

Planning Committee – Meeting held on Thursday, 30th July, 2015.

Present:- Councillors Dar (Chair), Ajaib, M Holledge (Vice-Chair), Bains, Davis, Plenty, Smith (arrived 6.55 pm) and Swindlehurst

Apologies for Absence:- Councillor Chaudhry

PART I

29. Apologies for Absence

An apology was received from Councillor Chaudhry.

30. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Ajaib declared an interest in respect of planning applications: P/00789/028 - 1 Brunel Way, Slough, and P/06684/015 - Queensmere Shopping Centre, Wellington Street, Slough, in that both applications were situated within his Ward. He advised that he would approach both applications with an open mind and debate and vote on the items.

Councillor Bains declared an interest in respect of planning application P/00789/028 - 1 Brunel Way, Slough, in that the application was situated 0.5 miles from his home. He advised that he would approach the application with an open mind and debate and vote on the item.

31. Guidance on Predetermination/Predisposition - To Note

Members confirmed that they had read and understood the guidance on predetermination and predisposition.

32. Minutes of the Last Meeting held on Wednesday 1st July, 2015

Resolved - That the minutes of the meeting held on 1st July, 2015, be approved as a correct record.

33. Human Rights Act Statement - To Note

The Human Rights Act Statement was noted.

34. Planning Applications

Details were tabled in the amendment sheet of alterations and amendments received since the agenda was circulated. The Committee adjourned for ten minutes to allow Members the opportunity to read the amendment sheet.

Oral representations were made to the Committee by an objector and agent under the Public Participation Scheme prior to the planning applications being considered by the Committee as follows:-

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Application- P/06684/015 - Queensmere Shopping Centre, Wellington Street, Slough, an Objector, and the Applicant's Agent, addressed the Committee.

Resolved – That the decisions be taken in respect of the planning applications as set out in the minutes below, subject to the information, including conditions and informatives set out in the report of the Head of Planning Policy and Projects and the amendments sheet tabled at the meeting and subject to any further amendments and conditions agreed by the Committee.

35. P/04385/014 - Dawson House, Ladbrooke Road, Slough, SL1 2SR

	Decision
Change of use of first and second floors from B1 (a) office to C3 residential as well as alterations and the construction of an additional floor of residential accommodation to provide 6no. studio, 21no. one bedroom units, 3no. two bedroom units, construction of bin and cycle stores and the construction of a dry escape ramp.	Delegated to the Planning Manager for formal determination following resolution of highway and transport matters, finalising of conditions and completion of a Section 106 Agreement.

(Councillor Smith did not take part in the debate or vote on the above item as he was not in attendance when the item was introduced by the Planning Officer).

36. P/00789/028 - 1 Brunel Way, Slough, SL1 1XL

	Decision
Demolition of existing building and erection of five - storey office building (class B1a) with ancillary ground floor unit with flexible class A1 / A3 / A4 / D2 use; including 100 car parking spaces and associated servicing arrangements enhanced landscaping and associated public realm improvements and other associated works.	Deferred to a future Committee meeting to allow further discussion with the Applicant to achieve an improvement to the façade and character of the building.

(The meeting adjourned at 7.25pm and reconvened at 7.35pm)

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37. P/06684/015 - Queensmere Shopping Centre, Wellington Street, Slough, SL1 1LN

	Decision
<p>Partial demolition and internal alterations/extensions to existing shopping centre as part of a part new build/part refurbished mixed used scheme for 11, 533 sq m of A1 retail, class A3 - A5 food and drink and class d2 assembly and leisure floor space and 675 residential units. the residential element comprising 346 no. 1 bedroom and 329 no. 2 bedroom being contained within 4 no. towers of between 15 and 23 storeys plus infilling development on top of the existing shopping centre and a stand alone tower of 15 storeys with a viewing galley on top.</p> <p>Reconfiguration of existing access and frontages onto Wellington Street and works including, alterations and improvements to the entrances to the shopping centre; provision of amenity space and landscaping; vehicle and cycle parking; refuse and recycling storage; provision of new and/or upgrading existing infrastructure; groundwork's and re-profiling of site levels; ancillary engineering and other operations and plant and machinery.</p>	<p>Deferred to a future Committee meeting to allow further discussion with the Applicant to achieve an improved view from the Mackenzie Square entrance through a reduction/redistribution of tower heights within the development.</p>

38. Planning Appeal Decisions

Resolved - That details of recent Planning Appeal decisions be noted.

39. Members Attendance Record

Resolved - That the Members Attendance Record be noted.

40. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 9th September, 2015.

Chair

(Note: The Meeting opened at 6.30pm and closed at 9.35pm)