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ODA PLANNING COMMITTEE

24 June 2008

SUBJECT: MINUTES OF 26th COMMITTEE MEETING
Held on 10 June 2008 at 18.30
Old Town Hall, Stratford, 29 Broadway, London E15 4BQ

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Present: 
Lorraine Baldry Chairman

Local Authority Members: 
Cllr Rofique Ahmed LB Tower Hamlets
Cllr Conor McAuley LB Newham
Cllr Geoff Taylor LB Hackney
Cllr Terry Wheeler LB Waltham Forest

Independent Members: 
Celia Carrington
William Hodgson
Janice Morphet
Dru Vesty

Officers in attendance: 
Vivienne Ramsey ODA, Head of Development Control
Anthony Hollingsworth ODA, Chief Planner Development Control
Catherine Sherwin ODA, Planning Decisions Team
Richard Griffiths ODA, Legal adviser, Planning Decisions Team, (Pinsent Masons)
Vanessa Brand ODA, Committee Secretary

1. APOLOGIES (AGENDA ITEM 1)

There were apologies from Mike Appleton and David Taylor who were unable to attend the meeting

2. UPDATES, ORDER OF BUSINESS, AND REQUESTS TO SPEAK (AGENDA ITEM 2)

2.1. There were no Updates

2.2. The order of business was unchanged.
2.3. There was a request to speak in relation to Item 5

- Jerome Frost, ODA
- Margaret Hickish, ODA

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
   (AGENDA ITEM 3)

3.1. The Secretary read the following statement:

   ‘Members of this Planning Committee need to declare personal interests
   relevant to the agenda at the beginning of each meeting of the Planning
   Committee.

   ‘Members will see that a revised paper for Item 3 has been laid on the table for
   item 3. It lists interests which they have declared which appear to be personal
   interests relating to Item 5

   ‘Would Members please confirm that the declarations of personal interests
   listed in the revised paper for Item 3 are correct; and state if there are any other
   interests you wish to declare?’

   ‘Personal interests are prejudicial if a reasonable member of the public with
   knowledge of the relevant facts would conclude that the nature of your personal
   interest is such that your judgement of the public interest is likely to be affected.
   If, by virtue of your personal interest you have been involved in decisions about
   these proposals, you may have a prejudicial interest. In that circumstance you
   would need to leave the meeting during the consideration of that item. In light
   of the agenda before you this evening, please state whether or not any of the
   interests declared are prejudicial interests?’

   Members confirmed that the personal interests read out were correct. None of
   these personal interests were considered prejudicial.

4. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING
   (AGENDA ITEM 4)

4.1. The Committee

   AGREED the Minutes of the 25th Planning Committee Meeting.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

5. PLANNING APPLICATION 08/900111/AODODA
   (AGENDA ITEM 5)
   Olympic Park Inclusive Access Strategy: discharge of condition OD.0.12 of
   planning permission reference number 07/90010/OUMODA

5.1. Jerome Frost and Margaret Hickish addressed the Committee explaining that
the Inclusive Design Strategy set out the policy for ensuring that inclusive
access had a wide definition aligned with the principles of design developed by
CABE. It was noted that as it was through design that inclusive access is
created, the Strategy was termed "Inclusive Design" rather than "Inclusive
Access." The Strategy was to apply in Legacy as well as for the Games.
Inclusive access was an area where standards were still being developed and were improving. ODA’s governance structure included an expert panel who were helping to develop solutions as design issues arose. The standards to be applied would therefore be reviewed and amended regularly to take account of such changes. Discussions about balancing different interests and the resulting mitigation as applied in the design of the venues and the Park were recorded so that the process would assist the development of standards. It is hoped that the good practice developed and applied for the Games would be applied nationally and internationally, thereby extending the legacy of the Games.

5.2. A Planning Officer referred Members to her conclusions at the end of her presentation and recommended that the Strategy should be approved and condition OD.0.12 should be discharged.

5.3. Members welcomed the Strategy and suggested that an introduction explaining its role and the legacy ambition should be added for publication. They noted that planning applications would include a statement about design setting out how the standards were met or the mitigations that had been accepted. The Committee could therefore be sure that the Strategy was being applied.

5.4. There being no further questions the Chairman moved to a vote and the Planning Committee RESOLVED unanimously that

5.5. The Committee

DISCHARGED condition OD.0.12 under planning reference 07/90010/OUOMODA

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6.1. The Chairman reported on the action taken in relation to an item recorded in the Minutes of 13 May 2008. On 22 April the Committee had considered an application for the construction of 2 road bridges over railway lines (item 5). The Committee had wanted condition 2 revised and a revised wording had been included in the Minutes of that meeting at para 5.6. On 13 May, however, when the Minutes of 22 April were discussed, it had been agreed that the wording of the condition as recorded in the Minutes did not express clearly the Committee’s concern (para 4.1). It had been agreed that the Head of Development Control would amend the wording of the condition.

6.2. The permission had, however, already been issued with the previous wording. The issue involved was the need to look carefully at the design of all the parapet and barrier elements and the transition from one element to another. The Head of Development Control was therefore writing to the applicant making clear what information will need to be submitted in order to comply with the condition and meet the Committee’s concerns.

6.3. The Committee noted the action taken.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7.10 pm

Signed: [Signature]
Chairman

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