MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE OF KETTERING TOWN COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, BOWLING GREEN ROAD, KETTERING AT 7PM ON WEDNESDAY 3rd AUGUST 2022

Councillors Present: Cllr Martyn York (Deputy Chair) (In the Chair)

Cllrs Alexander Evelyn, Emily Fedorowycz, Anup Pandey,

James Towns, and Keli Watts

Officers Present: Martin Hammond, Town Clerk

No members of the public or press present

Item Number	Description			
PC22/019	Apologies			
	Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Clark Mitchell and Craig Skinner			
PC22/020	Declarations of Interest			
	Cllr Watts declared a personal, non pecuniary interest in items 0303 and 0454 below			
PC22/021	Minutes			
	The minutes of the meeting held on 6 th July 2022 were approved and signed by the chair as a correct record			
PC22/022	Public Session			
	None			
PC22/023	Record of Planning Decisions by NNC July to September 2022			
	This report was noted.			
PC22/024	Notification of appeals			
	NK/2021/0261 25 Montagu Street, Kettering Full Planning Permission: Conversion of club into 15 no. apartments			
	NK/2022/0172 2 Langley Way, Kettering Full Planning Permission: Subdivision of bungalow to create 2 no. dwellings			
	Members noted both appeals and determined there was no further submisisons that they needed to make.			

PC22/025

Re-notifications and re-submissions

NK/2022/0445 Lake Avenue (land off), Kettering
Determination - telecommunications: 15m phase 8 monopole,
C/W wraparound cabinet, 3 no. additional equipment cabinets
and associated works

It was agreed that the Council's comments made about the earlier application remained valid; althought the new mast site had been moved off the pathway, it was still likely to be too prominent in the landcape and too close to some houses; it could be moved to the eastern end of the box marked on figure 4 of the site specific supplementary statement – statement P.

NK/2022/0333 Stanier Retail Park (land at), Stanier Close, Northfield Avenue, Kettering Full Planning Permission: Erection of a drive through cafe/restaurant with car parking, landscaping, external seating and associated works

The Committee remained concerned about the ability of this site to accommodate the proposed development. Whilst the parking had been amended to include electric vehicle charging points, this had had an adverse effect on the disabled parking provision. The proposed traffic flows on site did not appear to be workable and there was no safe pedestrian route from the car park to the café building or the outside seating area.

Overall car parking, if it is to accommodate staff and customers, appeared inadequate, there is insufficient cycle parking and, more critically, there would be too much pressure put on the junction with Northfield Avenue by the extra traffic generated by the development. The Town Council feels that much more work is required to make the application acceptable in terms of traffic, vehicle and pedestrian movements and overall parking provision.

PC22/026

Listed Building applications

NK/2022/0414 Kettering Library, Sheep Street, Kettering Application for Listed Building Consent: Removal of glazed doors to be replaced with plasterboard wall and doors. Removal of partition wall.

Application supported.

PC22/027

New planning Applications

NK/2022/0303 Kettering Sea Cadet Unit, London Road Kettering Single storey rear extension

This application was supported, with the following additional comments:-

- It was not clear how the development could utilise sustainable drainage solutions within it – the comments on drainage was unclear.
- There is no sustainable design statement
- More effort should be expended to ensure bio-diversity net gain on the site; for example a seeded, green roof would be appropriate.

NK/2022/0425 3 London Road, Kettering Full Planning Permission: Three storey rear extension, rear extension to floors one and two, conversion of two storey detached garage and ground floor to create 4 no. one bedroom and 2 no. two bedroom apartments

Objection.

- This application was unclear it that it appears that 7 apartments are being created rather than the five described.
- Insufficient on site parking with no possibility of on road parking near this busy junction.
- No electric vehicle charging points
- No renewal energy statement
- No planting details or clarity about bio-diversity enahncement
- Concern that units are too small
- Access to waste bins difficult

NK/2022/0426 4 Pinewood Close (land adj.), Kettering Full Planning Permission: 1 no. bungalow.

The Council's comments are

- No electric vehicle charging points
- No sustainable drainage statement
- No cycle storage described
- The application requires the submisison of a sustainable design and energy statement and does not describe low carbon energy methos (eg heat pumps or solar panesl) which might impact on the overall appearance of the development.

- Whilst the plans show a great dela of planting it is not clear what is to be retained nd therefore what the biodiversity net gain for the site is.

NK/2022/0450 137 Wellington Street, Kettering Full Planning Permission: Change of use of outbuilding to 2 no. flats.

Objection. Whilst this application is an improvement in design and layout over the previous one for this site, the Council is still concerned about the loss of a family sized home, and the impact of the proposal on parking in the area. The proposal still feels like an overdevelopment of the site. There needs to be a parking beat survey which should be completed and produce a satisfactory result before determination.

NK/2022/0454 175 Beatrice Road (land adj), Kettering Full Planning Permission: 5 no. one bedroom apartments.

The application is supported, and the sustainable design features within it applauded, but there are the following additional comments:-

- Clarification about the combined heat and power unit, as not requiring gas, as it potentially will
- Mitigation for noise generated by the combined heat and power system needs to be described
- There is a bathroom window into the plant room is this a mistake?
- Fire and Rescue comments are required about means of escape and emergency vehicle access to the site.

Meeting closed at 7.57 pm

Signed	•••••	 	
Date			