

**BRAUNSTONE TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF PLANS & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**THURSDAY 15TH OCTOBER 2015**

**PRESENT:** Councillor Gary Sanders (Chair), Councillor Bill Wright (Vice-Chair), Councillor Sharon Betts (Town Mayor, Ex-Officio) and Councillors Roger Berrington, Berneta Layne, Stuart Maxwell and Robert Waterton and Mr John Dodd (Ex-Officio).

**Officers in attendance:** Darren Tilley, Executive Officer & Town Clerk.

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

**50. Apologies**

No apologies for absence were received.

**51. Disclosures of Interest**

There were no disclosures of any Disclosable Pecuniary or Non-Pecuniary Interests by Members.

**52. Public Participation**

In accordance with Standing Order 3.6, members of the public may attend the meeting for the purpose of making representations, giving evidence or answer questions in respect of any item of business included on the agenda.

There were no members of the public present.

**53. Minutes of the Meeting held 24th September 2015**

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th September 2015 were circulated (item 4 on the agenda).

The Executive Officer & Town Clerk advised the Committee that there was a typing error on a response to the planning application 15/1078 – 64 Amy Street. The response refers to 5.5 metres when it should read 1.8 metres (as set out in the application description).

**RESOLVED** that, subject to minute 47, resolution 5 – 64 Amy Street: the response being amended to read 1.8 metres (page 5866); the Minutes of the meeting held on 24th September 2015 be approved and signed by the Chairperson as a correct record.

**54. Planning Applications dealt with under Delegated Authority**

The Committee noted that there had been no planning applications taken under Delegated Authority.

**55. Planning Applications**

The Committee received details of planning applications to be considered by Blaby District Council (item 6 on the agenda)

**RESOLVED** that the following responses be forwarded to Blaby District Council:

- 1. Application No:** 15/1115/HH  
**Description:** Two storey side and rear and single storey front and rear extensions.  
**Location:** 84 Lubbethorpe Road Braunstone Town Leicestershire LE3 2XE  
**Response:** *Braunstone Town Council objects to the application on the grounds of overbearing effect.*  
**Reason:** *The size of the extensions were large and would have an overbearing effect which would be detrimental to the amenity enjoyed by neighbouring properties.*
- 2. Application No:** 15/1074/VAR  
**Description:** Variation of condition 6 of 89/1259/1/PX to accommodate retention of two ancillary storage containers.  
**Location:** 64 Amy Street Braunstone Town Leicestershire LE3 2FB  
**Response:** *Braunstone Town Council objects to the application since the original condition 6 should be retained.*  
**Reason:** *The conditions of the original planning permission protect against commercial development of the site and change of use would be out of keeping with a residential area.*

**56. Additional Planning Applications**

The Committee received details of planning applications received since the publication of the agenda (item 7 on the agenda)

**RESOLVED** that the following responses be forwarded to Blaby District Council:

- 1. Application No:** 15/1199/HH  
**Description:** Single storey side extension  
**Location:** 76 Narborough Road South Braunstone Town Leicestershire LE3 2FP

**Response:** *Braunstone Town Council wishes to make the following comments:*

- i. In accordance with Local Plan Policy T7 on-site parking facilities should continue to be provided: dwellings with more than 4 bedrooms – 3 spaces, 3 or less bedrooms – 2 spaces.*
- ii. The dwelling, including its extension, should only be used for residential purposes.*

**Reason:**

- i. While the extension was ground floor only, it was not possible to ascertain from the plans whether existing on-site parking was located in the area of the proposed extension.*
- ii. To prevent the office from being utilised for running a business or other commercial operation.*

**2. Application No:** 15/1215/HH  
**Description:** Single storey side extension  
**Location:** 175 Kingsway Braunstone Town Leicestershire  
LE3 2PN

**Response:** *Braunstone Town Council wishes to make the following comments:*

- i. In accordance with Local Plan Policy T7 on-site parking facilities should continue to be provided: dwellings with more than 4 bedrooms – 3 spaces, 3 or less bedrooms – 2 spaces.*
- ii. The occupiers of neighbouring properties should be fully consulted in connection with the proposals.*

**Reasons:**

- i. The extension involved the conversion of an existing Garage, there was no information in the plans about the number of bedrooms at the property, therefore it was possible to ascertain whether the two spaces indicated on the plans would be in accordance with Local Plan Policy T7.*
- ii. The extension was immediately adjacent to 173 Kingsway.*

**3. Application No:** 15/1051/HH  
**Description:** The following amendments have been made to this application:  
1 Dimensions of first floor reduced overall  
**Location:** 130 Narborough Road South Braunstone Town  
Leicestershire LE3 2FQ

**Response:** *Braunstone Town Council wishes to make the following comments:*

- i. In accordance with Local Plan Policy T7 replacement on-site parking facilities should be provided: dwellings with more than 4 bedrooms – 3 spaces, 3 or less*

*bedrooms – 2 spaces.*

- ii. The upstairs side window in the extension should be obscured glass and the occupiers of neighbouring properties should be fully consulted in connection with the proposals.*

**Reasons:**

- i. The proposals provided for 4 upstairs rooms, the plans provide no indication of the number of parking spaces.*
- ii. It was possible that neighbouring properties would be overlooked, which would be detrimental to the amenity enjoyed by these properties on the grounds of privacy.*

**57. Planning Decisions**

The Committee received and noted planning decisions made By Blaby District Council (item 8 on the agenda)

**RESOLVED** that the decisions be noted.

*Reason for Decision*

*To keep a watching brief on the decisions and to review the impact of Town Council comments upon the decision making process.*

**58. Termination of the Meeting**

The meeting closed at 8.20pm.

**NOTE:**

CRIME & DISORDER ACT 1998 (SECTION 17) – The Council has an obligation to consider Crime & Disorder implications of all its activities and to do all that it can to prevent Crime and Disorder in its area.  
EQUALITIES ACT 2010

Braunstone Town Council has a duty in carrying out its functions to have due regard to:-

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation;
- advance equality of opportunity between different groups; and;
- foster good relations between different groups

To ensure that no person receives less favourable treatment on the basis of race, disability, sex, gender re-assignment, sexual orientation, age, religion or belief, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy or maternity.

These issues were considered in connection with each of the above decisions. Unless otherwise stated under each item of this report, there were no implications.

SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_

DATED \_\_\_\_\_