

**DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD AT THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES ON WEDNESDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2017**

PRESENT:

Cllrs Adam Lowe (Chair), Mrs Anne Skipworth, Mrs Joyce Lucas BEM, Paul Buxton, Martin Brookes

1 member of the public was also present

It was noted that Cllr Brookes was in breach of the rules by not complying with the Council's protocol on the use of recording equipment. He refused the Chairman's instruction to place his recording equipment on the designated table

The Chairman also advised Cllr Brookes if there was any disruption in the chamber which resulted in the dog being present (who accompanied Cllr Brookes) that he and the dog will be asked to leave the meeting immediately

43/17 APOLOGIES – Standing Order 1(u)

- (i) Apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Woodley
- (ii) It was proposed by Cllr Brookes seconded by Cllr Lowe and unanimously resolved to approve the absence of Cllr Woodley due to a prior commitment

44/17 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- (i) None declared
- (ii) No other interests were declared

45/17 MINUTES – (Appendix A)

It was proposed by Cllr Skipworth, seconded by Cllr Brookes and resolved with 4 votes for and 1 abstention to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on Wednesday 8th November 2017

At 6.04 pm it was noted that Cllr Brookes did not comply with Standing Orders (11 a,b) in that he refused to follow the Chairman's instructions to stop from interrupting on 2 occasions. The Chairman gave Cllr Brookes a warning that he would invoke Standing Orders in view of his disruption caused by over speaking and interrupting other members

46/17 DEPUTATIONS BY THE PUBLIC

None

47/17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members considered the following applications received to date:

- (i) 2017/0726/FUL Mrs Smith
Extension to the main hospital building and alterations to the 2nd stable block by converting an area of it into student accommodation
Oakham Veterinary Hospital, Ashwell Road
Recommend approval
Proposed by Cllr Skipworth, seconded by Cllr Buxton and unanimously resolved

- (ii) 2017/0816/LBA Mr Walden
To re-instate and make good existing doorway at the back of no.20 & 20A Melton Road, Oakham to form a fire escape
PDQ, 20 Melton Road
This was a retrospective application however members have reservations that the upper timber lintel should be steel and to accommodate the required 6" span on each side of the opening. A fire door should not be opening inwards and due to the poor standard of work and pointing would question the integrity of the wall

- (iii) 2017/0990/FUL Mr Needham
Single storey rear extension
9 John Clare Close
Recommend approval on the proviso that the neighbours' concerns are considered
Proposed by Cllr Lucas, seconded by Cllr Skipworth and unanimously resolved

- (iv) 2017/1010/FUL Mr & Mrs Bryant
Rear extension for utility room & WC
3 Glen Drive
Recommend approval on the proviso that the neighbours' are kept informed
Proposed by Cllr Lucas, seconded by Cllr Skipworth and unanimously resolved

- (v) 2017/1014/FUL Mrs Roberts
Change of use from Wine Bar (Class A4) to Retail (Class A1)
Unit 2, Bakers Yard, Church Street
Recommend approval
Proposed by Cllr Lucas, seconded by Cllr Buxton and resolved with 3 votes for, 1 against and 1 abstention

- (vi) 2017/1025/FUL Mr Bryant
Single-storey rear extension
22 West Road
Recommend approval
Proposed by Cllr Skipworth, seconded by Cllr Lowe and unanimously resolved

- (vii) 2017/1026/FUL Mr Richard
Replace part slabbed drive with concrete driveway with sustainable drainage to existing storm system
16 Digby Drive
Recommend approval but members would like a reassurance that the drains can accommodate the extra storm water that would be generated
Proposed by Cllr Lucas, seconded by Cllr Skipworth and unanimously resolved

- (viii) 2017/1031/CAT Mrs Angrave
1 no. Robinia Tree – Fell to ground level
17 Dean's Street
Recommend approval as per the application
Proposed by Cllr Lucas, seconded by Cllr Buxton and resolved with 3 votes for and 2 against

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 6.35pm

Signed: _____
Chairman