

Southwell Civic Society

Minutes of Planning Meeting held at The Scypen, Halam on 30th July 2014

Declarations of interest: Peter Somerville, Item 9 - Friend of the applicant.

Applications considered:

1. Householder Application for construction of opening in garden wall (non boundary wall) and installation of a 1.8m timber gate. 9 Brook Walk, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0FN. Ref. No: 14/01067/FUL.

We have no objection to this application

2. Re-submission: Construction of two dwellings and attenuation pond. The Wilderness, Park Lane, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0QN. Ref. No: 14/01305/FUL.

This submission adds nothing to the previous application and we still strongly object to the proposal and support the District Council's reason for refusal of application 13/00679.

We would support the construction of a pond if it is part of a fully engineered flood alleviated scheme for the whole of Southwell supported by the Lead Flood Authority.

We would in no circumstances support the construction of the two dwellings.

3. Installation of an equipment cabinet. The Ropewalk, Southwell, Nottinghamshire.

Permitted Development. Unable to comment.

4. To replace existing grassed beer terrace to two areas adjacent to existing market place, with decorative brick paved beer patios. The Wheatsheaf, 47 King Street, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0EH. Ref. No: 14/01235/LBC.

We have no objections to the paving proposals in this application. However the design of the advertising banners should be submitted and approved before planning permission is given.

5. Householder application for extension to roof to form second floor bedrooms with en suite. 17 Wakeling Close, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0JF. Ref. No: 14/01194/FUL.

We strongly object to this application. The proposal is an incongruous addition to this property and is one of the most inappropriate extensions the Society has considered.

The proposal destroys the unspoilt character of the estate with its flat roof and the totally out of keeping large windows. The southwest elevation will be fully visible from the public footpath. The use of UPVC cladding is inconsistent with the traditional materials of the existing house.

The application is completely contrary to the recommendations in NSDC's "Supplementary Planning Document, Extensions to Dwellings" In particular Section 6 Visual Impact Clauses; 6.1 Scale and Form of Extension; 6.2 Roofs; 6.3 Materials; 6.4 Doorways and Windows and 6.5 Dormer Windows.

6. Householder application for the erection of double garage. Hall Farm, Westhorpe, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0NG. Ref. No: 14/01120/FUL.

We have no objection to this application

7. Erection of wedding gazebo. Norwood Hall, Halam Road, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0PF. Ref. No: 14/01065/FUL.

We have no objection to this application

8. Change of Use from A1 to A1 and *sui generis*. En Vogue, 18 Queen Street, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0AA. Ref. No: 14/01344/FUL.

We have no objections to the change of use.

We note that there is no application for the erection of the new sign.

We also note that the previous signs for En Vogue were erected without planning permission. The signs covered an earlier signboard which is much too large and dominant for the property.

En Vogue has moved to premises in King Street which was previously occupied by the Santander Bank. There appears to be no application for new signage.

9. Householder application for the erection of double garage. Hall Farm, Westhorpe, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0NG. Ref. No: 14/01120/FUL.

We have no objection to this application

10. Householder application for proposed basement conversion including formation of 2 No. window lightwells covered with steel grilles. 19 Station Road, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0ET. Ref. No: 14/00892/FUL.

We have no objection to this application

Draft Supplementary Planning Documents Consultation

The District Council is consulting on three Supplementary Planning Documents (SPDs). These are the Draft Householder Development SPD, the Draft Conversion of Traditional Rural Buildings SPD and the Draft Shopfronts and Advertisements Design Guide SPD. The consultation period will run from 28th July 2014 until 5:15pm on Monday 22nd September 2014.

The Committee decided to study these on the internet at their leisure. A meeting would be arranged at a future date to discuss the proposals.