CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Southern Planning Committee** held on Wednesday, 5th October, 2011 at Lecture Theatre, Crewe Library, Prince Albert Street, Crewe, Cheshire CW1 2DH

PRESENT

Councillor G Merry (Chairman)
Councillor M J Weatherill (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors P Butterill, J Clowes, W S Davies, L Gilbert, A Kolker, S McGrory, D Marren, M A Martin, D Newton, M Sherratt and A Thwaite

NON-COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor M Simon

OFFICERS PRESENT

Sheila Dillon (Senior Solicitor)
David Malcolm (Southern Area Manager – Development Management)
Paul Moore (Principal Planning Officer)

Apologies

Councillors M Jones and G Morris

81 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor P Butterill declared a personal interest in respect of application number 11/2784N on the grounds that the applicant was a fellow member of Nantwich Town Council, which had been consulted on the proposed development. In accordance with the code of conduct, she remained in the meeting during consideration of this item.

Councillor D Marren declared a personal interest in respect of application number 11/2784N on the grounds that the applicant was a fellow member of Nantwich Town Council, which had been consulted on the proposed development. In accordance with the code of conduct, he remained in the meeting during consideration of this item.

Councillor S McGrory declared a personal interest in respect of application number 11/2164C on the grounds that he was a member of Middlewich Town Council, which had been consulted on the proposed development. Councillor McGrory also declared that, as one of the Ward Councillors, he had had discussions about planning applications relating to this site, but had not expressed an opinion. In accordance with the code of conduct, he remained in the meeting during consideration of this item.

82 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on 14 September 2011 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

83 11/2164C BOOSEYS GARDEN CENTRE, NEWTON BANK, MIDDLEWICH CW10 9EX: REDEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE A CLASS A1 RETAIL BUILDING, CAR PARK AND SERVICE YARD FOR RADCLIFFE DEVELOPMENTS (CHESHIRE) LTD

Note: Mr M Baker (representing objectors), Mr A Wood (representing supporters) and Mr S Tibenham (agent representing the applicant) attended the meeting and addressed the Committee on this matter.

Note: As the supporters' representative was closely linked to the application, the Committee agreed to extend the speaking period for the objectors' representative to 5 minutes, in accordance with paragraph 2.8 of the Protocol on Public Speaking Rights at Strategic Planning Board and Planning Committees.

The Committee considered a report regarding the above planning application, an oral report of the site inspection and an oral update by the Principal Planning Officer.

RESOLVED – That the application be DEFERRED to the next meeting of the Committee, to enable officers to consider a late representation and undertake further retail assessments in the light of another application for a retail scheme which had recently been received.

84 11/2784N 48, LONDON ROAD, STAPELEY CW5 7JL: FIRST FLOOR SIDE EXTENSION AND SINGLE-STOREY FRONT EXTENSION FOR COUNCILLOR ANDREW MARTIN

Note: Councillors M Martin and D Newton left the meeting prior to consideration of this application.

The Committee considered a report regarding the above planning application.

RESOLVED – That the application be APPROVED subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Standard (3 years)
- 2. Plans
- 3. Materials as per application

85 11/3112N LAND AT CREWE ROAD, WISTASTON, CREWE, CHESHIRE CW2 6PR: 13M HIGH JOINT OPERATOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS STREET FURNITURE TOWER, 1NO EQUIPMENT CABINET AND 1NO METER PILLAR FOR O2 AND VODAFONE

Note: Councillor M Simon (Ward Councillor) attended the meeting and addressed the Committee on this matter.

The Committee considered a report regarding the above planning application, a written update and an oral update by the Southern Area Manager - Development Management.

RESOLVED – That, contrary to the planning officer's recommendation for approval, the application be REFUSED for the following reason:

The proposed development by reasoning of its height, siting and design would create an alien and intrusive feature. This is a prominent location within the residential area and this proposal would represent a visually incongruous insertion that would harm the character and appearance of the area. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policies NE.18 (Telecommunications Development), and BE.2 (Design Standards) of the Borough of Crewe and Nantwich Replacement Local Plan 2011.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 3.30 pm

Councillor G Merry (Chairman)