

Minutes of a meeting of the **Planning Committee** held at the **New Council Chamber - Town Hall, Reigate** on **Wednesday, 13 December 2023 at 7.30 pm.**

**Present:** Councillors S. Parnall (Chair); M. S. Blacker (Vice-Chair), J. S. Bray, P. Chandler, Z. Cooper, P. Harp, K. Fairhurst, J. Hudson, S. A. Kulka, S. McKenna, J. Thorne, D. Torra and M. Tary



**61 Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 November 2023 be approved as a correct record.

**62 Apologies for absence**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Stevens. Councillor Sachdeva subsequently gave a retrospective apology for absence.

**63 Declarations of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**64 Addendum to the agenda**

**RESOLVED** that the addendum be noted.

**65 22/02783/F - Land Parcel at 525627 145487 Reigate Road, Sidlow**

The Committee considered an application at Land Parcel at 525627 145487 Reigate Road, Sidlow for the proposed development comprising the installation and operation of a ground-mounted solar farm and energy storage system. The solar farm will broadly comprise a series of linear rows (also known as arrays) of photovoltaic (PV) solar modules, together with inverter platforms; control room; DNO station; storage containers; battery storage; security fencing & CCTV; temporary construction compound; and enhanced landscaping & ecological management.

It was noted that post the publication of the addendum condition 3 referred to the scheme being limited to a period of 40 years, this was an error and should have stated 35 years as per the report.

**RESOLVED** that planning permission be **GRANTED** subject to conditions as per the recommendation and addendum and changes as follows:

- Condition 3 - amend from 40 years to 35 years consent;
- Condition 16 - Add criterion to condition to secure scheme of land maintenance; and

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- Condition 19 – Add specific wording to require the replanting of trees for those that are felled.

The addition of an informative to encourage natural grazing and use of sheep/livestock as a form of land maintenance.

### **66 23/02202/F - 64 Massetts Road, Horley**

The Committee considered an application at 64 Massetts Road, Horley for the installation of 20 no. solar panels to the east (15no.), and west (5no.), roof surfaces of an existing residential house of multiple occupation (HMO) in Horley to provide all electrical power to the building.

A written response would be sent to members following the Committee regarding the cost savings that would be achieved from the installation of the solar panels.

**RESOLVED** that planning permission be **GRANTED**.

### **67 Any other urgent business**

There was none.

The meeting finished at 8.38 pm