

## **CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Northern Planning Committee**  
held on Wednesday, 22nd March, 2023 in the Capesthorne Room,  
Town Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1EA

### **PRESENT**

Councillor J Nicholas (Chair)

Councillors T Dean, JP Findlow, A Harewood, S Holland, D Jefferay,  
I Macfarlane, N Mannion, L Smetham, J Smith, M Hunter and J Clowes

### **OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Nicky Folan – Planning Solicitor

Paul Wakefield – Planning Team Leader

Neil Jones – Principal Development Officer

Gaynor Hawthornthwaite – Democratic Services Officer

### **59 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillor L Braithwaite and Councillor M Beanland. Councillor M Hunter attended as a substitute for Councillor L Braithwaite and Councillor J Clowes attended as a substitute for Councillor M Beanland.

### **60 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/PRE DETERMINATION**

In the interests of openness, the following declarations were made:

- Councillor D Jefferay declared that with regard to item 6 – application 22/4758M, he would be exercising his right to speak as the Ward Councillor under the Public Speaking Protocol and would then leave the room for the remainder of the item.
- Councillor M Hunter declared that he was a Director of ANSA, and was not sure if they had been consulted, as part of the statutory consultations, but had not been involved in any discussions with ANSA on these applications.
- Councillor L Smetham mentioned that she had brought a resident, who has an interest in Local Government, to the meeting today to observe and has no interest in any of the items on the agenda.

**61 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

**RESOLVED:**

That the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 February 2023 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**62 PUBLIC SPEAKING**

That the public speaking procedure be noted.

**63 22/4163M - WILMSLOW MANOR CARE HOME, 51, HANDFORTH ROAD, WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE, SK9 2LX: THREE-STOREY SIDE EXTENSION TO EXISTING CARE HOME TO PROVIDE AN ADDITIONAL THREE BEDROOMS FOR MR J P SINGLETON, NEWCARE (HANDFORTH) LTD**

Consideration was given to the above application.

(Councillor L Anderson, (Ward Councillor), Councillor J Newell (Wilmslow Town Council) and Ms C Fairhurst (on behalf of the applicant) attended the meeting and spoke in respect of the application).

**RESOLVED:**

That the application be REFUSED for the following reasons:

1. The impact on existing residents to the east of the proposed development looking at a blank wall.
2. The extension is obtrusive in design terms.

This decision was contrary to the recommendation in the report.

*The Committee adjourned for a short break.*

**64 22/4758M - 4, WAREHAM STREET, WILMSLOW, SK9 1BT: VARIATION OF CONDITION 1 AND REMOVAL OF CONDITION 3 ON APPROVAL 21/3436M FOR RETROSPECTIVE APPLICATION FOR EXTERNAL DRINKING & DINING AREA IN CONNECTION WITH RESTAURANT WITH PROPOSED DECKING AND CANOPY FOR MS A MOTT, SOTTO**

Consideration was given to the above application.

(Councillor D Jefferay (Ward Councillor) and Ms A Mott (Applicant) attended the meeting and spoke in respect of the application).

Following speaking as the Ward Member, in accordance with the public speaking protocol, as stated in the Declaration of Interest/Pre Determination, Councillor Jefferay left the meeting and returned following consideration of the application.

Prior to the debate on this item, Councillor Hunter declared that as the Chair of the Strategic Planning Board, he would leave the meeting and return following consideration of the application, should the application be referred back to the Strategic Planning Board.

**RESOLVED:**

That the application be DEFERRED for the following reasons:

1. To resolve the maintenance/protection/care of the trees on site
2. Submission of information to identify the economic benefits and justification for the proposal
3. To identify mitigation for the loss of open space in other open space

Following consideration of this application, Councillor Smith left the meeting and did not return.

*The Committee adjourned for a short break.*

**65 PLANNING ENFORCEMENT UPDATE REPORT**

The Committee considered the report on the performance of the Planning Enforcement Services during the period 2021 – 2022, which provided a status report on the cases where formal enforcement action had already been taken.

**RESOLVED:**

That the report be noted.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 am and concluded at 1.55 pm

Councillor J Nicholas (Chair)