

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE
Council Chamber - Town Hall
16 May 2019 (7.30 - 9.00 pm)**

Present:

COUNCILLORS 8

Conservative Group	Ray Best, Dilip Patel (Chairman), Timothy Ryan and Maggie Themistocli
Residents' Group	Reg Whitney
Upminster & Cranham Residents' Group	Linda Hawthorn
Independent Residents Group	Graham Williamson
Labour Group	Keith Darvill

The Chairman reminded Members of the action to be taken in an emergency.

1 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

There were no disclosures of interest.

2 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 25 April 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3 P1292.15 - 23-55 NORTH STREET, ROMFORD, RM1 1BJ

Councillor Joshua Chapman addressed the Committee.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to **DEFER** consideration of the application to enable Officers to have further discussions with the applicant about the opportunity to refine the design approach to better reflect the context and history of the site in the Town Centre.

In bringing a report back to Committee, Members were keen to understand the proximity of the development to schemes which had already been approved, with specific focus upon light and anti-social behaviour. Members were also keen to understand the mechanics of the affordable housing offer and the provision itself.

The voting to defer consideration of the application was carried by six votes in favour to two abstentions. Councillors Darvill and Williamson abstained from voting.

4 **QUARTERLY PLANNING PERFORMANCE UPDATE**

The Committee considered the report and **NOTED** its contents.

Chairman