

Liskeard Town Council

AT A MEETING of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber **on Monday 26 July 2021 at 7.30 p.m.** there were present:

Committee: Councillors Naomi Taylor (in the chair), Simon Cassidy, Annette Lee-Julian, Jane Pascoe, Tony Powell, Lori Reid, Julian Smith and Christina Whitty

Deputy Town Clerk – Yvette Hayward

Members of the Public – Mr R Reardon and Kerry Libby

Before commencement of the meeting a one-minute silence was held in memory of Liskeard Honoured Burgess John Lennon.

120 / 21 **APOLOGIES**

Councillor Nick Craker

121 / 21 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS, REGISTERABLE AND NON-REGISTERABLE**

PA21/05533 & PA21/05534 the applicant was a former town councillor and well known to all committee members

122 / 21 **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON Monday 5 July 2021**

Councillor Smith proposed, Councillor Lee-Julian seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 5 July 2021 were adopted as correct.

123 / 21 **TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON PROGRESS OF ITEMS FROM THE LAST MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE ON MONDAY 5 JULY 2021**

Verbal report given

124 / 21 **AGENT PRESENTATION**

PA21/05546 & PA21/05547 Kerry Libby, Operations Director at Glassmoon confirmed:

- The guest house was due to cease trading in 2 weeks
- There are currently 380 individuals with learning disabilities in Cornwall in need of a home, which is the highest the total has been.
- The proposal was supported by Cornwall Council Adult Social Care and NHS Kernow.

125 / 21 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

126 / 21 **APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED**

From 5 July Meeting

PA21/05546 – C/o Agent Nell Homes Ltd, 27 Higher Lux Street

Conversion of existing guest house into four self-contained one-bedroom flats and four en-suite bedsitting rooms with communal facilities together with associated internal and external

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alterations

The Councillor Powell proposed, Councillor Taylor seconded, and the Council **RESOLVED** to go into **PART II**.

127 / 21 PART II - PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, the Press and Public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of Business:

Bradleys Marketing Report May 2021

128 / 21 PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (admission to meetings) Act 1960 and having regard to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, the Press and Public were readmitted to the meeting.

It was noted and had been confirmed by the planning officer that a change of use was included within the application, implicit in the description, rather than explicit, and did facilitate the change of use from C1 to C3.

Councillor Reid proposed, Councillor Pascoe seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the Council **OBJECT** to the application as it insufficiently demonstrated there was no market demand for the property as a business space, in accordance with policy 5 of the Cornwall Local Plan. Furthermore, the existing use of the property was considered strategic and of local significance for safeguarding the promotion of Liskeard as a destination for visitors to support the local economy.

From 5 July Meeting

PA21/05547 – C/o Agent Nell Homes Ltd, 27 Higher Lux Street

Listed Building Consent for conversion of existing guest house into four self-contained one-bedroom flats and four en-suite bedsitting rooms with communal facilities together with associated internal and external alterations

Councillor Reid proposed, Councillor Pascoe seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the Council **OBJECT** to the application as it insufficiently demonstrated there was no market demand for the property in its current business use, in accordance with policy 5 of the Cornwall Local Plan. Furthermore, the existing use of the property was considered strategic and of local significance for safeguarding the promotion of Liskeard as a destination for visitors to support the local economy.

PA21/05533 – Ms Hella Tovar, Highwood House, Barras Street

Proposed demolition of single-storey extension and erection of two-storey extension to rear of property. New Shop front. Change of use from retail to mixed use flexible community space, retail and food and drink provision (mixed Class E and class F2). Conversion of first and second floor in existing building into 1 sole occupancy C3 dwelling

Councillor Powell proposed, Councillor Cassidy seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the

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Council **SUPPORT** the application, subject to the advice of the historic environment planning officer. The committee expressed concerns over the resulting lack of symmetry of the proposed design of the lower ground floor frontage.

PA21/05534 – Ms Hella Tovar, Highwood House, Barras Street

Listed Building Consent for proposed demolition of single-storey extension and erection of two-storey extension to rear of property. New Shop front. Change of use from retail to mixed use flexible community space, retail and food and drink provision (mixed Class E and class F2). Conversion of first and second floor in existing building into 1 sole occupancy C3 dwelling

Councillor Powell proposed, Councillor Cassidy seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the Council **SUPPORT** the application, subject to the advice of the historic environment planning officer. The committee expressed concerns over the resulting lack of symmetry of the proposed design of the lower ground floor frontage.

PA21/06346 – Sarah Hoyle, 22 Rapson Road

The proposals include the extension at first floor over the existing garage to form a new bedroom with an en-suite. A new two storey extension is also proposed in order to increase the floor space of an existing front bedroom

Councillor Cassidy proposed, Councillor Reid seconded, and the Committee **RESOLVED** that the Council **SUPPORT** the application.

129 / 21 **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

130 / 21 **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be on **Monday 16 August 2021** at 7.30pm