



BLACKWATER AND HAWLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning & Payments Committee Meeting Monday 20th May 2024 Immediately following the Council Meeting Hawley Memorial Hall, Hawley Green GU17 9BW

Present – Councillors:

Terry Hunt (Chair)
Daisy Khepar
Trish Monks
Sara Usher
Alex Worrall

In attendance:

Jo Shaw, Town Clerk

P&P5786 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Dave Lister.

P&P5787 Declarations of Councillor Interests

Cllr Terry Hunt declared an interest in application 22/02874.
Cllr Sara Usher declared an interest in application 24/00656/PREAPP.

P&P5788 Democratic Fifteen Minutes

There were no members of the public in attendance.

P&P5789 Minutes

Councillors approved the minutes of the Planning and Payments Committee meeting held on 29th April 2024.

P&P5790 Matters Arising

P&P5785 Blackwater Centre, London Road – Councillors noted that party wall notices had been served on the Council.

P&P5791 Planning Matters

a) Planning Applications received from Hart District Council since the last meeting for comment.

22/02874/FUL	Car Park Adj Meadows Business Park Station Approach Blackwater Camberley	Construction of two storey building comprising 8 residential units (4 x one bed, 4 x two bed) with associated car and cycle parking, refuse/recycling storage, (following demolition of 32 garages). - Revised description	OBJECTION Appendix 1
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b) TPO/Other Applications – Councillors noted and commented on the following application:

24/00656/PREAPP	22 Green Lane Blackwater Camberley GU17 9DH	Two storey side extension and single storey rear extension. Opinion issued 3rd April 2024	BHTC would have no objection based on the current details provided subject to clear and appropriate parking arrangements.
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P&P5792 Accounts for Payment

Councillors noted and approved the following payments made since the last meeting of the Town Council

- a) BACS Analysis report compiled 30th April 2024 in the amount of £1,965.73 (net) no's 24/102 to 24/109.
- b) BACS Analysis report compiled 10th May 2024 in the amount of £3,078.28 (net) no's 24/110 to 24/115
- c) BACS Analysis report compiled 11th May 2024 in the amount of £4,965.24 (net) no's 24/116 to 24/125
- d) BACS Analysis report compiled 17th May 2024 in the amount of £2,328.73 (net) no's 24/126 to 24/134
- e) Direct Debit Analysis April 2024 in the amount of £37,518.98 (gross)
- f) Petty Cash Analysis April 2024 in the amount of £55.00 (net)

P&P5793 Other Business – not for decision

24/00075/106DIS – Hawley Park Farm

Crest Nicholson's response to discharge Clause 17.2 of the Section 106 Agreement for the Formal Open Space at Hawley Park Farm. Councillors noted this application and the comments made at the Full Council meeting prior to this Planning & Payments meeting, and also noted that Hart DC had not make this available to the Council.

Villages Oppose Warehouses (VOW) – Councillors noted the updated information previously circulated.

The meeting ended at 10.05 pm

Chair _____



APPENDIX 1

22/02874/FUL - Car Park Adj Meadows Business Park Station Approach Blackwater Camberley

Construction of two storey building comprising 8 residential units (4 x one bed, 4 x two bed) with associated car and cycle parking, refuse/recycling storage, (following demolition of 32 garages). - Revised description

Blackwater and Hawley Town Council strongly object to this proposed development.

While the Council remain keen to see appropriate improvements made to the area, at this stage our priorities are to ensure that the end result will have NO detrimental effect on the residents of Ryecroft Gardens and Kingsway, in terms of access to appropriate parking, with safe and appropriate access to the garage site during any construction period.

The latest proposal would exacerbate the parking problems currently experienced by the residents of Ryecroft Gardens and Kingsway, and in no way, can the route through a densely populated cul de sac, be considered safe for frequent use by large construction vehicles.

The grasscrete area of parking along the access road to the proposed development (between maisonettes 11/12 and 13/14) site was installed approximately 13 years ago to help alleviate some of the parking issues in Ryecroft Gardens and Kingsway. In no way can it be considered appropriate to impose any parking restriction in this area for the purposes of creating access to the proposed development, without making suitable and acceptable provisions for the displaced parking spaces.

The garage area in the proposal was provided as an amenity for the residents of Ryecroft Gardens and while this is still the case in principle, the garages are no longer fit for purpose. The area is poorly lit, subjected to anti-social behaviour and generally in a bad state of repair with garages too small for use by many modern-day cars. As a result, there is little or no benefit to the local residents who may otherwise be willing to pay the fees asked for access to acceptable parking facilities.

The plans proposed offer one way vehicle access via a sharp, blind, bend. This would undoubtedly create dangerous situations with two vehicles, travelling in opposite directions to/from the site, necessitating one vehicle having to reverse while negotiating the densely populated residential area, next to a small greenspace frequently used by children to play.

It is felt by the Council that it would be irresponsible, at best, to accept this as suitable vehicle access. This would be an even bigger concern during construction.

Blackwater & Hawley Town Council cannot support any proposal for new dwellings on the site while parking conditions in Ryecroft Gardens and access to the garage site, are not fully addressed before any permission is granted. B&HTC recommends a site visit by the Planning Committee.