
PLANNING AND RIGHTS OF WAY PANEL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12 MARCH 2019

Present: Councillors Savage (Chair), Coombs (Vice-Chair), Claisse, L Harris, Mitchell, Murphy and Wilkinson

62. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (INCLUDING MATTERS ARISING)**

RESOLVED: that the minutes for the Panel meeting on 26 February 2019 be approved and signed as a correct record.

63. **MARHILL COPSE FELLING LICENCE AND APPLICATION FOR WORKS SUBJECT TO A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER.**

The Panel considered the report of the Service Director - Transactions and Universal Services seeking:

- the Panels consideration in order to respond to the Forestry Commission in relation to the issuing of a felling licence to Southampton International Airport Limited for felling works at Marlhill Copse; and
- approval of content within tree work application 19/00006/TPO. The work detailed is required in order to carry out the work within the felling licence application.

Gareth Narbed (local resident objecting), Graham Linecar (Southampton Commons and Parks Protection Society) Steve Thurston (Applicant) and Councillor Fuller (Ward Councillor) were present and with the consent of the Chair, addressed the Panel.

The Panel noted that additional correspondence and information had been received including an ecologist report prepared for on behalf of objectors to the works. The Panel noted that the area known as 1D have been removed from the felling licence and that therefore the number of trees being requested to be felled was now 20.

It was explained that the main felling works subject of the proposed felling licence were part of the Airport's obstacle management strategy to remove obstructions. Officers explained that the TPO works were required in order to facilitate the main felling works. Officers advised that in the light of the correspondence and additional information received, officers had amended the recommendation, as set out below, to ensure that the Council was actively involved in the Copse's management plan. In addition the officers recommended that nursery class trees be planted along the rear of the properties and that there is an appropriate scheme of ecological mitigation.

On being put to the vote the office's amended recommendation was carried.

RECORDED VOTE:

FOR Councillors Savage, Coombs, Claisse, L Harris, Mitchell and Wilkinson

AGAINST: Councillor Murphy

RESOLVED that

- (i) To grant consent to the work as detailed within tree work application 19/00006/TPO for facilitation work at Marlhill Copse with a condition attached for a replacement tree and that it only be completed once a felling licence is received.
- (ii) To offer no objection to the Forestry Commission over the issuing of a felling licence for Southampton Airport to carry out the works at Marlhill Copse. Subject to the request that the following recommendations are applied:
 - a. The approval comes with an undertaking that the Marlhill Copse Woodland Management Plan be incorporated within any permission and that the Council be fully involved with the Plan.
 - b. Nursery standard trees be planted along the rear of the properties on a one for one basis for the felling of the 20 trees in the application. This is in addition to the 3 for 1 whip planting.
 - c. An appropriate scheme of ecological mitigation, based upon a preliminary ecological appraisal and any recommended phase two species specific surveys, is submitted to the local planning authority for approval prior to works, including site preparation, taking place.

64. **FACILITATION OF PHASE 1 OF SCN10 – A3024 BURSLEDON ROAD**

The Panel considered the report of the Service Director - Transactions and Universal Services seeking approval for the removal of Council owned trees to facilitate Phase 1 of SCN10 – A3024 Bursledon Road, and to replant with two trees for every one removed.

Lindsay Bluemel (local resident objector) was present and with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

The presenting officer explained that the report sought permission to remove an number of trees and that the Upon being put to the vote the Officer's recommendation was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that

- (i) Remove approximately nine sycamore, two ash, two Scots pine and one willow.
- (ii) To replant two trees for every one removed.

65. **PLANNING APPLICATION - 18/02272/FUL - 182-184 BITTERNE ROAD WEST**

The Panel considered the report of the Service Lead, Planning, Infrastructure and Development recommending delegated authority be granted in respect of an application for a proposed development at the above address.

Erect three storey building (with basement) to provide replacement commercial space at basement/ground floor, either within Class A1 or dental surgery only within Class D1, with 1 No. three bedroom maisonette over, either within Class C3 or Class C4. Associated single vehicle servicing bay accessed from new dropped kerb to Athelstan Road. Integral bicycle parking and refuse storage, following demolition of existing retail premises (Resubmission of planning application 18/00358/FUL).

Linda Long, Peter Messer and Jon Searle (local residents objecting), Steve Lawrence (agent), and Councillor Keogh (ward councillor objecting) were present and with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

The presenting officer reported that 1 additional letter of support for the application had been received.

Upon being put to the vote the Panel confirmed the Habitats Regulation Assessment. The Panel then considered the recommendation to delegate authority to the Service Lead: Planning, Infrastructure and Development to grant planning permission. Upon being put to the vote the recommendation was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that the Panel:

- (i) confirmed the Habitats Regulation Assessment set out in Appendix 1 of the report.
- (ii) delegated authority to service Lead Infrastructure, Planning and Development to grant conditional approval subject to no fresh planning related issues being received in connection with the updated car parking survey by Wednesday 13th March 2019
- (iii) That the Service Lead – Infrastructure, Planning and Development be given delegated powers to add, vary and /or conditions as necessary

66. **PLANNING APPLICATION - 18/02228/FUL - PARKER HOUSE, CENTENARY QUAY**

The Panel considered the report of the Service Lead, Planning, Infrastructure and Development recommending that conditional planning permission be granted in respect of an application for a proposed development at the above address.

Proposed change of use of part of the building from D2 Leisure Use to B8 Storage and the creation of mezzanine floor space.

Jim Bevan (agent) was present and with the consent of the Chair, addressed the meeting.

The Panel then considered the recommendation to grant conditional planning permission. Upon being put to the vote the recommendation was carried unanimously.

RESOLVED that planning permission be approved subject to the conditions set out within the report

67. **QUARTERLY DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT FIGURES**

The Panel considered and noted the report of the Service Lead - Infrastructure, Planning and Development detailing the Planning Department's performance against key planning metrics.