

SOUTH SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL
(CENTRAL SWINDON SOUTH PARISH COUNCIL)

EXTRAORDINARY PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 1 December 2020 at 6.30
at a VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING

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| Present | Cllr T Philpot | Chair |
| | Cllr P Herring | Vice Chair |
| | Cllr N Hopkins | |
| | Cllr J Firmin | |
| | Cllr C Watts | |
| | Cllr N Watts | |
| | Cllr S Pajack | Not Committee Member |
| Officers | Jake Mee | Chief Finance Officer (CFO) |
| | Matt Bradley | Communications and Events Manager (CEM) |
| | Theresa Gordon | Planning & Agenda Clerk |
| Public | Two | |
| Public Session | A member of the public asked a question during the presentation by Turley Developers. | |

1267 **Apologies**

Cllr S Ahmed
Cllr A Hamid
Cllr M Strinkovsky

1268 **Declaration of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**

None

1269 **Pre-Application Discussion – Swindon Sidings**

Standing Orders were suspended to receive a pre-application presentation from Turley Developments regarding The Swindon Sidings development.

Turley Developments gave a presentation to the committee regarding the regeneration project at Swindon Sidings, Wootton Bassett Road, further to a presentation given to the committee on 10th December 2019 (Agenda item 974).

Councillor C Watts joined the meeting during this item.

The Committee received a presentation from Turley Developments regarding the Sidings, at Wootton Bassett Road. The presenter said that they wished to run through the plans prior to application. The presenter summarised that the project would create a direct pedestrian / cycle connection between Wootton Bassett Road and Park Lane, with cycle links to wider networks, changes to Red Post Drive altering a three-arm junction to a four-arm junction using co-ordinated signalling. Ecology had been investigated to identify wildlife habitats and several mitigation strategies would be put into place during and following construction works to protect them, achieved by landscaping, with areas of rock and stone facilitating invertebrates and reptiles. Small cliff faces will be dug into the landscaped banks to provide nesting locations for solitary bee and wasp species. Full details of the various mitigation proposals are set out in the 'Biodiversity Mitigation Strategy.

A member of the public asked about the efficiency of the build and renewable energy. The presenter confirmed that the build would include solar energy and construction would be expected to adhere to relevant regulations and checked before occupation.

The Committee discussed the pre-application and thanked the presenter for the presentation and looked forward to the full application.

Standing Orders were reinstated.

NOTED

1270 Planning Applications delegated to the Chair and Vice Chair

The Chair submitted a report containing the delegated responses of the chair and Vice Chair, copy of which appears as Appendix A in the Minute Book.

RESOLVED that the responses of the Chair and Vice Chair be approved.

1271 Planning Decisions

The Deputy Clerk submitted for information a report containing the decisions made by Swindon Borough Council, a copy of which appears as Appendix B in the Minute Book.

NOTED

The meeting closed at 19:06pm

Signed.....

Date.....

Chair of the Council