

**EARL SHILTON TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF A PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Held at 7.00 p.m. on  
**Tuesday 13 April 2021**

Vide remote/virtual means on the *Zoom.us* information systems (IS) platform.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Councillors: Cllr R Allen Chairman, Mrs C Coe Deputy Chairman,  
Mrs C Allen and K Lapsley.

In attendance:

Town Clerk: Mr ME Jackson.

Members of public: Three as recorded.

**20/062** *Chairman's welcome and opening remarks.*

The Cttee Chairman greeted colleagues, thanked them for attending this virtual meeting; extended a special welcome to the 3 members of the public noting it is always good to record public participation in such vital matters to the Town and are regarded as key to good governance.

In line with Court Mourning for HRH the Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, Cllrs, the Town Clerk and members of the public all observed a minutes silence before proceeding to the agenda proper.

***Noted and received.***

**20/063** *To receive apologies for member absence. **None:** full attendance.*

**20/064** *Declarations of interests. To receive disclosures of member's interests, i.e. the existence and the nature of those interests in respect of items on this agenda. **None.***

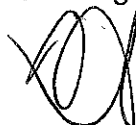
**20/065** *To receive and approve as a true record the minutes of the Planning Cttee meeting held on 09 March 2021.  
**Resolved: to accept as a true record, the minutes of the meeting of the 09 March 2021 as tabled and circulated to members prior to the meeting.***

**20/066** *Planning applications/correspondence received as a Town Council 'statutory consultee' from HBBC, adjacent Districts and or LCC as Local or County Planning Authorities (LPAs) respectively or relevant source, for the following:*

*a. 20/01225/FUL (**14 day re-consultation**) – Marlpit Farm, 108 dwellings. See HBBC website (Planning) for Planning Portal extensive documentation.*

The Cttee Chairman invited the resident members of the public to speak in turn. Points to note were as follows:

- The local MP has been consulted but implied in his reply that legal pressure on the Borough Council 5 year land supply requirement will make opposition very difficult for any stakeholder objections to be effective. The further implication from the MP is that the best outcome for



all stakeholders is to have the safest, most sensitive and sustainable development approved by the Borough Council acting as the Local Planning Authority (LPA).

- Concerns were raised regarding the removal of established hedgerows, no new highway lighting apparently defined, inadequate width, (in particular), and length of footways leading to the Town Centre and in other directions.
- The current owner of Marlpit Farm claims through a 3<sup>rd</sup> party that they have not received notice of the re-consultation.
- The extensive planning application papers are claimed not to address the restoration of any damage caused to the ecology/biodiversity of the proposed development.

**Resolved: that Town Council members continue to object to this application based on the misgivings of local residents about the safety, sensitivity and sustainability of highways; (particularly ingress and egress into/from this major development onto the busy and 'fast' Thurlaston Lane), footways, and lighting columns. Nothing short of a full onsite visit by the LPA Planning Cttee conjointly with HBBC Planning Officers, LCC Highways Officers and HBBC Cllr Ward Members, invited as observers, will be needed to assure residents this is a well planned development to the long term benefit of the Town and Borough.**

b. 21/00395/CONDIT – Folly View off Keats Ln – removal of condition 3 – no dwelling to be erected on open countryside.

**No material Consultee comments.**

c. Relevant late applications/correspondence received since this agenda was set.

i) 21/00156/FUL – Land off Shilton/Kirby Rd – Extn to Stable Block retrospective. Cttee members, led by the Chairman, observed that before approval of any retrospective extension to the stable block, with its consequential extra water usage and production of ordure is considered, then HBBC officers should make a site visit to gauge the extent to which owner/occupiers have allowed anecdotal historic water courses and ditches to be filled possibly resulting in unnecessary flooding of the area with potentially unacceptable levels of contaminated water.

**Resolved: to observe the above mentioned comments to the LPA.**

ii) 21/00314/CONDIT – Breach Farm House off Town side Breach Lane.

**No material Consultee comments.**

iii) 20/01122/FUL – 4 Oxford St – 2 semi-detached dwellings – Appn withdrawal.

**Noted and received.**

**Confidential Items – in accordance with the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public will be excluded from the agenda items below by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be discussed and will be requested to withdraw. Members will resolve to go into Private Session. \*Not applicable.**

**20/067** To consider the issues/updates from the Cttee Chairman/Town Clerk/Members or others regarding late relevant confidential items received since this agenda was set. **\*None.**

**The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.30 p.m. thanking members for their attendance and contributions.**

