

#### **DRAFT Minutes Planning Committee**

**Date** 19/03/2024 **Time** 19:30 - 21:30

**Location** The Radlett Centre, 1 Aldenham Avenue, Radlett WD7 8HL

Meeting Room 2

**Chair** Cllr S Khawaja

Attendees Cllrs E Samuelson, C Woolf, S Ali, S Benjamin & G Taylor

(Co-Opted Member)

**Officer** S Heighton – (Admin – OS)

There were also 8 members of public present

#### 1 Apologies for absence

Minutes:

All members were present.

#### 2 Declarations of interest on any item on the Agenda

# 2.a Disclosable pecuniary interests they or their spouse/partner have in any matter which is to be considered at this meeting

Minutes:

None.

### 2.b Members must also declare any other pecuniary or nonpecuniary interests they have in any matter to be considered at this meeting

Minutes:

Committee Members declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item, 5.h, 24/0262/HSE, 20 Cobden Hill, as the property backs on to Cobden Hill Dell, which is owned by APC.

## To confirm the Minutes and appendices of the meeting held on Monday 4th March 2024

Minutes:

The minutes of the meeting were confirmed and signed by Cllr S Khawaja as a true record of that meeting.

# To adjourn the meeting for members of the public to address the Committee (if any) in accordance with Standing Order 1 d

Minutes:

Cllr S Khawaja suspended standing orders so that members of the public could address the Committee. One member raised concerns about agenda item 5.g, 24/0268/HSE, 8 The Crosspath, Radlett, two members raised concerns about agenda item 5.e, 24/0265/HSE, 89 Gills Hill Lane, Radlett, two members raised concerns about agenda item 5.i, 18 Craigweil Avenue, Radlett and three members spoke regarding agenda item 5.c, 24/0266/HSE, 21 Folly Close. Members of the Committee asked questions for clarification before the members of the public were thanked for their attendance and standing orders were then resumed. It was then decided that agenda item 5.c, would be considered first, then 5.e, then 5.g and finally 5.i.

#### **5** Planning Applications

### 5.a 24/0239/HSE - 16 Cragg Avenue, Radlett - Proposal: Part two-part single-storey front and side extension, single-storey rear extension and alterations to fenestration

Minutes:

Object --

The proposal is too close to the boundary at 700mm at ground level, which contravenes the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan, Design Code E - Spacing between building and boundary (setin).

5.b 24/0241/HSE - 36 Shenley Hill, Radlett - Proposal: Instillation of 2x air source heat pumps and 4x air-conditioning units. (Retrospective application).

Minutes:

No Objection - pending approval from the Environmental Officer.

5.c 24/0266/HSE - 21 Folly Close, Radlett – Proposal: Twostorey side extension following demolition of garage

Minutes:

Object --

- a) This application is contrary to the 2m rule at 1st floor level.
- b) The proposal does not comply with SADM30 Design Guide E, in terms of scale, mass and bulk and is considered an

- overdevelopment of the site.
- c) There are insufficient parking standards, as there needs to be 4 parking spaces for a 5 bedroom house.
- d) This would cause a sufficient loss of garden frontage, which would be contrary to the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan Design Code D Front Gardens. The surroundings should be respected.
- e) This is also contrary to the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan Objective 3 to keep and support the development of smaller homes.
- f) The development would be too close to the boundary with the neighbours at No 22 and would therefore breach the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan - Design Code E - Spacing between building and boundary (set-in).
- 5.d 24/0248/FUL 2 The Green, Letchmore Heath, Watford Proposal: Change of Use of Residential Dwelling to Monks Accommodation (Retrospective application)

Minutes:

No Objection

5.e 24/0265/HSE - 89 Gills Hill Lane, Radlett - Proposal:
Part-single part two-storey front, side and rear
extensions with integrated garage following removal of
side extension, construction of outbuilding to rear
garden and conversion of loft to habitable space
including rear dormer and front roof light. (Part
retrospective)

Minutes:

Object -- The previous application was objected to and APC's comments still stand.

