

Minutes of **Planning Committee** 

Thursday, 9 November 2023 Meeting date

**Members present:** Councillors Caleb Tomlinson (Chair), Elaine Stringfellow (Vice-

Chair), Will Adams, Matthew Farnworth, Mary Green,

Peter Mullineaux, David Shaw, Phil Smith, Kath Unsworth and

Haydn Williams

Officers: Dave Whelan (Head of Legal and Procurement), Catherine

> Thomas (Planning Manager), Debbie Roberts (Development Planning Team Leader), Chris Sowerby (Development Planning Team Leader), Janice Crook (Senior Planning Officer), Lisa Matthewson (Senior Planning Officer), Georgia Smith

(Graduate (Planning Policy)) and Ben Storey (Democratic and

Member Services Officer)

Other members: Councillors Keith Martin, James Flannery, Connor Watson,

David Howarth, Angela Turner and attending virtually

Councillors Margaret Smith and Karen Walton.

16 Public:

#### 162 Welcome and Introduction

The Chair, Councillor Caleb Tomlinson, welcomed members of the public to the meeting, introduced the committee and explained that the meeting was being livestreamed to YouTube.

#### 163 Apologies for Absence

No apologies were received.

#### 164 Declarations of Interest

No interests were declared.

## 165 Minutes of meeting Thursday, 5 October 2023 of Planning Committee

#### Resolved: (Unanimously)

That the minutes of the last meeting, held on Thursday 5 October 2023, be signed by the Chair as an accurate record.

#### 166 Appeal Decisions

The Planning Manager confirmed that there was no appeal decisions to report.

#### 167 07/2023/00286/FUL - Hurt Plant Hire Ltd, Lancashire Enterprise Business

### Park, Farington

With agreement of the Chair, applications 6 & 7 were moved further down the agenda to allow later applications with a number of registered speakers to be heard earlier in the meeting.

Registered speakers: None

Address: Hurt Plant Hire Ltd

Red Rose Drive

Lancashire Enterprise Business Park

Farington

Applicant: Hurt Plant Hire Ltd

Agent: Mr Martin Smith

Clover Architectural Design Ltd

Development: Proposed new workshop building, new weighbridge, relocated wheel wash facility, new asphalt plant and associated aggregate storage bays, new concrete plant and new site entrance. Demolition of existing wind turbine structure.

The officer's recommendation to approve the application, subject to conditions was proposed by Councillor Will Adams and seconded by Councillor Haydn Williams.

It was subsequently;

Resolved: (Unanimously)

that the application be approved, subject to conditions outlined within the officer's report.

#### 168 07/2023/00559/FUL - 2 Churchill Way, Leyland

With agreement of the Chair, applications 6 & 7 were moved further down the agenda to allow later applications with a number of registered speakers to be heard earlier in the meeting.

Registered speakers: None

Address: 2 Churchill Way

Leyland Lancashire PR25 3LZ

Applicant: B&M Retail Ltd

Agent: Mr Mark Wood

12 The Glenmore Centre

Jessop Court

Waterwells Business Park Gloucester GL2 2AP Development: Change of use from Class E(a) to hot food takeaway (sui generis), installation of new shop front, installation of ventilation and extraction equipment.

The officer's recommendation to approve the application, subject to conditions was proposed by Councillor Will Adams and seconded by Councillor Matthew Farnworth.

It was subsequently;

#### Resolved: (Unanimously)

that the application be approved, subject to conditions outlined within the officer's report.

#### 169 07/2023/00718/REM - Land Off Shaw Brook Road and Altcar Lane, Leyland

Councillor Will Adams arrived at 6.10pm and did not participate in the debate.

Registered speakers: the applicant.

Address: Land of Shaw Brook Road and Altcar Lane

Leyland Lancashire

Applicant: Redrow Homes Limited

Development: Reserved Matters application (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for the erection of 154 dwellings on phases 4 and 5 including a surface water drainage scheme pursuant to condition 6 of outline planning permission 07/2016/0591/OUT.

The officer's recommendation to approve the application, subject to conditions was proposed by Councillor Phil Smith and seconded by Councillor Matthew Farnworth.

It was subsequently;

Resolved: (For: 9 Abstain: 1)

that the application be approved, subject to conditions outlined within the officer's report.

#### 170 07/2023/00698/VAR - Gin Jar Ale, 14 Liverpool Road, Penwortham

Registered speakers: four supporters, Councillors David Howarth and James Flannery and the applicant.

Address: 14 Liverpool Road

Penwortham Lancashire PR1 0AD

Applicant: Gin Jar Ale Ltd

Development: Variation of conditions 9 and 10 of planning permission 07/2019/7949/FUL as varied by 07/2020/00584/VAR to allow for the external seating area to be used until 22:00hrs.

