

Holme Valley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 08 OCTOBER 2007 -

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 C M Kaye, Cllr R Oldfield, Cllr Mrs J M Osborn, Cllr B A Smith, Cllr Mrs B E Smith, Cllr M A Walker

Non Councillors : Mr S Hunter

Officers : Mrs E Hirst

4 members of the public were present.

Open Session at Planning

Members of the public were present in connection with the following applications -

2007/62/93886/W3 - Lunn Healthcare - Erection of dental surgery and formation of car park - land at Oaklands Health Centre;

2007/62/93889/W3 - Genex Investments - Change of use of upper second floor of former supermarket - Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth

2007/63/93942/W3 - Kirklees Council - Renewal of previous permission for general open market on Sundays - Towngate car park, Holmfirth

Both members of the public addressed the Members of the Planning Committee. The comments made would be taken into account when considering the planning applications at item 6 on the agenda.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were accepted from Councillors Searby and Kath Smith.

At the commencement of the meeting, due to the late arrival of Councillor Cropper, it was proposed and seconded that Councillor Mrs. Osborn take the Vice-Chairman's chair.

07 82 Admission of the Public

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

07 83 Disclosure of Interests

Councillor G. Christofi declared a personal interest in Planning Applications 2007/62/93889/W3 and 2007/63/93942/W3.

Councillor G. Cropper declared a prejudicial interest in Planning Application 2007/62/93950/W3. He signed the book and left the meeting during discussion of the item. He also declared a personal interest in item 7 (Public Footpath 71) on the agenda and left the meeting during discussion of the item.

07 84 Planning Applications - Kirklees M.C.

Consideration was given to Planning Applications relating to the Holme Valley from Lists 38/2007, 39/2007 and 40/2007.

It was proposed and seconded that items 11 (Oaklands), 12 (former Lodges Supermarket, Holmfirth) and 23 (Open market at Towngate car park, Holmfirth) should be taken first in priority order. This was RESOLVED.

Comments, as included in the detailed lists at the above item numbers, were made. Two members of

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the public left the meeting after consideration of the above plans.

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

In connection with Planning Application 2007/63/93942/W3 (renewal of previous permission for use of land to operate a general open market (within a CA) on Sundays at Towngate car park, Towngate, Holmfirth) Members expressed concerns about the poor quality of stalls at the market and that Kirklees Council should encourage a greater variety of stalls. This view would be expressed to the appropriate Service at Kirklees Council.

07 85 Kirklees MC - Officers Decisions

RESOLVED: That Lists 38/2007, 39/2007 and 40/2007 be received and noted.

07 86 Footpaths

Public Footpath 71 - Midgley Barn, Uppershong (Part) - Public Path Diversion Order 2007: This matter had been deferred at the previous meeting. Comments were required at Kirklees Council by 12 October 2007. Concerns were expressed by Councillors that any change to the line of this footpath would be detrimental to it and that it should remain unaltered for the benefit of local people and for the enjoyment of walkers in the area.

RESOLVED: That the comments, as detailed above, be forwarded to Kirklees Council within the due date.

Councillor G. Cropper had declared a personal interest in the above matter; he signed the book and left the meeting during discussion of the item.

07 87 Planning matters

(1) Public Inquiry: Mottram/Tintwistle Bypass and the Glossop Spur - New evidence to be submitted by the Highways Agency and by Tameside Council:

Members had been circulated with further information from Persona Associates. This had implications for the Parish Council in terms of Hearing dates.

RESOLVED: That the information be noted and that the Deputy Clerk makes further enquiries.

(2) Holme & Ribble Compensation Flow Trial - information re spate flows to the Rivers Holme and Ribble - Yorkshire Water: Information regarding this matter had been circulated to all Members.

RESOLVED: That the information be noted.

(3) Windfarms - request for joint meeting with other Parishes re impact of windfarms on surrounding area: The Deputy Clerk informed Members that an approach had been made by Dunford Parish Council for a joint meeting with other Parishes to discuss the implications of proposed windfarms in its area and surrounding Parishes. It asked for representatives to attend a meeting to discuss the matter further.

RESOLVED: That Councillors G. Cropper and R.P. Dixon be appointed as the Parish Council's representatives to attend meetings.

(4) NP/K/00707/0682 - Proposed erection of canvas awning to side of public house - The Fleece Inn, Holme: Members noted a communication from the Peak District NPA which indicated the above application had been withdrawn.

07 88 Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

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Chairman