

**MINUTES OF THE DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
HELD ON**

10 April 2024

7.30 - 9.02 pm

**PRESENT**

**Committee Members**

Councillor Michael Garnett (Chair)  
Councillor Sue Livings (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor James Leppard  
Councillor Kay Morrison  
Councillor John Steer  
Councillor Nancy Watson

**Officers**

Ross Brereton, Principal Planning Officer  
Pauline Elliott, Interim Head of Planning and Building Control  
Julie Galvin, Legal Services Manager  
Scott Marfleet, Desktop Engineer  
Adam Rees, Senior Governance Support Officer  
Chris Walter, Planning Officer

235. **WEBCAST INTRODUCTION**

The Chair said the meeting was being webcast live and would be available for repeated viewing after the meeting has ended. By continuing to attend the meeting, you were consenting to being filmed and to appearing in the webcast.

236. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Maggie Hulcoop and Nicky Purse. Councillor Simon Carter was in attendance as substitute for Councillor Purse.

237. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor John Steer declared a non-pecuniary interest in application HW/FUL/23/00488 as the relevant Portfolio Holder. He would leave the meeting whilst the item was considered.

Councillor Sue Livings declared a non-pecuniary interest in the same application as a member of Harlow Arts Trust.

Councillor James Leppard declared a non-pecuniary interest in application HW/HSE/24/00029 as a Harlow Common Ward Councillor.

238. **MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2024 be agreed and signed as a correct record by the Chair, subject to the inclusion of Councillor James Leppard in the list of those who gave apologies.

239. **MATTERS ARISING**

None.

240. **WRITTEN QUESTIONS**

None.

241. **PROCEDURE FOR CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**RESOLVED** that the procedure for the meeting be noted.

*Councillor John Steer left the meeting.*

242. **HW/FUL/23/00488 - LAND TO THE WEST OF HARLOW PLAYHOUSE, COLLEGE GATE, HARLOW**

The Committee received a report and application HW/FUL/23/00488 at Land to the West of Harlow Playhouse, College Gate, Harlow for the Redevelopment of land to the west of Harlow Playhouse, including Occasio House, to provide a 2 no. storey detached extension to Harlow Playhouse to provide creative studios and performing arts space, music school and recording studio, cafe, changing rooms and booking office (Sui Generis); and an additional part 6 no. and part 5 no. storey building to provide flexible commercial and community floorspace at ground floor level (Use Class E and Use Class F.1/F.2) with residential flats above (Use Class C); together with landscaping, public realm improvements, improvement works to the Haydens Road subway, re-direction of College Gate and re-location of the taxi rank; and associated access and parking provision.

Representations were heard from an objector, a supporter, and the applicant.

**RESOLVED** that planning permission be **GRANTED** subject to the conditions in the report, as amended by the supplementary agenda, and an amendment to the construction hours so that works begin at 8am.

*Councillor John Steer returned to the meeting.*

243. **HW/HSE/24/00029 - 10 THE SWEYNS, HARLOW**

The Committee received a report and application HW/HSE/24/00029 at 10 the Sweyns for render finish to elevations.

Representations were heard from two objectors.

**RESOLVED** that planning permission be **REFUSED** as the application would have an unacceptable impact on the character and appearance of the surrounding area, contrary to Policy PL1 of the HLDP.

244. **HW/FUL/24/00057 - 60 HARE STREET SPRINGS, HARLOW**

The Committee received a report and application HW/FUL/24/00057 at 60 Hare Street Springs for the conversion of existing House of Multiple Occupation into 3 no. two-bedroom flats and 1 no. one-bedroom flat along with the construction of two-storey side and rear extensions and a single storey rear extension. Including the repositioning of windows and the relocation of the front door, above which a new canopy is proposed to be erected.

**RESOLVED** that planning permission be **GRANTED** subject to the conditions in the report, with an amendment to the construction hours so that works can begin no earlier than 8am.

245. **REFERENCES FROM OTHER COMMITTEES**

None.

246. **MATTERS OF URGENT BUSINESS**

The Chair said this was the last meeting that Pauline Elliott, Interim Planning and Building Control Manager would be attending before leaving the council. The Committee thanked her for the support and advice she had provided them.

CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE