Any other items of public business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved

There were no other items of public business.

(Meeting closed at 4.15 pm)