

Minutes of the Planning Committee

24 June 2024

-: Present :-

Councillor Brook (Chairman)

Councillors Billings (Vice-Chair), Fox, Maddison, Tolchard and Strang

(Also in attendance: Councillors Barbara Lewis, Chris Lewis and David Thomas)

55. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Pentney and Virdee.

56. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 29 April 2024 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

57. Eastern Esplanade and Preston Promenade, Paignton (P/2023/0905)

The Committee considered an application for installation of coastal defences and associated works.

Prior to the meeting written representations were available on the Council's website.

At the meeting the Planning Officer advised, that since the report had been published, an additional letter of representation had been received relating to an extant planning permission, responses had been received from Torbay Design Review Panel (Design West) and the Geopark Management Group, both supporting the scheme; WSP on behalf of the Local Highway Authority which had proposed additional planning conditions relating to a road safety audit, cycle parking, pedestrian infrastructure, a Construction Management Plan and stopping up; and from Active Travel England who had proposed deferral requesting further assessment, evidence, revisions and dialogue particularly around the contraflow cycle lane being provided with physical protection from reversing vehicles or re-design to improve visibility and reduce the risk of conflict between motor vehicles and cyclists.

Resolved:

Approved subject to:

1. the conditions as outlined within the submitted report;

2. the inclusion of additional conditions relating to a road safety audit, pedestrian infrastructure, and stopping up;
3. reconsidering the use of Condition 12 to reflect the overriding public interest in carrying out the works;
4. the final drafting of conditions delegated to the Divisional Director of Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency; and
5. the resolution of any new material considerations that may come to light following Planning Committee to be delegated to the Divisional Director of Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency, including the addition of any necessary further planning conditions or obligations.

58. Seabury Hotel, 11 Manor Road, Torquay (P/2023/0721)

The Committee considered an application for demolition of existing hotel building and erection of 14 residential apartments, and associated parking and landscaping.

Prior to the meeting, Members of the Planning Committee undertook a site visit and written representations were available on the Council's website. At the meeting Mr Mike Cowdery addressed the Committee on behalf of the Torquay Neighbourhood Forum in support of the application. Mr Alan Griffey addressed the Committee on behalf of the St Marychurch Community Partnership Steering Group in support of the application. Mr Martin Hill addressed the Committee in support of the application.

At the meeting the Planning Officer advised Members that since the submitted report was published, the underground recycling and waste storage plan had been replaced by a new proposed layout for waste storage points which were not located underground. No further consultation had been undertaken in respect of the new proposed layout.

Resolved:

Approved subject to:

1. the drafting of conditions delegated to the Divisional Director of Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency; and
2. the resolution of any new material considerations that may come to light following Planning Committee to be delegated to the Divisional Director of Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency, including the addition of any necessary further planning conditions or obligations.

59. Brunel Manor, Teignmouth Road, Torquay (P/2023/0606)

The Committee considered an application for redevelopment and conversion of land at Brunel Manor including the conversion of Brunel Manor to provide 17 dwellings, the retention of Brunel Court and Brunel Lodge to provide 9 dwellings and the construction of 9 new dwellings, with associated parking, access and landscaping.

Prior to the meeting, Members of the Planning Committee undertook a site visit and written representations were available on the Council's website. At the meeting Mr Mike Cowdery addressed the Committee on behalf of the Torquay Neighbourhood Forum in support of the application. Mr Ian Jewson addressed the Committee in support of the application.

Resolved:

Approved subject to:

1. the completion of a Section 106 agreement;
2. the planning conditions outlined in the submitted report, with the final drafting of planning conditions delegated to the Divisional Director of Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency; and
3. the resolution of any new material considerations that may come to light following Planning Committee to be delegated to the Divisional Director of Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency, including the addition of any necessary further planning conditions or obligations.

60. Brunel Manor, Teignmouth Road, Torquay (P/2023/0616)

The Committee considered an application for listed building consent for the conversion of Brunel Manor to provide 17 dwellings, including the redevelopment and conversion of land at Brunel Manor, the retention of Brunel Court and Brunel Lodge to provide 9 dwellings and the construction of 9 new dwellings, with associated parking, access and landscaping.

Prior to the meeting, Members of the Planning Committee undertook a site visit and written representations were available on the Council's website. At the meeting Mr Mike Cowdery addressed the Committee on behalf of the Torquay Neighbourhood Forum in support of the application. Mr Ian Jewson addressed the Committee in support of the application.

Resolved:

Approved subject to:

1. the conditions outlined within the submitted report, with the final drafting of planning conditions delegated to the Divisional Director of Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency; and

2. the resolution of any new material considerations that may come to light following Planning Committee to be delegated to the Divisional Director of Planning, Housing and Climate Emergency, including the addition of any necessary further planning conditions or obligations.

Chairman
