

Planning Committee Minutes

Date: Wednesday 22 March 2023

Time: 2:00p.m. – 2.12p.m.

Venue: New Shire Hall, Alconbury Weald

Present: Councillors, Bradnam, Connor, Corney, Gardener, Gough, Rae (Vice-Chair),

49. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Batchelor (Councillor McDonald substituting), Sanderson and Smith.

50. Declarations of Interest

None.

51. Minutes – 25 January 2023

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 25 January 2023 as a correct record.

52. Installation of a mobile block of two classrooms, access steps and ramp for a temporary period

At: Teversham Primary School, Church Road, Teversham, CB1 9AZ

Applicant: Cambridgeshire County Council

Application Number: CCC/22/150/FUL

Members received a planning application for the installation of a 62 square metre mobile classroom building on the Teversham Primary School site which would replace two existing mobile classrooms that had reached the end of their life. The new modular classroom building would be sited on the same footprint as the existing mobiles and would contain two classrooms, a cloakroom, toilet, access ramp and fire escape steps. The Committee noted the application sought retention for a period of 5 years.

The Committee was informed that the site of the proposed mobile classroom was within the Cambridge Green belt, (although the wider school was not) and therefore the decision could not be made under delegation. Members noted that the relevant

planning policies, in particular paragraph 95 of the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) that placed significant weight to the provision of sufficient school places to meet the needs of existing and new communities.

In response to the officer presentation a Member welcomed the desire of the Council's Road Safety Officer for an updated travel plan to be produced as there were regular cases of inconsiderate parking.

Speaking in support of the application, the agent for the applicant confirmed that a revised travel plan was being finalised and would likely be completed by Easter 2023.

Members debated the application and referenced the support for the replacement classrooms. The site was well screened from a heritage asset and there were no material planning considerations on which permission could be refused.

It was proposed by Councillor Gardener and seconded by Councillor Bradnam that the recommendation be put to the vote.

On being put to the vote it was resolved unanimously that planning permission be granted subject to the conditions set out at Appendix A to these minutes

53. Summary of Decisions Taken Under Delegated Powers

It was resolved to note the report.

Chair

Expiry Date

1. This permission is for a temporary period only until 31 August 2028.

Reason: To ensure the appropriate development of the site and protect the character and appearance of the locality in accordance with policies S/3, SC/46, and TI/9 of the South Cambridgeshire District Council Local Plan (September 2018).

Approved Plans and Documents

2. The development hereby permitted shall only remain in accordance with the application dated 23 December 2022 and the following plans and documents (received 23 December 2022, unless otherwise stated); amended plans and documents:

Lanpro Planning Statement Revision 3, dated January 2023, received 31 January 2023;
Mobile Classroom Site Plan Proposed, drawing number Mc340-SP-000-P, dated Sep 22, received 23 December 2022;
7 Bay Modular Classroom Building number 639 Elevations, drawing number Mb639e-00-000, dated Jan 23, received 31 January 2023;
Mobile Classroom detail plan, drawing number Mc340-DP-000, dated Sep 22;
Design and Access Statement, dated 31 October 2022; and,
Lanpro Arboricultural Impact Assessment, Tree Protection Plan and Arboricultural Method Statement, dated January 2023, received 23 January 2023.

Reason: To ensure the appropriate development of the site, protect the character and appearance of the locality in accordance with policies HQ/1, NH/8, NH/14 of the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan 2018.

Removal

3. The building, hereby permitted, shall be removed by 31 August 2028 and the land restored to its former condition.

Reason: The building construction and materials are considered inappropriate for more than a temporary period in order to retain the openness and rural character of the adjoining Green Belt and countryside, as well as the setting of the Conservation Area and settings of nearby listed buildings, in accordance with policies HQ/1, NH/8, NH/14 of the South Cambridgeshire Local Plan 2018, Sections 66 and 72 of the Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990, as well as the NPPF.