
PLANNING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 23rd March, 2022

Present: Councillor Dave Parkins (in the Chair), Councillors Judith Addison, Terry Hurn, Melissa Fisher, Kath Pratt, Susan Hayes, Mohammad Ayub, Diane Fielding, Peter Britcliffe, Loraine Cox and Munsif Dad BEM JP

Apologies: Councillors Eamonn Higgins, Kate Walsh, June Harrison, Sajid Mahmood and Caroline Montague

315 Apologies for Absence, Substitutions, Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Higgins, Mahmood, Harrison, Walsh and Montague.

The following representatives acted as substitutions during the period of the meeting:

Councillor Dad acted as substitute representative on behalf of Councillor Higgins
Councillor Britcliffe acted as substitute representative on behalf of Councillor Mahmood
Councillor Loraine Cox acted as substitute representative on behalf of Councillor Harrison.

Councillor Pratt expressed concern that Councillor Dad may have an interest in the planning application being considered by the Planning Committee in respect to his contact with the applicants of the planning application.

Councillor Dad declared a personal interest in the planning application 11/21/0552 – Land at Frontier Park, Blackburn Road, Knuzden, in respect of having held meetings with the applicants of the planning application but pointed out that this had not been in relation to this planning application. He also clarified that he did not play golf with the applicants. Councillor Dad consequently took part in the discussion and voting of the planning application.

No dispensations were declared at the meeting.

316 Minutes of the Last Meeting

The Minutes of the last Planning Committee held on the 23rd February, 2022 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

Resolved - **That the Minutes be received and approved as a correct record.**

317 Town and Country Planning Act 1990- Planning Applications for Determination

The Chief Planning and Transportation Officer submitted a report setting out recommended action in connection with the following application:

11/21/0552 – Land at Frontier Park, Blackburn Road, Knuzden. Full: Erection of 3 no. business units (Use Class E) and associated parking, access arrangements and landscaping (Retrospective)

An update sheet was circulated prior and made available at the meeting. The sheet provided comments from the lead Local Flood Authority with proposals for additional conditions. Minor amendments were also made to conditions 9 and 11. Due to the comments having been received from the Local Flood Authority the recommendations listed in the report had been amended to include the recommendations listed in the update sheet.

Note:

Matthew Wyatt (PWA Planning), the agent acting on behalf of the applicant, spoke in support of the application.

Mrs. Thornhill, resident of the area, spoke in objection to the planning application.

Councillor Marlene Haworth, Ward Councillor, spoke in objection to the planning application.

Objections related to the impact of the building on the visual amenity of local residents and the negative impacts of additional traffic, increased pollution and on the ecology of the area. They also objected to the process taken to approve the original planning application and a lack of enforcement taken to prevent the extension of the building and a disregard for planning conditions for which this planning application was submitted in retrospect.

A request was submitted to hold a recorded vote on the Officer's recommendation for approval of the planning application as followings:

In favour (6) – Councillors Parkins, Dad, Fisher, Fielding, Cox and Ayub
Against (5) – Councillors Addison, Pratt, Hayes, Britcliffe and Hurn

Resolved - **That planning permission be approved subject to the conditions set out in the report and the additional/amended conditions set out in the update sheet submitted prior to the meeting.**

Signed:.....

Date:

Chair of the meeting
At which the minutes were confirmed