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SITE VIEWING WORKING PARTY AGENDA

Membership: Councillor Guest (Chairman)

Councillors Crellin, Hughes, Keast, Lowe, Patrick, Mrs Shimbart (Vice-Chairman), Robinson, Patel, Pike, P Bains (Standing Deputy) and Weeks (Standing Deputy)

Standing Deputies: Councillors Bains, Weeks, Branson and Linger

Relevant Ward Councillors

Councillors Mark Inkster, Tom Moutray, Payter, and Gary Robinson,

Meeting: Site Viewing Working Party

Date: 27 May 2021

Time: 12.30 pm

Venue: Remote Meeting - Via Skype for Business

This is a private remote meeting to enable the Councillors to familiarise themselves with a site's characteristics and request additional information to be provided prior to the meeting the Development Management Committee, where it is considered necessary to do so.

A site briefing will normally be initiated either by:

- a. The Head of Planning in advance of the Development Management Committee, in circumstances where she considers it important to understand the physical circumstances of the site, and representations of third parties (particularly where a deputation is expected), or where the application raises issues of precedent where Councillors need to understand the wider implications of any decision
- b. The submission of a Red Card and specific request to site briefing by a Councillor

c. Resolution of the Development Management Committee

The site briefing is an opportunity for members of the Committee to familiarise themselves with the site officially and have a proposal explained to them by Officers. No decision is made at a site briefing; the matter is always referred to a future meeting of the Development Management Committee for decision.

Whilst attending a site briefing it is important for members of the Committee to consider:

- a. The site layout and boundaries;
- b. Physical features and constraints including levels and orientation;
- c. The general characteristics of the site and how it relates to the surrounding area;
- d. Nearby land uses, and
- e. Any relevant transport issues affecting the site.

The site briefing should be a 'fact finding briefing' and a means of identifying issues for consideration by the Development Management Committee. It must not therefore be used as an opportunity to debate the merits of an application. There will be no opportunity to receive representations from members of the public or applicants. Members should however ask questions of the Officers present, make points and highlight certain characteristics that they can only draw to the attention of other members of the Site briefing.

The minutes of the meeting shall be published. The presentation together with supporting materials, which have not already been published on the Council's website, will be published as an appendix to the minutes of the meeting.

Any member of the site briefing who has a disclosable pecuniary interest (as set out in the Members Code of Conduct) or has formed a concluded view – in the application must disclose to the meeting the existence and nature of that interest. If a disclosable pecuniary interest or a concluded view is declared the Councillor must not take any part in the site briefing or vote on the recommendation regarding the site in question and must not be part of the meeting during the briefing.

Whilst the site briefing does not make a decision on an application or other planning matter, it is normal working practice for the briefing to make a recommendation to the Development Management Committee in one of the following forms

- a. To resolve, on the basis of the site briefing and information available at the time, that the site briefing does not wish to draw to the attention of the Development Management Committee any additional matters, OR
- b. To resolve on the basis of the site briefing and information available at the time, that the site briefing would wish that the Development Management Committee to consider the following matters in addition to those detailed in the Head of Planning report before making a decision:
 - 1. the need for additional information, and/or
 - 2. the need for additional conditions, and/or
 - 3. areas of concern arising from the site briefing

The Chairman will seek to secure a majority view as to the recommendation for the need or otherwise of additional matters being drawn to the attention of the Development Management Committee. If it is apparent that a majority cannot be obtained, he will recommend that the site briefing do not record a view.

Any Councillor interested in a matter on the agenda can attend the site briefing, in order to have a better understanding of a proposal in their own ward or one that is of Borough wide interest. However, other Councillors attending the site briefing will not be allowed to address the working party, other than to point out matters of fact, detail, local knowledge and history.

No recommendation of the site briefing to the Development Management Committee should be regarded as the final view of any Councillor as to how an application should be determined by the Committee.

The business to be transacted is set out below:

Monday, 24 May 2021

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| 1 Apologies | |
| 2 Minutes | 1 - 4 |
| To approve the minutes of the Site Viewing Working Party held on 22 April 2021 | |
| 3 Declarations of Interests | |
| 4 Site Visits | |
| 4a APP/20/00990 (East Hampshire District Council Ref 51680/001) - Havant Thicket, adjacent to Sir George Staunton Country Park, Reservoir and Pipe Line, Middle Park Way, Havant | |
| Proposal: Hybrid application seeking: | |
| 1) Full Planning permission for Development of a reservoir for raw water storage, A pumped storage reservoir, with the minimum required total storage capacity of 8,700 million litres (Ml), to support the planned bulk supply transfer of at least 21Ml/d in extreme (currently defined as 1:200 year) drought conditions; Construction of an earth embankment adjacent to Staunton Country Park ; Construction of an overflow discharge/spillway at the south-western side of the reservoir and associated works; Construction of a new junction on the B2149 Manor Lodge Road and a new junction on Swanmore Road. Provision of viewing areas on the southern | |

embankment and western edge of the reservoir.

- 2) Outline application for (matters to be considered outlined in Table 2.2 in the submitted Development Specification) control house partially incorporated within landscaped earth mounding adjacent to the south west embankment; together with provision of other earth embankments. Construction of a visitor centre / cafe, with storage areas and welfare facilities to the northwest of the reservoir to be used for recreational and education purposes; Provision of picnic area(s) and children's play area(s). Access routes from both junctions to the visitor car park; visitor car park comprising 193 car parking spaces and between 70 and 75 overflow spaces plus spaces for staff, coach/minibus and disabled drivers sited to the north west of the reservoir. Creation of a permanent wetland on the northern side of the reservoir and construction of bird watching hide/screen(s); recreational facilities for public amenity. Provision of perimeter tracks and a network of bridleways, cycle paths and footpaths; Construction of a slipway on the western bank of the reservoir for operational use only and a small section of the proposed pipeline (210m).

(for committee report and papers see the agenda for the Planning Committee to be held on 20 May 2021)

4b APP/20/00991 - Pipeline from Proposed Reservoir Site, Middle Park Way to land adjacent to, West Street, Havant

Proposal: Outline application for (matters to be considered outlined in Table 2.2 in the submitted Development Specification) development of a new pipeline to transfer water from Bedhampton Springs to fill the reservoir in the winter and draw it off to treat and supply when needed in the summer comprising: Construction of an underground, bi-directional pipeline linking the reservoir with the existing pumping station at Bedhampton; Emergency drawdown discharge structure at Hermitage Stream; Upgrades to existing culverts; Washout and air valve chambers (typically below ground)

(for report and papers see agenda for Planning Committee to be held on 20 May 2021)