



# Northampton UDA Planning Committee Minutes

## Committee Members present:

Councillor Chris Millar -  
Chair

John Weir

David Dickinson

Cllr Jean Hawkins

Cllr Don Edwards (sub)

## In attendance:

Adrian Arnold (AA) - Interim  
Director for Planning and  
Development

John Hill (JH) - Development  
Control Manager

Rhea Keehn – Governance,  
Policy and Communications  
Officer

This Public meeting was held on

27<sup>th</sup> October 2009

At

Heroes Lounge,  
Northampton Saints RFC,  
Franklins Gardens,  
Weedon Road  
Northampton  
NN5 5BG

Reference	Minutes	Action
	<p>The Chair opened the meeting at 6pm. He welcomed members of the public.</p> <p>Approximately 2 members of the public were present.</p>	
Item 1	<p><b><u>Item 1: Apologies</u></b></p> <p>Ann Tate, Cllr Penny Flavell, Nick Thompson and Cllr Sadik Chaudhury sent their apologies.</p>	
Item 2	<p><b><u>Item2: Declaration of interests</u></b></p> <p>None</p>	
Item 3	<p><b><u>Item 3: Minutes of the meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2009</u></b></p> <p>3.1 IT WAS AGREED: That the minutes of the meeting held in public on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2009 were a true and accurate record.</p>	
Item 4	<p><b><u>Item 4: Criminal Justice Centre</u></b></p> <p><b>Applicants:</b> Northamptonshire Police Authority</p> <p><b>Application No:</b> 08/0283/FULWNN</p> <p><b>Description:</b> Criminal Justice Centre within Use Class C2A with associated parking, landscaping and access.</p> <p><b>Address:</b> Land At Pavillion Drive, Northampton, Northamptonshire, NN4 7YL</p> <p><b>Ward:</b> Nene Valley</p> <p>4.1 The chair notes for the minutes this item will be presented to the next NAPC meeting.</p> <p>4.2 The next NAPC meeting will be held before the 20<sup>th</sup> November; the date of this meeting is yet to be determined.</p> <p>4.3 A decision will be taken at the next NAPC meeting for this item.</p>	

**Item 5 - 63 Gold Street**

**Applicant:** Mohammed Bablu

**Application No:** 09/0110/COUWNN

**Description:** Change of Use Part of the Second Floor from Snooker Centre (Use Class Sui Generis) to Taxi Office (Use Class Sui Generis).

**Address:** 63 Gold Street, Northampton NN1 1RA

**Ward:** Castle

- 5.1 John Hill introduced the application and update sheet (appendix A)
- 5.2 Discussion was had regarding limited parking. It was clarified to the committee that it will be used as a base to operate the taxi service.
- 5.3 The applicant has stated he will only use 2 cars for the 2 parking spaces. Concern was raised by the committee around the use of the taxi office regarding the following:
- 5.3.1 It may attract visitors of the taxi service to loiter by the office;
- 5.3.2 Taxis taking parking spaces on the road near other premises where there is already limited parking.
- 5.4 A 12 month period has been set by the Police and Licensing Officer to assess the use and determine whether any concerns are expressed.
- 5.5 If concerns are expressed then if the applicant re-applies in 12 months times, a decision will be made to re-determine the concerns before further authorisation can be given.
- 5.6 The chair asked whether the police objections regarding the potential of taxis to wait outside have been satisfied.
- 5.7 John Hill informed the committee that the police are not satisfied and have not withdrawn their objections but have agreed to the 12 month trial period.

	<p>5.8 John Hill advised the committee that should the applicant require further vehicles for the business he will have to seek parking space away from the application site.</p> <p>5.9 David Dickinson asked Mr. Bablu if he is content with the Polic making sure that his taxi firm does not become a nuisance within the 12 month trial period.</p> <p>5.10 Mr Bablu replied that he does not see this as a problem.</p> <p><b>IT WAS RESOLVED:</b></p> <p>That the application be <b>APPROVED</b> as per the officers' recommendation.</p>	
	<p>7. Future meeting dates were agreed to be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting before the 20<sup>th</sup> November- date to be determined.</li> <li>• 24<sup>th</sup> November 2009 - depending on Agenda items</li> <li>• 15<sup>th</sup> December 2009</li> </ul>	
	<p>8. AOB</p> <p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 6:15pm</p> <p>Rhea Keehn</p> <p>Governance, Policy and Communications Officer</p> <p><b>Signed by the Chairman</b></p> <hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: 0;"/>	