

Holme Valley Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 12 MAY 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 R Oldfield, Cllr Mrs J M Osborn, Cllr P D Searby, Cllr B A Smith, Cllr M A Walker

Non Councillors : Mr S Hunter

Officers : Mrs S S Barber, Mrs MA Bewick

Cllr D M Firth was present as an observer.

Open Session at Planning

6 members of the public were present.

Cllr Cropper exercised his right under Paragraph 12(2) of the Council's Code of Conduct to address the meeting as a member of the public. He presented information about Planning Application 2008/62/90805/W3 - Demolition of existing piggery and erection of new dwelling (Unit 1), change of use, extension and alterations to convert existing barn to dwelling (Unit 4) and erection of extension to existing farm cottage (Unit 2) (Listed Building) - New Close Farm, Wickens Lane, Upperthong, Holmfirth HD9 3RB.

Two members of the public were present to address Members regarding a specific application: 2008/60/91252/W3 - Outline application for erection of three dwellings - 76E Station Road, Holmfirth.

One member of the public was present to address Members regarding a specific application: 2008/62/91470/W3 - Change of use and alterations to convert existing dwelling into 2 no. apartments (within a Conservation Area) - 2 Concord Street, Honley, Holmfirth HD9 6AE.

The comments made would be taken into account when considering the applications later on the agenda.

To accept Apologies for Absence

Apologies were accepted from Cllr T Dearnley (for his late arrival), Cllr C M Kaye and Cllr Mrs B E Smith.

07 196 To consider whether items on the agenda should be discussed in private session

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

07 197 To receive Members' declarations of interest in items on the agenda

Members declared interests in planning applications, as follows:

Cllr Mrs M Bower - 2008/62/91469/W3 - Honley Liberal Club, Cuckoo Lane, Honley - personal

Cllr G Christofi - 2008/62/91254/W3 - The Studio Flat Garden, Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth - prejudicial

Cllr G Cropper - 2008/62/90805/W3 - New Close Farm, Wickens Lane, Upperthong, Holmfirth - prejudicial

Cllr R Oldfield - 2008/62/91469/W3 - Honley Liberal Club, Cuckoo Lane, Honley - personal

Cllr Cropper also declared a prejudicial interest in Agenda Item 7 (Footpaths) - Public footpath Holmfirth 71 (part) - New Close Farm, Wickens Lane, Upperthong.

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Members withdrew from the meeting, as appropriate.

07 198 Planning Applications - Kirklees M.C.

It was proposed and seconded that items 1, 2 and 15 of the planning list for consideration be taken first in priority order. This was so RESOLVED.

Cllr G Cropper withdrew from the meeting during consideration of item 1 on the list.

Cllr G Christofi withdrew from the meeting during consideration of item 3 on the list.

Consideration was given to planning applications relative to the Holme Valley from Lists 16/2008, 17/2008 and 18/2008.

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

Members considered the following applications which had been deferred at a previous meeting -

- 2008/62/90784/W3 - Mr & Mrs R Hough - Erection of extensions and alterations (Listed Building within a Conservation Area) - Virginia House, 7 Sandbeds, Honley, Holmfirth HD9 6RD
- 2008/62/91364/W3 - K Ellis - Erection of 3 no. houses linked by garages - 15 & 16 Dean Brook Road, Netherthong
- 2008/62/91372/W3 - Jaguar Estates - Change of Use of Unit 1 from A1 (Shops) to A2 (Financial and Professional Services) - Unit 1, 71 Huddersfield Road, Holmfirth HD9 2AZ

The comments on the above applications are included at items 1, 2 and 3 on the attached planning lists.

RESOLVED: That the above observations be forwarded to Kirklees Council.

07 199 Kirklees MC - Officers Decisions

RESOLVED: That Lists 16/2008, 17/2008 and 18/2008 be received and noted.

07 200 Footpaths

Correspondence from Kirklees Council on the proposed diversion of public footpath Holmfirth 71 (part) - New Close Farm, Wickens Lane, Upperthong was noted. Cllr Cropper left the Meeting during this item.

Members considered this diversion to be an improvement and that the proposal should be accepted.

RESOLVED: That the comments, as detailed above, be forwarded to Kirklees Council by the due date of 16 May 2008.

07 201 Freedom of Information Act 2000 - to agree what information will be made available to the public

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