
PLANNING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 19th July, 2023

Present: Councillor Judith Addison (in the Chair), Councillors Bernard Dawson, Susan Hayes, Terry Hurn (Vice Chair), Caroline Montague, Danny Cassidy, Peter Edwards, Scott Brerton, Steve Button, Dave Parkins, Heather Anderson, Munsif Dad BEM JP and Zak Khan

Apologies: Councillors Paul Cox, Kath Pratt and Abdul Khan

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

Apologies for absence were submitted for Councillor's Abdul Khan, Paul Cox and Kath Pratt.

Councillor Munsif Dad substituted for Councillor Abdul Khan.

Councillor Heather Anderson substituted for Councillor Paul Cox.

Councillor Zak Khan substituted for Councillor Kath Pratt.

The Chair, Councillor Judith Addison declared an interest in the item 11/23/0109 as she is a Licensed Lay Reader for the Church of England.

There were no dispensations declared at the meeting.

78 Minutes of the Last Meeting

The Minutes of the last Planning Committee held on the 22nd June 2023 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

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

Mr Prideaux to complete the action relating to Item 3B, to draft a letter on the Committee's behalf to LCC Highways.

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

The Chief Planning and Transportation Officer submitted a report setting out recommended action on the following Planning application.

3A. – 11/23/0109, St Charles Church, St Charles Road, Rishton, BB1 4HR

The application brought to Committee was not a Planning application it was an application for a prior approval under the General Permitted Development Order.

The application had been called in by Members of the Committee.

The application related to St Charles Church and the Presbytery, located on a rectangular plot of land between St Charles Road and Knowles Street. It is not a listed building or within a boundary of a conservation area. It is established within a residential area of Rishton but has been closed since 2020 and had not been used since.

An update sheet was issued at the start of the meeting with additional information on.

Mr Prideaux discussed the following points:

A request has been made to take down the boundary wall to allow vehicles to enter and leave the site. Planning have recommended the wall to be restored in its original condition once works have been completed within 1 month.

The applicant has advised the future use of the area will likely be used as an outdoor area by the school so would remain in community use.

A condition is in place to ensure that the trees on the site are protected during and after the demolition in the interest of local amenity.

A license will be completed by Natural England for the bat roost.

Resolved – That the prior approval of the Council is required and approved in respect of the method of demolition and the restoration of the site subject to the attached conditions.

- Mr Prideaux to liaise with the applicant and request the possibility of a peace garden to be place on the demolition grounds as a scared place for the community to visit and retain some history of the church using the artifax stained church windows.

N.B 1. Councillor Kate Walsh spoke on behalf of residents.

Signed:.....

Date:

Chair of the meeting
At which the minutes were confirmed