## PLANNING BOARD 12th December, 2024

Present:- Councillor Williams (in the Chair); Councillors Mault, Adair, Ahmed, Castledine-Dack, Currie, Elliott, Tarmey and Thorp.

Apologies for absence were received from The Mayor (Councillor Cowen) and Councillors Baker-Rogers, Fisher and Keenan.

The webcast of the Planning Meeting can be viewed at: https://rotherham.public-i.tv/core/portal/home

#### 50. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

There were no items on the agenda to warrant exclusion of the press and public.

#### 51. MATTERS OF URGENCY

There were no matters of urgency for consideration.

#### 52. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest to report.

#### 53. DEFERMENTS/SITE VISITS

There were no site visits or deferments recommended.

# 54. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 21ST NOVEMBER, 2024

**Resolved:-** That the minutes of the previous meeting of the Planning Regulatory Board held on Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2024, be approved as a correct record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

#### 55. DEVELOPMENT PROPOSALS

**Resolved:-** (1) That, on the development proposals now considered, the requisite notices be issued and be made available on the Council's website and that the time limits specified in Sections 91 and 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 apply.

In accordance with the right to speak procedure the following people attended the meeting and spoke about the applications below:-

- Demolition of existing dwellinghouse and erection of 2 No. dwellinghouses at 792 Upper Wortley Road Kimberworth for Mr. Hussain (RB2022/1144)

Mr. Hussain (Applicant)

Ms. N. Hatswell (Objector)

A statement was read out on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. T. Gardiner (Objectors)

- Erection of 6 residential dwellings at Land off London Way Thorpe Hesley for Jones Homes (Yorkshire) Limited (RB2024/0466)

Councillor C. Foster (Objector) Mr. B. Whitaker (Objector)

 Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of new detached dwelling at 6 St James View Ravenfield for Mrs. L. Smith (RB2024/1511)

Mrs. L. Smith (Applicant)

Mr. P. Strange (Objector)

Mr. I. Edwards (Objector)

Mr. P. Middleton (Objector)

 Application to vary condition 7 (now condition 6) (revision of operating hours – to allow 24hr use) imposed by RB2023/1471 at MTL Advanced Grange Lane Brinsworth for MTL Advanced Ltd. (RB2024/1514)

Mr. K. Stewart (Applicant)

Ms. L. Allott (Objector)

Anonymous Speaker (Objector)

A statement was read out on behalf of Mr. R. Smith (Objector)

A statement was read out on behalf of Mrs. C. Batchford (Objector)

- (2) That application RB2022/1144 be granted for the reasons adopted by Members at the meeting and subject to the relevant conditions listed in the submitted report and also subject to two additional conditions relating to obscure glazing to the side elevation windows of Plot 2 and specific boundary treatment/wall along the school access road and in consultation with Thorpe Hesley Primary School.
- (3) That application RB2024/0466 be granted for the reasons adopted by Members at the meeting and subject to the relevant conditions listed in the submitted report.
- (4) That application RB2024/1511 be granted for the reasons adopted by Members at the meeting and subject to the relevant conditions listed in the submitted report.
- (5) That application RB2024/1514 be granted for the reasons adopted by Members at the meeting and subject to the relevant conditions listed in the submitted report.

### 56. UPDATES

The following update information was provided:-

(a) National Planning Policy Framework

The Head of Planning confirmed the imminent update to the National Planning Policy Framework which had been revised in response to the proposed reforms and other changes to the planning system. The update would set out the Government's planning policies for England and how these were expected to be applied.

The Government had committed to delivering 1.5 million new homes along with the critical infrastructure that underpinned economic growth over the next five years. This would also consider how the Council looked at affordability and how Local Government was affected with the increase in indicative housing need targets.

It was suggested that once the detail within the Framework had been received and absorbed an all Member Seminar be arranged to share the detail.

(b) Planning Reform Working Paper – Modernising Planning Committees

The Head of Planning also referred to the Government's Planning Reform Working Paper – Modernising Planning Committees. This working paper detailed how the Government was committed to supporting better decision making in the planning system and greater standardisation over the operation of committees.

Details of the Working Paper would be circulated to the Planning Board for information and a training session on the fundamental changes and democratic oversight arranged on the detail in the new year.