- a) The appearance of the property would be out of keeping with the street scene and would appear unbalanced.
- b) There are insufficient car parking spaces for the number of bedrooms.
- c) The 45° site lines are not clarified in the drawings and the 45° line is breached at the front of the property.
- 5.f 23/1340/HSE 8 Shenley Hill, Radlett Proposal:
  Construction of a part single, part two-storey rear
  extension, first floor side extension, single-storey side
  infill extension and alterations to fenestration.
  Conversion of loft to habitable space with associated
  roof alterations to include a rear dormer windows and

insertion of roof lights to both side elevations. Front landscaping works to include installation of iron handrail with raised entrance area and associated steps and additional planting. (Amended Plans received 29/02/2024)

Minutes:

Object – APC's comments still stand from the previous plans:

- a) This application does not comply with SADM30 Design Guide E, in terms of scale, mass and bulk which contributes to an overbearing development of the site.
- b) The ground floor extension breaches the 45° line.
- c) The first-floor extension breaches the 2m boundary rule, being 1.1m and 0.76m at the rear of the extension.
- d) The crown roof will be visible from the street and will appear to be bulky and overbearing, which is contrary to Design Guide D.
- e) Design Guide EKP 1 and EKP 5 are also breached from the large crown roof as it is out of keeping with the street scene.
- 5.g 24/0268/HSE 8 The Crosspath, Radlett Proposal:
  Part single-, part two-storey front, side and rear
  extensions; conversion of loft to habitable space with
  roof alterations to include insertion of rear dormer;
  alterations to fenestration

Minutes:

Object --

- a) The proposal does not comply with SADM30 Design Guide E, in terms of scale, mass and bulk and is considered an overdevelopment of the site. This would also breach the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan Design Code A Plot Coverage.
- b) The proposal is too close to the boundary at both the ground floor which is 50cm and 1st floor at 70cm. This would be contrary to the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan Design Code E Spacing between building and boundary (set-in).
- c) The development would be out of keeping with the street scene, as the ridge height would be dominant and contravene the Radlett Neighbourhood plan Design Code B Ridge Height.
- d) The gable window in the roof would give rise to overlooking the neighbour's rear gardens.
- e) Members also note that from Google Street View photos, the property had 3 trees in the front gardens. As this is in a Conservation Area, concerns are raised as to whether

permission was granted to remove and create a hard-standing surface, which would also breach Design Code D of the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan - Front Gardens.

5.h 24/0262/HSE - 20 Cobden Hill, Radlett - Proposal: Construction of pedestrian access and vehicular access gates with alterations to hard and soft landscaping

Minutes:

Object --

- a) The pillars are too high at 2.7m and the gates are too high at 2.2m.
- b) This proposal is contrary to the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan Design Code C Gates.
- 5.i 24/0306/HSE 18 Craigweil Avenue, Radlett Proposal: Extension to existing patio and construction of outdoor kitchen/bbq area to rear

Minutes:

Object --

Due to the nature of the proposed kitchen BBQ, and it has not been proposed whether it is coal or gas, it may raise concerns with fire safety regulations.

5.j 24/0310/HSE - 16 Links Drive, Radlett - Proposal: Construction of a single-storey rear conservatory extension

Minutes:

No Objection

5.k 24/0311/HSE - Chideock, Brook Drive, Radlett –
Proposal: Removal of existing gate and fences,
installation of 1.5m high replacement gates to the front
boundary and installation of 1.8m high side perimeter
fencing with associated concrete posts. (Revised
application from 23/0853/HSE)

Minutes:

No Objection - as long as relevant covenants have been complied with fencing and the vegetation around the boundary edging is in keeping with the Radlett Neighbourhood Plan - Design Code D - Front Gardens

For information: Planning Applications of the following type: - Certificate of Lawful Development (Existing) CLE, Certificate of Lawful Development (Proposed) CLP and Listed Building Consent LBC.

Minutes:

These were noted.

- 6.a 24/0259/CLE 36 Willow Way, Radlett Proposal:
  Conversion of loft to habitable space to include rear
  dormer and 3x rooflight to front. Construction of singlestorey outbuilding Certificate of Lawful Development
  (Existing)
- 7 Planning decisions by Hertsmere Borough Council

  Minutes:

These were noted.

- 7.a 23/1718/FUL 11A Beaumont Gate, Radlett HBC decision was Grant Permission APC comment was Object
- 7.b 23/1719/FUL 11A Beaumont Gate, Radlett HBC decision was Refuse Permission APC comment was Object
- 7.c 24/0008/HSE 3 Summerhouse Lane, Aldenham, Watford - HBC decision was Grant Permission - APC comment was No Objection
- 7.d 23/0995/HSE 66 Shenley Hill, Radlett HBC decision was Grant Permission APC comment was No Objection
- 7.e 24/0038/FUL Elangeni, Loom Lane, Radlett HBC decision was Grant Permission APC comment was Grant Permission APC comment was Object
- 7.f 24/0058/HSE Tullamoor, Pegmire Lane, Aldenham, Watford HBC decision was Grant Permission APC comment was No Objection
- 7.g 22/2099/FUL 103 Gills Hill Lane, Radlett HBC decision was Refuse Permission APC comment was Object

