

Regulatory Committee

Tuesday 9 January 2024

Minutes

Attendance

Committee Members

Councillor Jill Simpson-Vince (Chair)
Councillor John Cooke (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Andy Jenns
Councillor Justin Kerridge
Councillor Chris Mills
Councillor Caroline Phillips
Councillor Tim Sinclair
Councillor Adrian Warwick

Officers

Helen Barnsley, Senior Democratic Services Officer
Deb Moseley, Team Manager - Democratic Services
Sally Panayi, Senior Planning Officer
Caroline Gutteridge, Delivery Lead Commercial & Regulatory
Charlie Jones, Planning Officer (Contractor)
Georg Urban, Senior Planner

1. General

The Chair started the meeting with a big thank you to Sally Panayi, Senior Planner, who is leaving the council. The committee agreed that Sally has been a very valuable member of the planning team. The Committee wished Sally all the best and thanked her for all her hard work.

(1) Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Jeff Clarke, Councillor Judy Falp, Councillor Dave Humphreys.

Apologies were also received from Scott Tompkins, Director of Environment, Planning & Transport.

(2) Disclosures of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests

None

(3) Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th September 2023 were agreed as a true and accurate record.

Councillor Caroline Phillips highlighted an error on page four of the minutes and requested that an update be made. In paragraph four of the 'Debate' section, change was corrected to chance –

“It is essential that the children are given the *chance* to grow up in a family setting.”

There were no matters arising.

2. Delegated Decisions

Members noted the delegated decision made by officers since the last meeting, as set out in the report.

3. S73 application seeking permission for the variation of condition 2 of planning permission RBC/22CC007 for a New fire rescue training centre including a 'hot smoke house' Minerva fire simulation training facility, a welfare building, on-site parking,

The Chair introduced the item and reminded members that the original application had been approved in summer 2023 by the Committee. It was noted that the application was a Warwickshire County Council application.

The original application had very detailed design proposals and the current application seeking permission to vary condition 2 was missing these details. It was confirmed that the Chair and Vice-Chair had agreed to suggest to the Committee that the application today be deferred so that the additional details can be requested.

The Chair moved to defer the application. Councillor John Cooke seconded the proposal to defer. A vote was held, and the Committee unanimously agreed to defer the application.

Resolved

That the Regulatory Committee defer the application in order that more details can be provided on the proposed variation to Condition Two.

4. Appointments to External Organisations

Deb Moseley, Team Manager - Democratic Services introduced the report to the Committee.

It was confirmed that in addition to the three appointments recommended for approval in the report, the Committee needed to note that Dave Ayton-Hill, Director of Economy & Place would be replacing the Chief Executive as the director of the Coventry and Warwickshire Growth Hub Limited (CWGH).

Following a question from Councillor Justin Kerridge, it was confirmed that as a non-constituent member of the West Midlands Combined Authority, it was important that Warwickshire County Council has a representative on the CWGH.

The recommendation was proposed by Councillor Adrian Warwick and seconded by Councillor Justin Kerridge. A vote was held; Councillor Caroline Phillips abstained from the vote. The rest of the Committee voted unanimously in favour of the recommendation.

Resolved

That Regulatory Committee:

1. Approves the nomination of Councillor Rob Tromans to the Transport Delivery Overview and Scrutiny Committee of the West Midlands Combined Authority.
2. Approves the nomination of the Director of Economy & Place as a Director of the Coventry and Warwickshire Growth Hub Limited.
3. Approves the nomination of the Chief Executive as a Director/Trustee of the West Midlands Growth Company

5. Reports Containing Confidential or Exempt Information

Resolved

That members of the public be excluded from the meeting for the items mentioned below on the grounds that their presence would involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 12A of Part 1 of the Local Government Act 1972.

6. Planning Enforcement Report December 2023

Resolved

That the Committees notes the content of the report.