

Holme Valley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL PLANNING STANDING COMMITTEE HELD VIA THE ZOOM PLATFORM ON MONDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2020

Those present:

Chairman: Cllr M Blacka

Councillors: P Colling, RP Dixon, T Dixon, R Hogley, M Pogson

Officer: Mr R McGill (Deputy Clerk)

Welcome

Cllr Blacka welcomed Councillors to this virtual meeting of the new Planning Standing Committee.

Open Session at Planning

No members of public were present for the open session.

2021 88 Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 amended by the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014 on 6 August 2014

Council meetings can now be recorded.

RESOLVED: The Deputy Clerk was recording the meeting via the Zoom platform in audio and video formats for upload to YouTube.

2021 89 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr Gould said he would be late for the meeting and may not be able to attend.

Cllr Pogson had reported that he would be late; he joined the meeting at 1902hrs.

Cllr RP Dixon joined the meeting just after its start.

RESOLVED: The Committee approved the apologies.

2021 90 To receive Members' and Officers' personal and disclosable pecuniary interests in items on the agenda

Cllr Hogley declared a personal interest with regard to planning application 12 under agenda item 2021 95.

2021 91 To consider written requests for new DPI dispensations

No written requests for new DPI dispensations had been received.

2021 92 To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

RESOLVED: Members decided that no items on the agenda should be discussed in private.

2021 93 To confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 2 November 2020, numbered 2021 71 – 2021 87 inclusive were confirmed.

2021 94 Completed Planning Applications Lists

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NOTED:

The Planning Committee noted List 2021/08 updated with the views of the Committee.

2021 95 New Planning Applications – Kirklees Council

Members considered new or amended applications received by Kirklees Council from 26 October 2020 to 17 November 2020 inclusive – List 2021/09.

RESOLVED: That the Standing Committee’s comments on the above applications be forwarded to Kirklees Council by the Deputy Clerk.

[Cllr Pogson joined the meeting here]

2021 96 Kirklees Council – Planning Officers’ Decisions

NOTED: The Planning Standing Committee noted the list of Decision Notices issued by Kirklees Council for the period 26 October 2020 to 17 November 2020 inclusive.

2021 97 Neighbourhood Planning

Cllr Hogley reported that Holme Valley Parish Council Neighbourhood Development Plan had been greenlighted by Kirklees Council as meeting all statutory requirements and will now move on to the next stage to be reviewed by the independent Planning Examiner. The Neighbourhood Development Plan also now moves to its final phase of public consultation which is called Regulation 16 and is performed by the primary authorities. For 8 weeks from the 12th December the consultation allows people to give their comments which are then collated by Kirklees before being forwarded to the Examiner with the Plan and comment from Kirklees and the Peak District National Park Authority. The Examiner, on reviewing the documentation, can approve the plan, ask for changes or reject it entirely. The website will be updated with this new information, and articles will appear in the Holme Valley Review.

The Committee commended Cllr Hogley and the Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group for all their hard work.

2021 98 Peak District National Park Authority

NOTED: the Committee noted List 2021-04PD updated with the views of the Committee

NOTED: the Committee noted the list of Decision Notices issued by the Peak District National Park Authority for the period 26 October 2020 to 17 November 2020.

2021 99 Ways of working for the Planning Standing Committee

The Committee considered proposals from the Chair drafted in a discussion paper with the aim of adapting the ways of working of the Planning Standing Committee.

RESOLVED: The Committee voted to adopt a way of working whereby a standard reply of “No observation; support the decisions of Kirklees officers” was given for three types of applications, - 1) Listed Building Consents, 2) Discharges of Conditions, 3) Tree Preservation Orders (but also note our NDP Policy 2 Point 3 in which we stress the importance of significant trees).

RESOLVED: The Committee voted to look again at modifying the Planning Committee’s ways of working in 6 months’ time.

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2021 100 Kirklees Council Consultation on Supplementary Planning Documents

Cllr Hogley reported that the consultation period had been extended to 14th December. Cllr Gould had been working on a response. Cllr Hogley suggested that the response should, if possible, be considered at the next meeting of the Planning Committee, also on 14 December.

RESOLVED: The Deputy Clerk to contact Kirklees Council regarding the submission deadline of the Parish Council's response to the consultation to ask if we could submit one day later than the advertised deadline.

RESOLVED: Cllr Blacka to get in touch with Cllr Gould about drawing together the Committee's response on behalf of the Parish Council.

2021 101 Issue with shop frontage

NOTED: The Committee noted the Deputy Clerk's letter of complaint to Mathias Franklin, Kirklees Head of Planning and Development.

NOTED: The Deputy Clerk reported that he had received a response from Kirklees Planning. He had been informed that two enforcement notices requesting further information from the shops had been issued, and a full report was pending from the enforcement officer allocated these cases.

2021 102 Application to divert a footpath Wolfstones

NOTED: The Committee noted that Kirklees Council had voted to maintain its objection to the proposed amendment to Footpath 60 Wolfstones at the Council meeting 9 November 2020, and the Council Chairman has received another letter from the agent for the applicant.

2021 103 Upper Graveyard of Lane United Reformed Church

NOTED: The Committee noted that the Deputy Clerk had emailed a local resident who had raised the issue of access to the former graveyard of the Lane United Reformed Church informing her that the issue is not a Council matter as per YLCA advice.

2021 104 Revocation of Kirklees Council Huddersfield Town Centre Blueprint Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

NOTED: The Committee noted the letter from Mathias Franklin Head of Planning and Development explaining the notice of revocation.

2021 105 Planning Standing Committee Budget 2021-22

RESOLVED: The Planning Standing Committee voted to request a similar budget to the current year given that the next stage of the Neighbourhood Development Plan would benefit from expenditure on publicity encouraging people to engage with the consultation and subsequent referendum.

The meeting closed at 7.50PM.

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Chairman