

Holme Valley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 21 AUGUST 2006 -

Those present :

Chairman : Cllr Mrs J Spencer

Councillors : Cllr M Bower, Cllr Mrs R Bratt, Cllr G Christofi, Cllr R P Dixon, Cllr R Oldfield, Cllr Mrs J M Osborn, Cllr Mrs J Roberts, Cllr P Robinson, Cllr P J Rodgers, Cllr Mrs H L Rodgers

Non Councillors : Mr S Hunter

Officers : Mrs E Hirst

Open Session at Planning

4 Members of the public were present. All were in connection with Planning Application 2006/48/93072/W3 (Use of land to operate a general market - Towngate car park, Holmfirth). Three of those present addressed the Members of the Committee and outlined their objections to the proposal. The comments put to the Members were noted and would be taken into account when considering the planning application at item 8(2).

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Chilton, Firth, Mrs. Hall, Haynes, Mrs. Hobson, Mrs. Jackson, Kaye, Searby and Mrs. Smith.

06 52 Admission of the Public

It was agreed that no items required to be taken in private session.

06 53 Disclosure of Interests

Cllr. G. Christofi declared a personal interest in Planning Application 2006/48/93072/W3. He signed the book and left the meeting during discussion of the planning application.

06 54 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on 31 July 2006 numbered 06 40 - 06 51 be adopted as a true record of the meeting.

06 55 Completed planning lists

RESOLVED: That the Completed Planning Lists dated 31 July 2006 numbered 28/2006 and 29/2006 be confirmed.

06 56 Correspondence arising from the Minutes

1) Section 106 Agreements - letter of acknowledgement: Members were informed that Kirklees MC had acknowledged receipt of the Parish Council's letter in this matter and that the letter had been passed to the appropriate Officer for reply. This was noted.

(2) An email had been received which indicated that in future there would be a new requirement for Design and Access statements to be submitted with certain types of application. This was noted.

06 57 Planning Applications - Kirklees M.C.

(1) It was proposed and seconded that item (14) on the List of Planning Applications to be Considered be given priority in the order and taken first. The comments made by the Council are as on the detailed list at item 14.

4 Members of the public left the meeting at this point.

(2) Consideration was given to Planning Applications relating to the Holme Valley from Lists 30/2006

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(no Holme Valley planning applications on this list), 31/2006 and 32/2006.

RESOLVED: That the observations as contained in the detailed lists be forwarded to Kirklees MC.

(3) Deferred at previous meeting - 2006/60/925515/W3 - Mrs. S. Fisher - Outline application for erection of one detached dwelling - Plot 4 Marsh Platt Lane, Honley: The Deputy Clerk reported that the above application had been withdrawn. This was noted.

06 58 Kirklees MC - Officers Decisions

RESOLVED: That Lists 30/2006, 31/2006 and 32/2006 be received and noted.

06 59 Administrative Matters

Planning Committee - long term projects - to consider the aims and objectives of the Planning Committee: Members were asked to consider projects in the longer term. As part of the discussion Members agreed that the Council should consider formulating a Design Statement which could contain the policies of the Council.

RESOLVED: That in the first instance the Deputy Clerk obtain further information and that when this is available it be discussed further with the view to setting up a Working Party to move the project on.

06 60 Appeals

Decision Notices - Planning Inspectorate

2005/60/93152/W3 - Mrs. Morrison and Mr. Hill - Site at Hilcote, Horn Lane, New Mill - Appeal allowed and planning permission granted subject to conditions:

RESOLVED: That the Decision Notice be received and noted.

06 61 Peak National Park

a) NP/K/0506/0501 - Centre for Atmospheric Science - Replacement of existing wooden science cabin with new steel walled cabin - Holme Moss Transmitting Station - permission granted.

RESOLVED: That the Decision Notice be received and noted.

b) NP/K/0806/0707 - Mrs.E. Knight - Detached garages and necessary excavation and retaining walls - Meal Hill Farm, Meal Hill Road, Holme: Members considered this application and agreed that it could support the proposal.

RESOLVED: That a comment along the above lines be forwarded to the Peak District NPA.

06 62 Footpaths

Application for Definitive Map Modification Order: Addition of Public Footpath from Old Turnpike to Woodhead Road, Honley: Members considered a letter and plan received from Kirklees MC. It was claimed this footpath had been used for 20 years and for this reason it was proposed to add it to the definitive map. The local Ward Members indicated that the previous landlord of the Jacobs Well had had the footpath closed as he had encountered insurance problems. However, if it was the wish to reopen it, the Parish Council wished to raise various issues for consideration by Kirklees MC. These were -

- 1) the footpath is extremely steep and overgrown - vegetation would require cutting back
- 2) there are a series of steps which are very badly worn - these would need turning and the railings replacing and fixing
- 3) there is a locked door near the entrance to the public house
- 4) a planning application has been passed for houses on adjacent land
- 5) the footpath should be given to Kirklees MC so it is entirely its responsibility in the future

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council agrees to the principle of the footpath being re-opened subject to Kirklees MC taking over the responsibility for it and provided all the necessary works are carried out to bring the footpath up to a suitable standard bearing in mind the safety of those using it. If this is not possible then the Parish Council would not be in favour of the footpath being re-opened.

06 63 Freedom of Information Act 2000

RESOLVED: That, under the Council's Publication Scheme, supporting papers for any item within the public session of the meeting be made available, if requested after approval of the Minutes by the full Council.

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Chairman