

# MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE

12 March 2025

**PRESENT:** Councillor Gillias (Chairman), Edwards, Harrington, Karadiar, Lawrence, Livesey (substituting for Councillor Freeman), Maoudis, Russell, Sandison, Srivastava and Thomas.

## 58. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 February 2025 were signed and approved by the Chairman.

## 59. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Freeman and Howling.

## 60. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Item 4 of Part 1 – Land North of Projects Drive, Rugby (R24/0103) – Councillor Srivastava (non-pecuniary interest as defined by the Council's Code of Conduct for Councillors by virtue of being a ward councillor)

## 61. APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment (Part 1 – Agenda Item 4) together with two addendums which had been circulated to all members of the Committee and published on the Council's website.

All the representations received prior to the preparation of the agenda and considered by the Committee were referred to in the individual report and subsequent addendum.

Subsequent representations also considered by the Committee related to the following applications:

### (i) Parish Councils

None

### (ii) Third Parties

None

At the meeting, the following representatives attended under the Council's public speaking procedure in respect of the following applications:

### R24/0111 Land North of Rounds Gardens, Rugby

Ms Tamsin Keay (Objector)

Mrs Debbie Farrington (Agent) (Supporter)

Councillor Richard Harrington (Ward Councillor) (Objector)

### R24/0103 Land North of Projects Drive, Rugby

Mr Chris Lindley (Agent) (Supporter)

Councillor Nooria Sayani (Ward Councillor) (Objector)

In accordance with the Council's public speaking procedure, Councillors Harrington and Sayani left the meeting once all speakers had made their representations to the Committee and took no part in the debate.

**RESOLVED THAT** – the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment be authorised to issue decision notices as indicated in relation to the applications below:

- (a) Redevelopment of the former football pitch and tennis courts associated with the adjacent employment use, including demolition of the existing pavilion and all other remaining structures and enclosures relating to the previous use of the site, and the erection of 115 dwellings, accesses, landscaping, parking, drainage features and associated works at Land North of Rounds Gardens, Rugby (R24/0111) - Councillor Sandison moved and Councillor Karadiar seconded that the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment be authorised to refuse planning permission for the reasons set out in the draft decision notice appended to the report and addendum.
- (b) Construction of 108 dwellings with associated access, roads, parking and landscaping at Land North of Projects Drive, Rugby (R24/0103) – Councillor Gillias moved and Councillor Sandison seconded that the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment be authorised to grant planning permission subject to:
  - 1) The conditions and informatives set out in the draft decision notice appended to the report and the addendum; and
  - 2) The completion of a legal agreement to secure the necessary financial contributions and/or planning obligations as indicatively outlined in the heads of terms within the report; and
  - 3) The Chief Officer for Growth and Investment be given delegated authority to make minor amendments to the conditions and informatives outlined in the draft decision notice; and
  - 4) The Chief Officer for Growth and Investment (in consultation with the Planning Committee Chair) be given delegated authority to add, vary or remove any of the financial contributions and/or planning obligations outlined in the heads of terms within the report.

**62. ADVANCE NOTICE OF SITE VISITS FOR PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**RESOLVED THAT** – no further site visits be approved.

**63. DELEGATED DECISIONS – 23 JANUARY – 19 FEBRUARY 2025**

The Committee considered the report of the Chief Officer for Growth and Investment (Part 1 – Agenda Item 6) concerning decisions taken by her under delegated powers during the above period.

**RESOLVED THAT** – the report be noted.

**CHAIRMAN**