

Girton Parish Council

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Minutes of the meeting of Girton Parish Council Planning Committee held on Thursday 11th September, 2014 at 7.30 p.m. at St Vincent's Close Community Centre, Girton.

Members of the public were invited to attend and to speak at Item 14/159

Present: Cllrs: M Taylor (Chairman), Cockley, de Lacey, Williams

In attendance: S Cumming (Clerk)

14/156 Welcome from the Committee Chairman. The Committee Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

14/157 Apologies and Reasons for Absence. Apologies had been received from Cllrs Gordon and Whittle and the Committee Chairman accepted their reasons for absence.

14/158 Members' declarations of interest for items on the agenda. Cllr M Taylor declared an interest in items 14/163.2 and 14/163.3 as an employee of Cambridge City Council.

14/159 Open session for members of the public. There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

14/160 That the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 20th August, 2014 be approved (previously circulated). The Minutes were approved as an accurate record of the meeting by Cllr de Lacey, seconded by Cllr Williams, and approved with one abstention.

14/161 Matters arising from Minutes (for information only).

1. Item 14/148.1 The application has been withdrawn (please see Item 14/165.1).
2. Item 14/148.2. An extension to the time allowed for the Parish Council to submit comments has been requested and granted, due to insufficient provision of information. This application will now be considered at the current meeting (please see Item 14/162.1)

14/162 Planning Applications (for recommendation).

1. S/1677/14/FL Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension at 26 Thornton Close, Girton. Applicant: Mr J McGibbon.

The Committee expressed concern at the lack of scrutiny from the planning officer. No hard copy plans were received and the existing plan was wrongly labelled. There was no referenced car parking in the Design and Access Statement and plans and the Committee was concerned at the inadequacy of parking provision for a 5-bedroom dwelling. The Council has received an objection from neighbours regarding loss of light, and would recommend a light survey. The Council also expressed concern that the application could set a precedent for 5-bedroom houses which could open up the possibility of multiple occupancy in this type of house. The Committee rejected the application for the reasons outlined.

2. S/2015/14/FL Two storey side extension, single storey rear extension, single storey front porch extension at 17 Thornton Close, Girton. Applicants: Mr & Mrs J Abreu
Approved unanimously.

3. S/1993/14/FL Refurbishment and replacement of redundant buildings at Field Station, Huntingdon Road, Cambridge. Applicants: Chancellor, Masters and Scholars, University of Cambridge
The application is to replace redundant buildings with teaching and research buildings. Unanimously approved.

4. C/11/17/033 (TPO 24/03/SC, 44/14/SC, 30/03/SC) Application to carry out tree works subject to a tree preservation order or situated within a conservation area, at Girton College, Girton. Applicant: Mr R Bramley, Girton College.
Unanimously approved.

14/163 Notification of Approved Planning Applications – Subject to conditions.

1. S/1505/14/FL Erection of a temporary portacabin for use as farm office. Temporary planning permission required for three years On NIAB Botany site, Whitehouse Lane, Girton. Applicant: National Institute of Agriculture.
2. S/1187/14/RM Reserved Matters Application (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to S/2036/13/VC for the freestanding utility structures associated with Phase 1 of the North West Cambridge site including three electricity sub-stations, foul water pumping station, a gas pressure reducing station, the portable water booster station and the Granta switch along with groundworks and sub-surface works for the utility buildings and associated access and landscaping, for utility buildings in Phase 1 of the North West Cambridge Scheme. Applicant: University of Cambridge
3. S/0977/14/RM Reserved Matters Application (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) pursuant to S/2036/13/VC and 13/1402/S73 for the Secondary Street, and the Neighbourhood Park (including play facilities), hard and soft landscaping, car and cycle parking, a bring suite, utilities and associated ancilliary structures at Phase 1 of the North West Cambridge Scheme. Applicant: University of Cambridge.
4. S/1386/14/FL Erection of a foul pumping station, dual intake substation and gas governor as well as means of enclosure, landscaping and access on land to the west of Cambridge Road, immediately north of Darwin Green One Primary Route North. Applicant: Barratt Eastern Counties and the North West Cambridge Consortium.

14/164 Notification of Refused Planning Applications. None.

14/165 Notification of Withdrawn Planning Applications.

1. S/1466/14/FL Multi-use games area with fencing and floodlights at Gretton School, Manor Farm Road, Girton. Applicant: Cavendish Education
Noted by the Committee.

14/166 Notification of Non-Material Amendments to Planning Applications. None.

14/167 Certificates of Lawful Proposed Use or Development.

1. S/1901/14/LD (for information only) Application for Lawful Development Certificate for proposed development consisting of loft conversion with box dormer to rear elevation, ground floor extension of 3m to rear elevation and additional window to side elevation at ground floor level, at 21 Weavers Field, Girton. Applicant: Mr J Peck
Noted by the Committee.

14/168 Enforcement cases since last Planning Committee Meeting

Tabled by the Clerk.

14/169 To give initial consideration to any planning applications received before 9th September, 2014. None.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm