

## Planning Committee Minutes

Date: Wednesday 20 March 2024

Time: 10:00a.m. – 10.10am

Venue: New Shire Hall, Alconbury Weald

Present: Councillors, Batchelor (Chair), Corney, Gardener, Gough, Kindersley, Prentice, and Rae (Vice-Chair),

### 77. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Bradnam and Connor

### 78. Declarations of Interest

Councillor Kindersley declared an interest as a member of the CAM Academy Trust and item 5 with CVC Steeple Morden local member.

Councillor Gardener declared an interest in minute 80 as local member for Ellington Mushroom farm and Great Staughton.

### 79. Minutes – 6 September 2023

The minutes of 6 September 2023 were agreed as a correct record.

### 80. Enforcement and Monitoring Update Report

The Committee received the Enforcement and Monitoring Update report. The presenting officer informed members that the report covered the period 1 April 2023 to 31 January 2024. The Committee noted the increase in charges for monitoring and inspection visits the presenting officer explained that it was not possible to provide forecast income figures based on the changes yet. The Committee noted the site visits and enforcement action that had been undertaken to date.

The presenting officer advised that the Council's Enforcement Plan was due to have been reviewed at the end of 2023. However, this had been delayed in order to account for the changes to the guidance relating to Biodiversity Net Gain that became mandatory from 12 February 2024.

A member questioned whether a date was known for the decision of the Planning Inspector in relation to The Pig Unit (former Mushroom Farm), Harthay Farm, Thrapston Road, Ellington. Officers commented that they were pleased with the speed in which the matter was dealt with and were helpful that a decision would be made quickly.

It was resolved to note the report

## 80 Regulation 3 Planning Breach of Planning Control

The Committee received a report that notified of a breach of planning control at Cambourne Village College. The breach of planning control related to a Regulation 3 planning application for the County Council's own development where the white bricks that were approved for use in the construction of teaching blocks at Cambourne Village College have been replaced with render, contrary to conditions 2 and 11 of planning permission reference CCC/21/087/FUL. Greater Cambridge Shared Planning objected to the material used. The render was not able to be removed without incurring significant cost and also unable to be regularised by way of a planning application.

Members noted that the Council's enforcement plan set out that the Council would be unable to take formal enforcement action when it determines its own development. The matter was therefore reported to the Planning Committee.

It was resolved to note the report.

## 81. Summary of Decisions Taken Under Delegated Powers

The Committee received a report that provided a summary of the decisions taken under delegated powers.

It was resolved to note the report.

Chair

