

# Holme Valley Parish Council

## MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 20 APRIL 2009 -

Those present :

Chairman : Cllr Mrs J Roberts

Vice-Chairman : Cllr Mrs D Hall

Councillors : Cllr T Bellamy, Cllr M Bower, Cllr Mrs R Bratt, Cllr G Christofi, Cllr J G Cropper, Cllr T Dearnley, Cllr R P Dixon, Cllr T W Dixon, Cllr P S Hirst, Cllr C M Kaye, Cllr Mrs J M Osborn, Cllr A R Otterburn, Cllr P D Searby, Cllr M A Walker

Officers : Mrs S S Barber, Mrs MA Bewick

### **Open Session at Planning**

18 members of the public were present but none wished to address Members on planning applications.

#### **08 282 To accept Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Bailey, Firth and B A Smith.

Cllr Otterburn was present as an observer.

Mr Peter Flack and Mr Chris Bowden of CE Electric were in attendance to address the meeting.

#### **08 283 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.

#### **08 284 To receive Members' declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

None were declared.

#### **08 285 Speakers at meetings**

Mr Peter Flack and Mr Chris Bowden of CE Electric were in attendance to inform members of forthcoming major repair works in the Netherthong and Honley areas. The scheme would involve the installation of 1,000m of cable in Honley, equipment on poles and a reconfiguration of the system in Honley and Netherthong. The works were expected to take place during the summer, completed by autumn and then further works next year as necessary.

CE Electric apologised for the problems being experienced by some residents, but it was hoped that the scheme of works would result in 80% of connections being remade automatically when a fault was recorded. CE Electric would provide details of the specific road closures and dates when known and offered to put on a roadshow in the location to advise local residents. As part of the New Roads and Street Works Act 1991, CE Electric will liaise with other utility companies to ensure that multiple excavations take place to ensure minimal disruption.

Members thanked Mr Flack and Mr Bowden for their attendance at the meeting.

#### **08 286 Speakers at meetings**

Members were reminded once again by the Chairman of the Committee of the need to listen to the information being offered, whilst maintaining an open mind.

Individuals and representatives of the 'Holmfirth against Tesco' group were in attendance and three representatives of this group addressed Members; one individual trader also addressed the meeting.

In giving everyone a chance to voice their own opinions, whether for or against the proposed development, the Parish Council had received a large number of emails, visitors and telephone calls. Members were given an indicative summary of these responses including the main issues/concerns/reasons for support. Any material considerations (i.e. valid planning reasons for an

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application to be rejected or approved) put forward would be considered by Members in due course, once an application has been submitted by Tesco.

### **08 287 To confirm the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 30 March 2009 numbered 08 267 - 08 281 inclusive be confirmed and adopted as a true record of the meeting.

### **08 288 Completed planning lists**

RESOLVED: That the Completed Lists dated 30 March 2009, numbered 11/2009 and 12/2009 be confirmed.

### **08 289 Correspondence arising from the Minutes**

Nothing to report.

### **08 290 Planning Applications - Kirklees M.C.**

(1) Consideration was given to planning applications relative to the Holme Valley from Lists 13/2009, 14/2009 and 15/2009, together with one application from list 09/2009 and one application from list 11/2009, both deferred from the last meeting awaiting Kirklees Council comments.

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

2008/62/94148/W3 - Fortis Homes Ltd - Erection of two detached dwellings with integral garage, formation of access road and associated works - Former site of M Littlewood Garage, Station Road, Holmfirth - An amended application had been brought to the Parish Council's attention on the day of the meeting, for further comment. However, due to the inavailability of full size plans and comments from Kirklees Council, it was agreed to defer consideration of the amended application to the next meeting. Due to the consultation deadline, the Officer was asked to request an extension to allow this deferment.

(2) Peak District National Park Authority (PDNPA) - Riding Wood Reservoir - Application Code NP/K/0309/0197 - Provision of new spillway channel, new overflow weir and tumble structure and new vehicle bridge on Kiln Bent Road: Members considered the scheme of works proposed to be carried out. Main concerns were the felling of trees near to the spillway and the visually intrusive concrete walls (as seen on the scheme already carried out at Ramsden Reservoir). However, Members were aware that Yorkshire Water were consulting with the PDNPA and were satisfied with the necessity for the works and the improvements being planned, to ensure that the works are less visually intrusive.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk should submit the above comments by the due date of 23 April 2009.

### **08 291 Kirklees MC - Officers Decisions**

RESOLVED: That Lists 13/2009, 14/2009 and 15/2009 be received and noted.

### **08 292 Appeals**

Planning Appeal APP/Z4718/A/08/2091809 - The Planning Inspectorate - by Mr James Osbourne - Site at 5 Cross Heights Farm, Cross Lane, Scholes HD9 1SL - Members noted the Inspector's decision to dismiss this appeal.

RESOLVED: That the above be noted.

### **08 293 Consultation**

(1) Local Development Framework - Members noted Kirklees Council's extension of consultation period until 17 April 2009, and acknowledgement of receipt of Parish Council's submission.

(2) Minerals and Waste Core Strategy Development Plan - Correspondence from Derbyshire County Council was considered but Members wished to make no comment.

(3) West Yorkshire Conservation Areas at risk? - Members noted the press notice published by English Heritage.

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(4) Mottram/Tintwistle Bypass and Glossop Spur Public Inquiry - Members noted correspondence from Persona Associates regarding the possible closure of the Inquiry.

(5) Planning Consultation - Denby Dale Parish Council - Members noted the application for a five-turbine wind farm proposed for the Penistone area.

RESOLVED: That the above be noted.

**08 294 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.

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**Chairman**