

PLANNING PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 8 DECEMBER 2010 at 2:00pm IN THE BAINBRIDGE ROOM, THE COPELAND CENTRE.

Present: Councillors; W Southward (Chairman); Mrs M Docherty (Deputy Chairman); G Blackwell, Mrs E Eastwood; G Garrity; Mrs J Hully; A Jacob; J Jackson; J Park and P Tyson.

Apologies for absence: Councillor D Wilson.

Officers: T Pomfret, Development Control Manager; H Morrison, Senior Development Control Officer; N Hayhurst, Senior Development Control Officer; R Carroll, Development Control Officer; M Jepson, Head of Legal & Democratic Services and C Willoughby, Member Services Technical Support Officer.

PP61/10 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 10 November 2010 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PP62/10 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillors Mrs M Docherty and G Garrity declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 2 (4/10/2359/001 – Outline application for proposed 58 bed space Care Home and Residential Development with associated Highway access at Former Sekers site, Cleator Moor Road, Whitehaven, Cumbria) due to having been lobbied on the application.

Councillors G Blackwell declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 9 (4/10/9001/OF2 – Development of a waste management facility for the disposal of low and very low level radioactive waste including site restoration and ancillary development at Keekle Head former Opencast Coal Site, Pica, Workington, Cumbria) due to being employed in the nuclear industry.

PP63/10 **Planning Applications**

Due to members of the public being present the following application was dealt with at this point of the meeting.

4/10/2532/OX0 – Outline application for the erection of a pair of two storey semi-detached houses at Land at corner of Steeple Close/Pillar Road, Mirehouse, Whitehaven, Cumbria.

During discussion of this item Mr Murdock and Mr Harvey spoke in objection to the application.

It was then proposed, duly seconded and

RESOLVED – That a site visit be held before determining this application.

4/10/2359/001 – Outline application for proposed 58 bed space Care Home and Residential Development with associated Highway access at Former Sekers site, Cleator Moor Road, Whitehaven, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – That the application be Approved.

The remaining Planning Applications were dealt with at this point of the meeting.

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 Control Manager dated 8 December 2010 and subject to:

4/10/9001/OF2 – Development of a waste management facility for the disposal of low and very low level radioactive waste including site restoration and ancillary development at Keekle Head former Opencast Coal Site, Pica, Workington, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – That the on behalf of the Council, this Panel objects to the application due to the information requested by Cumbria County Council, including the provision of community benefits, not being available.

PP64/10 Additional Planning Applications

With the permission of the Chairman, two additional Planning Applications were considered at this point of the meeting.

4/10/2494/OF1 – Proposed change of use of part of field to stone surfaced yard (Re-submission) at Whin Bank, Rottington, Whitehaven, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – That a site visit be held.

4/10/2469/OF1 – Proposed development of a Transport Interchange at Land North of Bransty Row, Whitehaven, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – That a site visit be held.

PP65/10 **Proposals for Changes to Planning Application Fees in England**

Members were informed of proposals for changes to the Planning Application fees in England and considered the formal response to be made by Council.

RESOLVED – That the proposals be supported and that the responses contained in paragraph 1.5 of the report constitute the Council's formal response.

PP66/10 **Planning Panel Site Visits**

It was noted that there were three Site Visits resulting from the meeting, being at Steeple Close/Pillar Road, Mirehouse, Whitehaven, Cumbria, Whin Bank, Rottington, Whitehaven, Cumbria and Land North of Bransty Row, Whitehaven, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – that the Site Visits be arranged for Wednesday 5 January 2011, departing the Copeland Centre at 10:30am.

The meeting closed at 3:30 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....

PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED BY THE PLANNING PANEL ON 8 DECEMBER 2010

App. No	Applicant	Location	Proposal	Decision
4/08/2298/0	Sellafield Limited	Yottenfews, Sellafield, Seascale	Permanent planning permission for existing temporary car park & ancillary structures, continued use of lorry park as a mobile crane test area	Approved
4/10/2359/001	Pathfinding Commercial Limited	Former Sekers Site, Cleator Moor Road, Whitehaven	Outline application for proposed 58 bed care home & residential development	Approved in outline
4/10/2429/0F1	Rosehill Theatre	Rosehill Theatre & Barn, Moresby, Whitehaven	Extension to Rosehill Theatre (Grade II listed) & Rosehill Barn (not listed but within the curtilage of the theatre) together with associated site improvements	Approved
4/10/2430/0L1	Rosehill Theatre	Rosehill Theatre & Barn, Moresby, Whitehaven	Listed Building Consent for Extension to Rosehill Theatre (Grade II listed) & Rosehill Barn (not listed but within the curtilage of the theatre) together with associated site improvements	Approve Listed Building Consent
4/10/2452/0F1	Westlakes Properties Ltd	Plateau 6A, Ingwell Drive, Westlakes Science & Technology Park, Moor Row	Proposed new office accommodation and associated external works	Approved
4/10/2466/0F1	Waterside Investments Ltd	Haig Enterprise Park, Kells, Whitehaven	Erection of three 15m wind turbines	Refused
4/10/2500/0F1	Blomfields Ltd	Woodland Nurseries, Stamford Hill, Lowca, Whitehaven	Extension to existing glasshouses & polytunnels	Approved
4/10/2532/0X0	Copeland Borough Council	Land at corner of Steeple Close/Pillar Road, Mirehouse, Whitehaven	Outline application for the erection of a pair of two storey semi-detached houses	Defer for Site Visit
4/10/9001/0F2	Endecom UK Ltd	Keekle Head former Opencast Coal site, Pica, Workington	Development of a waste management facility for the disposal of low and very low level radioactive waste including site restoration and ancillary development	Object
4/10/2469/0F1	Cumbria County Council	Land north of Bransty Row, Whitehaven	Development of a Transport Interchange	Site Visit
4/10/2494/0F1	T W West Limited	Whin Bank, Rottington, Whitehaven	Change of use of part of field to stone surfaced yard (re-submission)	Site Visit