



# MINUTES OF A PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

SALISBURY GARDENS

4:30PM

19 MARCH 2024

PRESENT

DRAFT

Councillors: Phil Warren (Chair), Steph Toogood, Jim Toogood and John Watkins.

ITEM SUBJECT

## PUBLIC FORUM

There were 10 members of the public present, raising concerns about item e) Bluebell House Residential Care.

Concerns were raised re:-

- Management – with plans for 22 rooms, who is looking after the property?
- No information available regarding the 22 bike sheds and charging points for electric bikes.
- With potentially 22 residents, will each have a car?
- The site is dangerous already, with only 5 parking spaces.
- Would one of the residents be designated as a Warden in charge?
- Have the Police been informed of this proposal?
- Excessive amount of people allowed for the size of the building; over-development.
- Shortage of housing for young couples – the building lends itself to a bigger project (ie., self-contained flats).
- Concerns raised regarding storage of refuse.
- Anti-social behaviour is a concern because the accommodation will only be available for local Isle of Wight residents in crisis.

## 1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no Apologies for absence received.

## 2) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

## 3) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting of 6 February 2024 – having been previously circulated to members, were taken as read and approved.

## 4) PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- a) 23/02264/HOU: THE MOORINGS, SEVEN SISTERS ROAD, ST LAWRENCE

**It was unanimously resolved:**

that Ventnor Town Council sees no reason to oppose this application.

- b) 24/00249/HOU: 17 UNDERCLIFF GARDENS

**It was unanimously resolved:**

that Ventnor Town Council strongly opposes this application. The development is excessive in mass for a home-office proposal.

- c) 24/00319/FUL: LAND BETWEEN 11 AND 15 MADEIRA ROAD

**It was unanimously resolved:**

that Ventnor Town Council strongly supports this revised scheme which meets the demands of the Ground Stability report.

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d) 23/02181/HOU: 7 CASTLE CLOSE

**It was unanimously resolved:**

that Ventnor Town Council sees no reason to oppose this application.

e) 24/00226/FUL: BLUEBELL HOUSE RESIDENTIAL CARE, 74-76 MITCHELL AVENUE

**It was unanimously resolved:**

that Ventnor Town Council strongly opposes this incomplete and deeply flawed planning application.

- The application is speculative, inadequate and inaccurate.
- Fire safety is very concerning.
- It is noted that bus operator Southern Vectis have flagged up that the road is dangerous.
- There has been no response from Island Roads.
- The application does not meet local or Island housing needs.

**5) PLANNING ACTION LIST**

The Action List was discussed and any items requiring further attention will be progressed as necessary with the Isle of Wight Council's Planning Enforcement department.

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The Meeting closed at 6:30pm.

SIGNED BY THE CHAIR:

DATE:

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