CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON C O U N C I L

Planning Committee

Minutes - 20 September 2022

Attendance

Councillors

Cllr Anwen Muston (Chair)

Cllr Gillian Wildman (Vice-Chair)

Cllr Lovinyer Daley

Cllr Celia Hibbert

Cllr Rashpal Kaur

Cllr Phil Page

Cllr Andrew Randle

Cllr Tersaim Singh

Cllr Wendy Thompson

Employees

Donna Cope Democratic Services Officer

Stuart Evans Solicitor

Stephen Alexander Head of Planning Tracey Homfray Planning Officer

Tim Philpot Professional Lead - Transport Strategy

Part 1 – items open to the press and public

Item No. Title

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Birch and Sweetman.

2 Declarations of interest

Councillor Thompson declared a non-pecuniary interest in respect of agenda item 6.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

Resolved:

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 July 2022 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4 Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5 **22/00155/FUL - Wednesfield Technology Primary School, Lichfield Road,** Wolverhampton, WV11 1TN

The Committee considered a report regarding 22/00155/FUL – New Primary School.

Tracey Homfray, Planning Officer, outlined the report and noted the following updates:

- A further three letters of objection had been received. Concerns were raised regarding the usage of a secondary entrance/exit onto Lichfield Road, however, this is for maintenance reasons only, and is not to be used by members of the public.
- The landscaping scheme had been updated and may negate the need for offsite planting.
- The drop off and pick up point would remain for the entirety of the school life and would remain as such unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority.
- The restricted outside play times would be controlled by a school management plan which would be submitted to the Planning Authority for consideration.

Mr Tom Hallett addressed the Committee and spoke in support to the application.

The report was debated by Committee and although the development of a new school was welcomed, concerns were raised regarding traffic congestion, road safety, and the pick up and drop off point.

Councillor Page moved the recommendations within the report.

The Planning Officer responded to comments made and stated the following:

- Any further alterations would need to be considered by the Planning Authority.
- The pick up and drop off point would be marshalled by the school and CCTV would be in place.
- The school were looking into community use of the premises, and this would be controlled by a school management plan.
- A crossing would be installed as part of the Unilateral Undertaking.
- Electric charge points would be installed.

Councillor Hibbert seconded the recommendations.

Resolved:

That planning application 22/00155/FUL be granted subject to the signing of a Unilateral Undertaking including:

- Traffic Regulation Orders
- Pedestrian crossing

Offsite planting for the loss of biodiversity on site

and any necessary conditions including:

- Unilateral Undertaking
- Removal of permitted development rights
- Materials
- Flood risk and drainage
- · Recommendations of ecology reports
- Landscaping/Fencing/Acoustic Fencing
- School Travel Plan: access, circulation, drop off and pick up, and parking to be provided prior to occupation and managed as part of the Travel Plan
- Passivhaus design
- Commercial deliveries and collections time
- External lighting
- Acoustic fencing
- Construction Method Statement
- Restricted outside play times
- · Electric charging points
- Traffic Regulation Orders
- Pedestrian crossing
- Bellmouth access
- Vehicular Circulation and drop off/pick up area to be provided and retained
- CCTV
- Protective fencing
- Cycle and motorcycle parking
- Hours of operation during construction
- Hours of deliveries and collections.

6 22/00229/FUL - 112 Wrottesley Road West, Wolverhampton, WV6 8UR

Having declared an interest, Councillor Thompson left the meeting room whilst the application was considered.

The Committee considered a report regarding 22/00229/FUL - Single storey rear, first floor side, double storey front and roof extensions.

Stephen Alexander, Head of Planning, outlined the report.

Mrs Jennifer Jones addressed the Committee and spoke in opposition to the application.

Mr Jake Sedgemore addressed the Committee and spoke in support to the application.

The report was debated by Committee, and concerns were raised regarding the proposed extensions and the negative impact they could have on neighbouring properties.

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The Head of Planning responded to questions asked and explained that the proposals were acceptable.

Councillor Page moved that the application be deferred to allow further evaluation of the proposals and a submission of revised plans.

Councillor Hibbert seconded the motion.

The Head of Planning and Tim Philpot, Professional Lead for Transport Strategy, responded to the proposed motion and explained that the proposed plans were acceptable.

The proposed motion was debated.

Resolved:

That planning application 22/00229/FUL be deferred to allow further appraisal regarding the following concerns:

- The size of the front porch extension and the impact it could have on the street scene and available parking.
- The two-storey side extension and the impact it could have on space between buildings and character of the street scene.
- The size of the rear extension in respect of the impact it could have on the character of the area and outlook from the neighbours' windows.
- The closeness of the single-story extension to the boundary of the site.