

PLANNING PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 17 OCTOBER 2007

Councillors M McVeigh (Chairman); W Southward (Deputy Chairman); A Carroll; Mrs M Docherty; Mrs J Hully; J Jackson; A Jacob and G Garrity.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors E Brennan; D Wilson and H Wormstrup.

Officers: H Morrison, Senior Planning Officer; R Carrol, Planning Officer; M Jepson, Head of Legal and Democratic Services; D James Member Services Officer and C Willoughby, Member Services Technical Support Officer.

PP23 Minutes

The Minutes of the meetings held on 19 September 2007 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record, subject to the addition of Councillor Brennan in the attendances.

PP24 Schedule of Planning Applications

Due to members of the public being present (some of whom exercised their right to speak) the following applications were dealt with at this point of the meeting

4/07/2319/0 – Relocate Haverigg Nursery School and New Community Centre, c/o Haverigg Primary School, Haverigg, Cumbria – Approve

4/07/2514/0 – Demolition of Existing Hall, Conversion of Existing Chapel to a New Dwelling & Construction of a Two Storey Side Extension Kirkland Chapel, Lake View, Kirkland, Frizington, Cumbria – Approve

(Note: Councillors J Hully, M McVeigh and W Southward declared personal interests in this item due to knowing the speaker for the Objector)

4/05/2042/0F1 – Conservatory, Rear Extension and improvements 7 Poolside, Haverigg, Millom, Cumbria - Approve

RESOLVED – That applications for planning permission be determined as shown on the schedule hereto, subject to conditions of approval and reasons for refusal as set out in the report of the Development Services Manager dated 17 October 2007 and subject to

4/07/2520/0 – Erection of 21 Dwellings comprising 4 Bungalows, 4 Terraced Houses, 13 Detached Houses, Hardstandings, Garages & Associated Works Land at Ghyll Bank, Lowca, Whitehaven, Cumbria – Approve subject to the addition of a further condition:-

5. “Traffic Calming measures shall be incorporated into the scheme, Full Details of which shall be submitted to and approved by the LPA in writing before development commences. These measures shall be implemented in accordance with the approved details.”

Reason for the condition “in the interest of highway safety.”

4/07/2542/0 – Extension to two sides of property to form six bedroom respite unit for people with learning disabilities 55A Norbeck Park, Cleator Moor, Cumbria – Approve subject to the addition of further conditions:-

3. “The driveway, parking and turning area shall be surfaced in bituminous or cement bound materials or otherwise bound, and shall be constructed and completed before the development is brought into use.

Reasons for the condition “In the interests of highway safety”

6. “No development approved by this permission shall be commenced until a desktop study has been undertaken and agreed by the LPA to investigate and produce an assessment of the risk for on-site contamination. The desk study shall include sufficient documentary research to enable a thorough understanding of the history of the site including past and present uses. If it identifies potential for contamination then a detailed site investigation shall be carried out to establish the degree and nature of the contamination and the potential to pollute the environment or damage human health. If remediation measures are necessary they shall be implemented in accordance with the assessment to the satisfaction of the LPA.”

Reasons for the condition “To ensure a safe form of development that poses no unacceptable risk of pollution or damage to human health”

4/07/2545/0 – Smoking Shelter Mirehouse Labour Club, Honister Road, Mirehouse, Whitehaven, Cumbria – Approve

(Note: Councillor J Hully declared a personal interest due to being a Member of the club. Councillor M Docherty declared a personal interest in this application due to being a resident of Honister Road)

4/07/2560/0 – Extension Winton House, 14 Rheda Park, Frizington, Cumbria – Site Visit.

In response to a request for guidance as to whether Members would be required to declare personal interests in this item due to the applicant being a Member of the Council, the Head of Legal & Democratic Services advised that guidance from the Standards Board for England suggested that this would not be necessary in this case.

Prior to consideration of this item, it was drawn to the Panel's attention that an Objector wished to speak in opposition of this item. However, although his letter confirming this had been received at the Council offices within the time limit, it had failed to reach the Planning department. On guidance from the Head of Legal and Democratic Services it was agreed to defer this application to the next meeting and undertake a Site Visit to avoid any further delay in its determining.

4/07/2582/0 – Erection of a Smoking Shelter The Haven Club, Cleator Moor Road, Whitehaven, Cumbria - Refuse

(Note: Councillor W Southward declared a personal interest in this application due to being a Member of the club)

4/07/9010/0 – Construction and operation of Vault 9 for the Storage of Low Level Waste. Low Level Waste Repository, Drigg.

No objection be raised to the proposal subject to an acceptable Community Compensation Package being agreed with Copeland Borough Council.

During consideration of this item it was noted that the Nuclear Working Group had considered this application in line with the Council's approved Nuclear Policy and recommended "To oppose any increase in capacity at the Low Level Waste Repository in Copeland until a community package is agreed with this Council".

PP 25

Street Naming and Numbering. Housing Development – Site Adjacent to Oaklands, The Green, Millom.

Consideration was given to the street name for an existing housing site adjacent to Oaklands, The Green, Millom, Cumbria.

During consideration of this item it was noted that the proposed name 'Blackbeck' was already being used by an existing property which pre-dated the works on the site. It was therefore:

RESOLVED – that the proposed street name be refused and an alternative sought and brought back to the Parish Council and Panel in due course.

The Meeting Closed at 4:30pm

Chairman