

Holme Valley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 04 FEBRUARY 2008 -

Those present :

Chairman : Cllr Mrs J Roberts

Vice-Chairman : Cllr J G Cropper

Councillors : Cllr L Bailey, Cllr T Bellamy, Cllr M Bower, Cllr Mrs R Bratt, Cllr G Christofi, Cllr T Dearnley, Cllr T W Dixon, Cllr R P Dixon, Cllr J M Greenwood, Cllr Mrs D Hall, Cllr R Oldfield, Cllr Mrs J M Osborn, Cllr P D Searby, Cllr B A Smith, Cllr Mrs B E Smith, Cllr M A Walker

Non Councillors : Mr S Hunter

Officers : Mrs MA Bewick, Mrs E Hirst

4 members of the public were present.

At the commencement of the meeting the Deputy Clerk informed Members of a public consultation event to be held at Hinchliffe Mill J & I School on Monday 11 February 2008 - 4.00 - 7.30 pm. This was in connection with the proposed works to Ramsden Road.

Open Session at Planning

3 members of the public were present to address members regarding specific applications. These were -

2008/62/90156/W3 - conversion of existing convenience store to include A3 and A5 units - 13-15 Westgate, Honley

2008/62/90275/W3 - change of use and alterations to convert existing dwelling into 2 apartments - 2 Concord Street, Honley

Two members of the public addressed the meeting with regard to the above applications. The comments made would be taken into account when considering the applications later on the agenda.

Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Kaye.

07 139 Admission of the Public

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

07 140 Disclosure of Interests

Members declared interests in planning applications, as follows -

Councillor Mrs. Bower and Oldfield - 2007/62/95263/W3 - Honley Liberal Club - personal
2007/62/90203/W3 - 69 Stoney Lane, Honley - personal

Councillor R.P. Dixon and T. Dixon - 2007/62/95300/W3 - Little Law Farm - prejudicial and personal
Councillor Mrs. Hall - 2008/62/90139/W3 - Scarr Top, Sude Hill, New Mill - personal

Members withdrew from the meeting, as appropriate, or by choice.

07 141 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2008 numbered 07 127 - 07 138 be confirmed and adopted as a true record of the meeting.

07 142 Completed planning lists

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RESOLVED: That the Completed Planning Lists dated 9 January 2008 numbered 51/2007 and 52/2007 be confirmed.

07 143 Correspondence arising from the Minutes

The Deputy Clerk indicated a letter had been received from E-on UK regarding wind farms. This indicated arrangements had been made to hold a Public Exhibition at Crowedge Community Centre on 12 February 2008 between the hours of 12.30 pm and 7.30 pm. Members noted this information.

07 144 Planning Applications - Kirklees M.C.

It was proposed and seconded that items 30, 31 and 35 be taken first in priority order. Items where declarations of interest had been indicated were taken second in priority. This was RESOLVED.

1) Consideration was given to planning applications relative to the Holme Valley from Lists 1/2008, 2/2008, 3/2008 and 4/2008.

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

2) 2007/62/92610/W3 - Glade Dale (Yorkshire) Ltd - Erection of 30 no. apartments and 17 houses with associated hard and soft landscaping - site of Fearnought Works, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth. Consideration of this item had been deferred by Kirklees Council at the last meeting to enable the Officer concerned to make a comment. Members considered the details, as submitted. The comment made by the Parish Council is included at item (1) on the detailed lists.

RESOLVED: That the observations be forwarded to Kirklees Council.

07 145 Kirklees MC - Officers Decisions

RESOLVED: That Lists 1/2008, 02/2008, 03/2008 and 04/2008 be received and noted.

07 146 Planning matters

1) Planning Application Validation Checklists - Consultation - Kirklees Council: Members had been circulated with information from Kirklees Council. This indicated the Government was to introduce a series of standard planning application forms and comments on such forms were invited.

RESOLVED: That no comment be made.

2) Public Inquiry - Mottram/Tintwistle Bypass: Members had been circulated with a copy of a letter from Persona Associates. This indicated the above Inquiry had been adjourned indefinitely. The Council would be informed when the Inspector has set a date for the resumption of it. This information was noted.

3) Natural England - Seminar - 7 February 2008 - Nottingham Racecourse: Details of this Seminar had been circulated to Members. No representative was appointed on this occasion.

4) Defra - Ways to Tackle Climate Change - extract from booklet: Members had been circulated with an extract from the above booklet. A suggestion was made that in an effort to tackle climate change the Parish Council should request that where say 4 or 5 houses are proposed in a group, some provision should be made to incorporate renewable energy production equipment, eg solar panels, rain water collection equipment, insulation etc. to counteract climate change.

RESOLVED: That the above proposal be forwarded to Kirklees Council with a request that it implements it into any future planning applications for groups of houses in the Holme Valley area. (Councillors Dixon and Cropper abstained from voting).

07 147 Naming of New Streets

Street names had been requested by Kirklees Council in respect of the following new developments -

- 1) Development off White Wells Road, Scholes
- 2) Development off Cooper Lane, Holmfirth
- 3) Development off Laithe Bank Drive, Holmbridge

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RESOLVED: That the following names be forwarded to Kirklees Council -

- 1) White Wells Road - Monument View
- 2) Cooper Lane - Cooper Close
- 3) Laithe Bank Drive - Bridge View

07 148 Peak National Park

1) Peak Park Parishes Annual Planning Liaison Meeting - 4 July 2007: Members had been circulated with the notes of the above meeting.

RESOLVED: That the notes be received.

2) Consultation on new Procedures for the Validation of Planning Applications - letter from PDNPA: A letter had been received which was in similar terms to that of Kirklees Council on the same subject. The Government were proposed standard planning application forms through the country and comments on this proposal were invited.

RESOLVED: That no comment be made.

07 149 Representation

Windfarms - Combined Members Meeting: One Member had attended this meeting. The meeting had been quite informative but there was a strong feeling of opposition to wind turbines in the Dunford Parish area. Further meetings would be held in the future and the Parish Council would be informed accordingly.

RESOLVED: That Cllr. Cropper be thanked for his attendance.

07 150 Date of next meeting

RESOLVED: That a Planning Committee Meeting held on 28 April 2008.

07 151 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