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Marchwood Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held at Marchwood Village Hall on Monday 8th July 2019 at 7.00pm

Councillors: Cllr M Saxby (Chairman) – in the Chair
Cllr J Case (P) Cllr A Hoare (P)
Cllr D Hindle (A) Cllr P Mballa (A)
Cllr R Young (P)
(A) Absent (P) Present

In attendance: Mr B Gibbs, Clerk to the Council

Also present: Cllr S Bennison (District Councillor)

Apologies

- 1. Cllr Hindle and Cllr Mballa sent their apologies.

Public Participation

- 2. No members of the public were in attendance.

Declarations of Interest

- 3. There were no declarations of interest recorded.

Chairman’s Report

- 4. Cllr Saxby made no report.

Minutes

- 5. **RESOLVED:** To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd June 2019

Planning Applications

- 6. **RESOLVED:** To submit the following comments and recommendations.

19/10581 Site of Fawley Power Station, Fawley Road, Fawley, Southampton, SO45 1TW: Land within the New Forest District Council comprising the demolition of the existing power station buildings and provision of 1,380 new homes, 102,600 square metres of new commercial, civic and employment space (Use Classes A1, A2, A3, A4, B1, B2, B8, C1, C3, D1 and D2), enlargement of the dock and creation of a canal within part of the turbine hall basement, refurbishment of the remainder of the turbine hall basement to create a 2,100 space car park, a boat stack, public open space, SANG, primary access road through the site, flood defences / sea wall, raising site level, hard and soft landscaping, associated infrastructure and engineering works (Outline Application with details only of Access).

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Marchwood Parish Council is sympathetic to the comments made by the Friends of the New Forest particularly regarding the already stressed local road network (including the A326 and the B3053) and the request to return the land to agricultural uses.

The Parish Council recognises that a return of the land to an agricultural use may be highly desirable but does not believe this can be achieved when considering the current demand for all forms of housing both locally and nationally.

The Parish Council therefore accepts the principal of development is established.

The Parish Council accepts that the logical access and egress from the proposed development site should be onto the B3053. However, the proposed alterations to a handful of existing junctions to deal with the expected significant increase in road traffic will in our view do absolutely nothing to alleviate the pre-existing bottleneck at Marchwood.

Here the A326 is already at maximum capacity during rush hours and traffic diverts onto village roads at times of peak congestion. This has the consequence of placing school children from the adjacent infant school at an entirely unnecessary and avoidable risk.

In its current form this proposal has made wholly inadequate transport provisions and will only exacerbate the well-known traffic issues in Marchwood. The proposed mitigation of the effects of the extra traffic that are planned up to and including the Dibden roundabout is completely inappropriate for a proposal of this size and importance.

Therefore the Parish Council would like to raise a strong objection to this planning application as currently worded.

18/11448 Parks Farm, Long Lane, Marchwood, Southampton SO40 4WR: Permanent use of land as football training ground (Use Class D2); retention of 6 football pitches and associated car parking; retention of flood lighting for 2 pitches; toilet block; security kiosk and automated barriers.

Marchwood Parish Council has no objection to this proposal now that the application to remove conditions 7 & 13 of the existing permission 13/10844 has been withdrawn.

The Parish Council is also happy to note that this application now seeks permanent permission of the change of use.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.19pm