

LEICESTER FOREST EAST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning, Trees and Highways Committee Meeting on Tuesday 5th December 2023, held in the Reg Neal room of the Parish Hall, Kings Drive, Leicester Forest East commencing at 7.00pm.

Present: P. Kitchen (Chair) C. Wells (Vice-Chair) R. Darlison M. Bozzoni
D. Dawes D. Di Palma

Mrs H. E. Mann – Clerk to the Council.

PTH 23.127 To receive apologies for absence
None.

PTH 23.128 To receive Disclosures of Interest in accordance with the Code of Conduct
None.

PTH 23.129 To adjourn the meeting to receive Questions from the Public
None.

PTH 23.130 To confirm the Minutes of the Planning, Trees and Highways Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 7th November 2023
Resolution: The Committee resolved to accept the Minutes of the Planning, Trees and Highways Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 7th November 2023 as a true and accurate record.

Clerk to remove the word 'draft' from the November Planning Committee minutes.

PTH 23.131 To discuss matters arising from those minutes:

(a) To discuss new MVAS for Warren Lane and Welcome to LFE road signs to be purchased by £25,000 Members' Highways Fund. Plus, to review location of Welcome to LFE Signs
Resolution: The Committee resolved to accept the four proposed locations for the new 'Welcome to Leicester Forest East' road signs at: 1. Ratby Lane, near the Park and Ride, 2. Braunstone Crossroads, 3. Beggars Lane (on the approach from Lubbesthorpe); and 4. A47 close to the LFE boulder.

Clerk to tell LCC the Council is happy with the locations of the proposed new welcome to LFE road signs.

(b) To discuss updates on Christmas lights, large cut Christmas tree & small, planted Christmas tree
The Clerk has expressed her deep disappointment that the Christmas lights were not on at the Christmas light switch on, to the Christmas light company. She has also got them to agree to reduce the bill for the year by £450.00 in compensation.

Clerk to make a note in the plan of work to ask the Christmas light company to install the lights a few weeks ahead of the switch on date to ensure they do not make the same error. Also, to review how long the Council would like the lights on for (i.e. 2pm-midnight as it currently the case or all day).

(c) To consider Planning Committee budget items for 2023/2024 budget, including the possibility of Eid and/or Diwali lights for 2024
Nothing further to add to the budget at this stage.

PTH 23.132 To discuss Planning Applications:

(a) 23/0899/DOC – Re-discharge of condition 12 (retaining walls) of application ref. 19/0751/FUL – in relation to plots 26-27 – site address: street record Ratby Lane, Kirby Muxloe
No Comment.

(b) **Hinckley And Bosworth Borough Council - Land off Desford Lane Ratby, Leicestershire - APP/K2420/W/330774 – outline planning for the erection of up to 225 dwellings (including 40% affordable housing) with public open space, landscaping, and sustainable drainage system (SuDS) and a vehicular access point. All matters reserved except for means of access.**

No Comment.

(c) **23/0884/HHPD – 37 Queens Drive – the erection of a single storey rear extension which would extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse by 7 metres, for which the maximum height would be 2.75 metres and for which the height to eaves would be 2.75 metres.**

No Comment.

PTH 23.133 To note Planning Decisions:

(a) **23/0794/HH – 225 Hinckley Road – extensions to rear of detached garage – GRANTED**
Noted.

PTH 23.134 To note planning enforcement cases:

(a) **E23/0289/ADV – 148 Hinckley Road – siting of advertising board – status PCO**
Noted.

PTH 23.135 To discuss or note Planning Applications/Decisions/Enforcement cases received after agenda was prepared:

None.

PTH 23.136 **Annual Review of the Neighbourhood Development Plan**

The Planning Committee reviewed the Neighbourhood Development Plan and no amendments were needed.

PTH 23.137 To consider what the Planning Committee would like to see happen to the old farm building on the land Bloors are planning to build on

Clerk to tell Bloors that the PC would like to see the old farm building restored as a dwelling house.

PTH 23.138 To consider whether the Parish Council would like to start sending a representative to the Lubbesthorpe Impact Group

Resolution: The Committee resolved not to send a representative to the Lubbesthorpe Impact Group.

Clerk to respond to BTC to explain the Committee has resolved not to send a representative to the Lubbesthorpe Impact Group.

PTH 23.139 To consider new street trading consent application

Resolution: The Committee resolved to object to the new street trading consent application for a food van selling Indian takeaway food to park on the Warren Lane pharmacy car park as it is not a suitable site due to the existing issue with traffic volume at this site. The Committee argues that another factor which must be considered is that this is a location where school buses drop children off and there has already been one accident in on this road involving a school child; adding a takeaway van such as this could lead to further issues.

Clerk to respond to BDC Planning Department explaining: The Committee resolved to object to the new street trading consent application for a food van selling Indian takeaway food to park on the Warren Lane pharmacy car park as it is not a suitable site due to the existing issue with traffic volume at this site. The Committee argues that another factor which must be considered is that this is a location where school buses drop children off and there has already been one accident in on this road involving a school child; adding a takeaway van such as this could lead to further issues.

PTH 23.140 **Date of next meeting**

Tuesday 9th January 2024 at 7.00pm.

Meeting closed at 7.29pm.