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Minutes of a Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 16 April 2008 at St Vincent's Close Community Centre at 7pm

Present: M Taylor (Chair) D de Lacey, R Gordon, M Wilson.
4 members of the public were present for item 08/25.1.

08/19 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bullman, Ford-Smith and Martin.

08/20 Members' declarations of interest for items on the agenda

Cllr de Lacey expressed a personal interest for item 08/25.2 and Cllr Taylor expressed a personal interest for item 08/25.1.

08/21 That Standing Orders be suspended for an Open Session for the Public

Cllr Taylor prop to suspend SO, sec Cllr Gordon. No members of the public wished to speak.

08/22 That Standing Orders be reinstated and the Council meeting resumed

Cllr Taylor prop to reinstate SO, sec Cllr Gordon.

08/23 That the Minutes of the meeting on 10 March 2008 be received

The minutes were received and signed.

08/24 Matters arising from the minutes

None.

08/25 Planning Applications

1. S/0468/08/F Erection of one house subdivided to provide 5 apartments following demolition of existing dwellings at 11 Mayfield Road for Mr J Keen. Cllr Taylor prop accepting Cllr de Lacey's proposed response, sec Cllr Gordon, voted 3 in favour, 1 abstention.
Refused on the following grounds:
 2. Financial viability. As well as the need for social housing in a development of this size, this development would require substantial S106 monies to improve the road surface and drainage of Mayfield Road. Even given an improvement the Council believes that Mayfield Road is too narrow to sustain the increased traffic the development would generate.
 3. The application documents contain misleading information (eg the nature of the community, the implied use of the property of No 12 and of 101 Cambridge Road.). The 'improvement for all' slogan is clearly not agreed by neighbours.
 4. The sustainability of the development appears inadequate: the Design and Access Report suggests that even the inadequate solar cells illustrated are only a pious hope for the future (4.9.5).
 5. The car parking allowance on the property is inadequate.
 6. The Council endorses the comments of Mr & Mrs Thomas on the failure of the plans to conform to LDF policies.
2. S/0481/08/F Extension at 47 Thornton Road for Mr & Mrs K Mansley. Approved 3 in favour, 1 abstention.
3. S/0578/08/F Extension at 70 High Street for Mr R Carter, Approved, unanimous.

Cllr Taylor noted that he had looked through some additional information received at the office for planning application S/0297/08/F for the Hotel Felix. Cllr Taylor said that most of the information related to internal alterations to improve disabled access and noise reduction. He said he was happy that Officers at SCDC could deal with it.

Meeting closed at 1910.