

Planning Committee

Meeting held on Thursday, 14 July 2022 at 6.00 pm in Council Chamber, Town Hall,
Katharine Street, Croydon CR0 1NX

MINUTES

Present: Councillor Michael Neal (Chair);
Councillor Leila Ben-Hassel (Vice-Chair);
Councillors Sherwan Chowdhury, Sean Fitzsimons, Clive Fraser, Gayle
Gander, Mark Johnson Endri Llabuti, Holly Ramsey and Appu Srinivasan

Also Present: Councillors Richard Chatterjee, Simon Brew, Patsy Cummings and Ola Kolade

Apologies: Councillor Joseph Lee, Humayun Kabir, Ian Parker and Ellily Ponnuthurai

PART A

44/22 **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 16 June 2022 be signed as a correct record.

45/22 **Disclosure of Interest**

There were no disclosures of a pecuniary interest not already registered.

46/22 **Urgent Business (if any)**

There was none.

47/22 **Development presentations**

There were none.

48/22 **Planning applications for decision**

49/22 **21/06036/FUL - Land to the South of Firsby Avenue and to the East of Verdayne, Avenue, Shirley, CR0 8TL**

Erection of eight semi-detached houses, together with associated access, car parking and landscaping.

Ward: Shirley North

The officer presented details of the planning application and responded to questions for clarification.

Ms Sue Burnett spoke against the application.

Mr Matthew Arnold spoke in support of the application.

The Ward Member Councillor Richard Chatterjee addressed the committee with his view on the application.

The Committee deliberated on the application presentation heard before them having heard all the speakers who addressed the Committee, and in turn addressed their view on the matter.

The substantive motion to GRANT the application based on the officer's recommendation was proposed by Councillor Ben Hassel. This was seconded by Councillor Fraser.

The motion to grant the application was taken to a vote and carried with seven members voting in favour, no members voting against and two members abstained their vote.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to **GRANT** the application for the development at the Land to the South of Firsby Avenue and to the East of Verdayne, Avenue, Shirley, CR0 8TL.

Councillor Srinivasan arrived at 6.22pm and did not participate in the vote as he was not present at the beginning of the item.

50/22 **22/00948/FUL - 2 Highland Road, Purley, CR8 2HS**

Demolition of the existing dwelling. Erection of three storey building comprising 8 flats and provision of associated parking and landscaping works.

Ward: Purley

The officer presented details of the planning application and responded to questions for clarification.

Mr Martin Hobbs was unable to attend the meeting, a written statement was read out by an officer to the committee detailing his view on the application.

Mr Grant Freeman spoke in support of the application.

The Ward Member Councillor Ola Kolade addressed the committee with his view on the application.

The Committee deliberated on the application presentation heard before them having heard all the speakers who addressed the Committee, and in turn addressed their view on the matter.

The substantive motion to GRANT the application based on the officer's recommendation was proposed by Councillor Fitzsimons. This was seconded by Councillor Srinivasan.

The motion to grant the application was taken to a vote and fell with five Members voting in favour and five Members voting against.

The chair used his casting vote to vote against the motion to approve the application.

Councillor Gander proposed a motion to refuse the application on the basis that the scale, footprint, height, mass of the proposed development and the proximity to neighbours was out of character of the neighbourhood. This was seconded by Councillor Johnson.

The motion to refuse the application was taken to a vote and carried with five Members voting in favour and five Members voting against.

The chair used his casting vote to vote in favour of the motion to refuse the application.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to **REFUSE** the application for the development at 2 Highland Road, Purley, CR8 2HS.

The chair took a vote to defer item 6.3 to a later date, 7 members voted in favour and 2 voted against and one Member abstained their vote.

51/22 **21/01473/FUL - 220 Brighton Road, Upper Norwood, SE19 3XD**

This item was not considered.

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21/05015/FUL - 21 Downsview Road, Upper Norwood, SE19 3XD

Demolition of existing dwelling house and construction of new replacement building comprising lower ground floor, ground floor, first floor, and second floor, and comprising 9 residential flats with associated vehicle access and off-street parking, cycle storage, refuse storage, and landscaping.

Ward: Crystal Palace and Upper Norwood

The officer presented details of the planning application and responded to questions for clarification.

Mrs Caroline Fenech spoke against the application.

Mr John Przednowek spoke in support of the application.

The Ward Member Councillor Patsy Cummings addressed the committee with her view on the application.

The Committee deliberated on the application presentation heard before them having heard all the speakers who addressed the Committee, and in turn addressed their view on the matter.

The substantive motion to GRANT the application based on the officer's recommendation was proposed by Councillor Fitzsimons. This was not seconded and the motion to grant the application fell.

The motion to refuse the application was taken to a vote and carried with nine Members voting in favour and one Member voting against.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to **REFUSE** the application for the development at 21 Downsview Road, Upper Norwood, SE19 3XD.

The Chair called for a vote to extend the Planning Committee meeting past the 10pm guillotine, this was taken to a vote and carried with the majority of Members voting to extend the meeting.

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21/03333/FUL - 87-89 Foxley Lane, Purley CR8 3HP

Demolition of pair of semi-detached houses and erection of a three-storey building plus accommodation in the roof comprising 22 flats with associated car parking and landscaping.

Ward: Purley and Woodcote

The officer presented details of the planning application and responded to questions for clarification.

Mr Paul Lewis spoke in support of the application.

The Ward Member Councillor Simon Brew addressed the committee with his view on the application.

The Committee deliberated on the application presentation heard before them having heard all the speakers who addressed the Committee, and in turn addressed their view on the matter.

The substantive motion to GRANT the application based on the officer's recommendation was proposed by Councillor Fitzsimons. This was seconded by Councillor Fraser.

The motion to grant the application fell with one Member voting in favour, six Members voting against, and three Members abstained their vote.

Councillor Fraser proposed a motion for defer the application pending more information on affordable housing. This was seconded by Councillor Ben Hassel.

The motion to defer the application was taken to a vote and fell with five Members voting in favour and five Members voting against.

The chair used his casting vote to vote in against the motion to defer the application.

Councillor Gander proposed the motion to refuse the application due to the design being out of character with the immediate and neighbouring area, the height and mass of the development being overbearing and the dominance of the car parking area at the front of the development. This was seconded by Councillor Ramsey.

The motion to refuse the application was taken to a vote and carried with five Members voting in favour, three Members voting against and two Members abstaining their vote.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to **REFUSE** the application for the development at 87-89 Foxley Lane, Purley CR8 3HP.

54/22 **Items referred by Planning Sub-Committee**

There were none.

55/22 **Other planning matters**

There were none.

The meeting ended at 10.23 am

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