

NORTH HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL

DECISION SHEET

Meeting of the Planning Control Committee held in the Council Chamber, District Council
Offices, Letchworth Garden City
on Thursday, 12th October, 2023 at 7.30 pm

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Terry Tyler.

2 MINUTES - 14 SEPTEMBER 2023

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 14 September 2023 be approved as a true record of the proceedings and be signed by the Chair.

3 NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business notified.

4 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (1) The Chair advised that, in accordance with Council Policy, the meeting would be recorded.
- (2) The Chair drew attention to the item on the agenda front pages regarding Declarations of Interest and reminded Members that, in line with the Code of Conduct, any Declarations of Interest needed to be declared immediately prior to the item in question.
- (3) The Chair clarified matters for the registered speakers.
- (4) The Chair advised that Section 4.8.23(a) of the Constitution applied to the meeting.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair confirmed that the registered speakers were in attendance.

6 18/01154/OP LAND NORTH OF HIGHOVER FARM TO STOTFOLD ROAD, HIGHOVER WAY, HITCHIN, HERTFORDSHIRE

RESOLVED: That application 18/01154/OP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons and conditions set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager.

7 22/00303/FP LAND FOR FOOTPATH BETWEEN THE GREENWAY AND STOTFOLD ROAD, HITCHIN, HERTFORDSHIRE

RESOLVED: That application 22/00303/FP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons and conditions set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager.

8 22/03092/FP LAND TO THE EAST OF FOXHOLES AND GAINSFORD HOUSE AND ON THE WEST SIDE OF, CROW FURLONG, HITCHIN, HERTFORDSHIRE

RESOLVED: That application 22/03092/FP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons and conditions set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager as amended by the Supplementary agenda, with the following additional condition:

"Condition 28:

Prior to the commencement of the development hereby approved, a scheme of sensitively designed lighting strategy shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The lighting scheme shall include and consider temporary construction lighting as well as more permanent lighting associated with the development hereby approved. Light-spill (including from temporary construction lighting) onto retained and newly created habitat, in particular the retained woodland habitat forming the south of the site, should be minimised in accordance with good practice guidance, as set out in footnote 15 of the approved Updated Ecological Report by Aspect Ecology referenced 1005083 UEcoAp vf12 CL dated 15/11/2022. The sensitively designed lighting strategy shall consider the following key factors:

- *Light exclusion zones*
- *Variable Lighting Regimes*
- *Light barriers*
- *Spacing and height of lighting units*
- *Light intensity*
- *Directionality*

Reason: *To ensure the protection, enhancement and management of biodiversity, and to comply with Policy NE4 of the North Hertfordshire Local Plan 2011 to 2031."*

**9 23/01198/FP 55 HARKNESS COURT, FRANKLIN GARDENS, HITCHIN,
HERTFORDSHIRE, SG4 0BS**

RESOLVED: That application 23/01198/FP be **GRANTED** planning permission subject to the reasons and conditions set out in the report of the Development and Conservation Manager.

10 TPO/00208 (2023) 4 COACH DRIVE, HITCHIN, HERTFORDSHIRE

RESOLVED: That the provisional Tree Preservation Order (TPO/00208) be **CONFIRMED**.