MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE
MEETING DATE Thursday, 7 February 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Jon Hesketh (Chair), Rebecca Noblet (Vice-Chair), Renee Blow, Bill Evans, Derek Forrest, Mick Higgins, Ken Jones, Jim Marsh, Jacqui Mort, Peter Mullineaux, Caleb Tomlinson, Graham Walton and Barrie Yates

OFFICERS: Linda Ashcroft (Planning Assistant), Janice Crook (Planning Officer), Charlotte Lynch (Trainee Governance and Member Services Officer), Heather McManus (Chief Executive), Jonathan Noad (Director of Planning and Property), Tim Povall (Deputy Chief Executive of Resources and Transformation (Section 151 Officer)), Debbie Roberts (Planning Officer), Chris Sowerby (Interim Assistant Planning Manager (Development Management)) and Dave Whelan (Legal Services Manager/Interim Monitoring Officer)

OTHER MEMBERS AND OFFICERS: Councillor Colin Clark (Cabinet Member (Corporate Support and Assets)), Councillor Paul Foster (Leader of the Opposition and Leader of the Labour Group), Councillor Mary Green, Councillor Michael Green, Councillor Keith Martin, Councillor Margaret Smith (Leader of the Council and Leader of the Conservative Group), Councillor Phil Smith (Cabinet Member (Regeneration and Leisure)), Councillor Michael Titherington (Deputy Leader of the Opposition and Deputy Leader of the Labour Group) and Councillor Matthew Tomlinson

PUBLIC: 20

96 Welcome and Introduction
The Chair, Councillor Jon Hesketh, welcomed members of the public to the meeting, introduced the committee, and explained the roles of its members and proceedings.

97 Apologies for Absence
Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mal Donoghue and Mike Nelson.

98 Declaration of Interest
The Interim Monitoring Officer, David Whelan, declared a personal interest in Item 8 – 25 Midge Hall Lane.

99 Minutes of the Last Meeting
RESOLVED: (Unanimously)
That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 January 2019 be signed as a correct record by the Chair.

100 Appeal Decisions

There were none to report.

101 07/2018/8132/FUL - Wellington Park, Leyland

Speakers: 2 objectors and the Agent (Mr Chris Butt)

Address: Wellington Park, Church Road, Leyland, PR25 3AB

Applicant: YourLife Management Services Ltd.

Agent: Mr Chris Butt, Unit 3, Edward Court, Altrincham Business Park, Broadheath, Altrincham, WA14 5GL

Development: Erection of residential care accommodation for older people (62 Apartments – Class C2) with associated landscaping and car parking following demolition of existing building.

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

That the application be approved with conditions.

102 07/2018/8346/FUL - Meadowcroft Business Park, Whitestake, Preston

Speakers: Ward Councillor Phil Smith and the Agent (Mr David Shepherd)

Address: Meadowcroft Business Park, Pope Lane, Whitestake, Preston, PR4 4BA

Applicant: Messrs T J Haley and M R Bailey

Agent: Mr David Shepherd, 20 Collingwood Avenue, St Annes, Lytham St Annes, FY8 2SB

Development: Construction of a new access road (amendment to previous approval 2016/1292/FUL)

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

That the application be approved with conditions.

103 07/2018/8493/PIP - 25 Midge Hall Lane, Midge Hall

Speakers: 3 supporters and the Agent (Mrs Louise Leyland)

Address: 25 Midge Hall Lane, Midge Hall, Leyland

Applicant: Mrs Susan Snape
Agent: Mrs Louise Leyland, PWA Planning

Development: Application for Permission in Principle for erection of one dwelling.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Barrie Yates and seconded by Councillor Peter Mullineaux that the application be deferred in order to gain further information about the Applicant’s special circumstances, as referred to in representations made at the meeting.

The vote on the Amended Motion was Yes: 8, No: 4 and Abstain: 1 and the Chair declared that the Amended Motion was carried.

104 07/2018/8583/FUL - Longton Equestrian Centre

Speakers: None

Address: Longton Equestrian Centre, Chapel Lane, Longton, Preston, PR4 5NA

Applicant: Create Homes

Agent: Mr Chris Betteridge, Farington House, Stanifield Business Park, Stanifield Lane, Leyland, PR25 4UA

Development: Erection of 9no. dwellings following demolition of existing equestrian centre buildings.

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

That the application be approved with conditions.

105 07/2018/8717/FUL - New Longton Sports and Social Club

Speakers: None

Address: New Longton Sports and Social Club, Chapel Lane, New Longton

Applicant: Mr Stephen Yardley

Development: Installation of two-lane cricket nets.

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

That the application be approved with conditions.

106 07/2018/9269/HOH - 69 Langdale Road, Leyland

Speakers: None

Address: 69 Langdale Road, Leyland

Applicant: Miss P Halliwell and Mr K Cockcroft

Agent: Mr C Taylor, 3DG Design
Development: Erection of porch to front and single storey rear extension.

RESOLVED: (Yes: 11 No: 0 Abstain: 2)

That the application be approved with conditions.

107 07/2018/9384/FUL - 47 Chapel Brow, Leyland

Speakers: None

Address: 47 Chapel Brow, Leyland, PR25 3NH

Applicant: Mr Ismail Ilick

Agent: Mr Zuned Vorajee, 47 Regent Drive, PR2 3JB

Development: Change of use from A1 (retail) to A4 (drinking establishment) (ground floor) and erection of two storey rear extension.

RESOLVED: (Unanimously)

That the application be approved with conditions.

108 Variation of S106 Agreement - Land off Croston Road, Leyland

The Committee received a report of the Director of Planning and Property that sought approval for the Council to relinquish the option to acquire land at a site off Croston Road in Leyland. The report proposed exchanging the use of the site for leisure or community purposes for a financial contribution towards health and wellbeing infrastructure at an alternative site.

Speakers: 1 supporter, 1 objector, Councillor Mick Titherington, Councillor Michael Green and Councillor Matthew Tomlinson

An amendment was moved by Councillor Caleb Tomlinson and seconded by Councillor Ken Jones for the variation of a Section 106 agreement for outline planning permission at the site to be refused.

The vote on the Amended Motion was Yes: 2, No: 10, Abstain: 1 and the Chair declared that the Amended Motion was lost.

A second amendment was moved by Councillor Barrie Yates and seconded by Councillor Peter Mullineaux that a decision regarding the variation of a Section 106 agreement for outline planning permission at the site be deferred until the consultation period for the Council’s Green Links project has ended.

The vote on the second Amended Motion was Yes: 11, No: 2 and that Chair declared that this Amended Motion was carried.