PLANNING DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

27 April 2005

Attendance:

Councillors:

Busher (Chairman) (P)

Baxter (P) Bennetts (P) Beveridge (P) Davies (P) Darbyshire Evans (P) Jeffs (P) Johnston (P) Mitchell (P) Pearson (P) Read (P) Saunders (P) Sutton Tait (P)

Others in attendance who addressed the meeting:

Councillor Mather

1136. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Darbyshire and Sutton.

1137. DEVELOPMENT CONTROL APPLICATIONS

(Report PDC535 refers)

The Schedule of Development Control decisions arising from the consideration of the above report is circulated separately and forms an appendix to the minutes.

Councillor Davies declared a personal (but not prejudicial) interest in respect of item 6, as he was a member of the Council of the City of Winchester Trust which had commented on this application and he spoke and voted thereon.

Councillor Beveridge declared a personal (but not prejudicial) interest in respect of item 6 as he was a member of the City of Winchester Trust which had commented on this application and he spoke and voted thereon.

Councillor Busher declared a personal (but not prejudicial interest) in respect of item 4, as the objector was personally known to her and she spoke and voted thereon.

Councillor Evans declared a personal (but not prejudicial interest) in respect of item 4, as the objector was personally known to her and she spoke and voted thereon. Mr J Hearn (Planning Team Manager) declared a personal and prejudicial interest in respect of item 4 as he was personally acquainted with the objector and he left the meeting during consideration of the item.

The Chairman announced that item 3 - Exton Park Organics, Allens Farm, Exton had been withdrawn at the request of the applicant.

In the public participation part of the meeting, following items were discussed:

In respect of items 1 and 2 – Heather Cottage, 73 Church Street, Micheldever, Winchester, the Director of Development reported that the applicant had advised that he was unable to attend today's meeting to speak against the recommendations to refuse the applications. The Director requested that unless Members were minded to defer consideration of the items, that they have regard to the applicant's representation in determining the applications. Following debate, the Committee agreed to refuse both applications.

In respect of item 4 – Land at Meadowland, Kings Worthy, Winchester, Mrs Penton spoke in objection to the application. The Director of Development made reference to a letter received from Councillor Hutton, a Ward Member, which set out his reasons for opposing the proposals. Following debate the Committee approved the application as set out.

In respect of item 5 – Alresford Salads, The Nythe, Bighton Road, Old Alresford, Cllr Byrne (Old Alresford Parish Council) and Mr Morgan-Giles spoke in objection to the application. The Director of Development referred to a letter received from Councillor Cook, a Ward Member, which set out his concerns regarding the proposals. Although not objecting to the application, Councillor Cook requested that a condition be imposed restricting the levels of vehicular movement. Following debate, the Committee agreed that a Viewing Sub-Committee should visit the application site at 9.30am on Tuesday 10 May 2005 to consider aspects of the existing operations and proposals for a consolidated facility at the Nythe, especially the impact on roads. The Sub Committee would also visit the Manor Farm site to consider whether any future subsidiary activity from this site would have additional impact on roads and the amenity of the area.

In respect of item 6 – Enniskerry, Sleepers Hill, Winchester, Mr Jones spoke in objection to the application and Mrs Pearce spoke in support. At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Mather, a Ward Member, spoke on this item. In summary Councillor Mather started that although the architectural design of the application was good, the proposals were inappropriate to the character of the area. In answer to Members' questions, the Director of Development clarified that the application had addressed previous reasons for refusal, namely: drainage, landscape and trees. The Committee agreed to approve the application subject to a condition requiring details of maintenance and responsibility of landscaped areas.

In respect of items not subject to public participation, the Committee approved item 7 – Yew Tree House, Hensting Lane, Owslebury, Winchester as set out.

RESOLVED:

1. That the decisions taken on the Development Control Applications, as set out in the schedule which forms an appendix to the minutes, be agreed.

2. That in respect of item 5, a Planning (Viewing) Sub Committee visit Alresford Salads, The Nythe, Bighton Road, Old Alresford on Tuesday 10 May 2005 at 9.30am and that Councillors Baxter, Busher, Davies, Mitchell and Tait be appointed to serve thereon.

1138. PLANNING APPEALS – SUMMARY OF DECISIONS

(Report PDC533 refers)

RESOLVED:

That the report be noted.

The meeting commenced at 2.00 pm and concluded at 5.10pm.

Chairman