An amendment to approve the application, against the officers' recommendation, was proposed by Councillor Haydn Williams and seconded by Councillor Will Adams on the grounds that the development would not result in a significant impact on residential amenity for occupants of nearby properties and the economic benefits of extending the hours of use of the external seating area would outweigh any limited harm to amenity arising from additional noise and disturbance.

It was subsequently;

### Resolved: (Unanimously)

that the application be approved, against officer's recommendation, to vary conditions of planning permission 07/2019/7949/FUL.

#### 171 07/2023/00685/VAR - Fairham Gin, 14b Liverpool Road, Penwortham

Registered speakers: four supporters, Councillors David Howarth and James Flannery and the applicant.

Address: 14B Liverpool Road

Penwortham Lancashire PR1 0AD

Applicant: Stemson Mckeown Distillery Limited

Development: Variation of condition 9 of planning permission 07/2023/00172/FUL to allow for the external seating area to be used until 22:00hrs.

An amendment to approve the application, against the officers' recommendation, was proposed by Councillor Haydn Williams and seconded by Councillor Will Adams on the grounds that the development would not result in a significant impact on residential amenity for occupants of nearby properties and the economic benefits of extending the hours of use of the external seating area would outweigh any limited harm to amenity arising from additional noise and disturbance.

It was subsequently;

#### Resolved: (Unanimously)

That the application be approved, against officer's recommendation, to vary conditions of planning permission 07/2023/00172/FUL.

# 172 07/2022/00948/FUL - Hoole Village Memorial Hall, 94 Liverpool Old Road, Much Hoole

Registered speakers: three supporters, Councillor Connor Watson and the applicant's agent.

Address: Memorial Hall

94 Liverpool Old Road

Much Hoole Preston PR4 4QA

Applicant: The Trustees of Hoole Village Memorial Hall

Agent: Mrs Denise Hargreaves

184-186 Station Road

Bamber Bridge Preston PR5 6SE

Development: Erection of single storey 'pavilion' building, formation of outdoor MUGA together with associated flood lighting, fencing, and parking

An amendment to defer the application, against the officers' recommendation, was proposed by Councillor Mary Green and seconded by Councillor Peter Mullineaux to allow more time for the applicant to resolve issues raised by Sport England in their objection.

A further amendment to approve the application, against officers' recommendation, was proposed by Councillor Phil Smith but was not seconded.

It was subsequently;

### Resolved: (Unanimously)

to defer the application to allow the applicant an opportunity to address the concerns of Sport England.

## 173 07/2023/00663/FUL - Atlantic Industries, Bannister Hall Lane, Higher Walton

Registered speakers: None.

Address: Atlantic Industries

Bannister Hall Lane

Higher Walton Preston PR5 4DB

Applicant: Atlantic Industries Limited

Agent: Ms Abigayle Boardman

The Barrons

104 Church Road

Tarleton

Preston PR4 6UP

Development: Extension to the existing industrial building (Use Class B8: Storage and Distribution)

The officer's recommendation to approve the application, subject to conditions was proposed by Councillor Will Adams and seconded by Councillor Matthew Farnworth.

It was subsequently;

### Resolved: (Unanimously)

that the application be approved, subject to conditions outlined within the officer's report.

#### 174 Statement of Community Involvement - Views of Planning Committee

The Planning Manager presented the report which sought the views of the Planning Committee on the draft Statement of Community Involvement.

Members heard that the current statement had last been reviewed in 2013 and was in need of updating, taking in changes in legislation and advances in technology that allow greater online communication to be undertaken.

The Statement of Community Involvement sets out how the local planning authority will consult and notify the community, businesses, and other stakeholders about developments in their area and generally how residents engage with the planning process, such as through the Local Plan consultation exercises or making representations to committee.

Committee members made a number of suggestions to consider:

- The role of ward members who sit on planning committee and their involvement with residents on planning matters.
- How engagement and attendance at consultation events can be improved, through more effective advertising, use of appropriate venues and suitable times.
- Increasing the number of consultation events in areas of the borough that are more populated, particularly in the Leyland area that covers a larger number of wards.
- That the area in which neighbouring properties to a proposed development are notified be expanded.
- That the proposed consultation be extended from four weeks to six, ensuring more time for responses to be submitted, with particular reference to parish councils who may only meet on a monthly basis.
- That more utilised and accessed forms of communication, such as the website and social media, be prioritised over outdated methods like newspaper advertisements.
- That the distribution of the weekly planning lists that members are provided be expanded more widely.

The Planning Manager confirmed that these suggestions would be considered. Subsequent to approval by Council later this month, the draft Statement of Community Involvement would undergo a public consultation in the new year before a final version is presented for adoption to Council in March 2024.

Chair Date