PLANNING PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 21 MAY 2014 AT 2:00PM IN ST JOHN'S CHURCH HALL, EGREMONT ROAD, HENSINGHAM.

Present: Councillors Geoff Blackwell (Chair); Margarita Docherty; Stephen Haraldsen; Ian Hill; Joan Hully; John Jackson; John Park and William Southward.

Apologies for Absence: Councillor Jackie Bowman; Alan Jacob and Michael McVeigh.

Officers: John Groves, Strategic Nuclear and Planning Manager; Heather Morrison, Senior Development Control Officer; Simon Blacker, Development Control Officer and Clive Willoughby, Member Services Technical Support Officer.

Also Present: Councillor Geoff Garrity.

PP01/14 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 23 April 2014 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PP02/14 Appointment of Deputy Chairman

It was moved by Councillor William Southward, duly seconded and

RESOLVED – that Councillor Mrs Margarita Docherty be appointed Deputy Chairman of this Panel for the current municipal year.

PP03/14 Declarations of Interest

Councillor John Jackson declared a non-pecuniary interest in Planning Applications 4/14/2091/0F1. Application for extension to Accident & Repair Centre with an additional Detached Storage Building, Parking and Hardstanding at Unit 4, Whitehaven Commercial Park, Moresby Parks, Whitehaven and 4/14/2095/0F1. Demolition of existing Garage and Vehicle Hardstanding & Erection of 13 Detached/Semi Detached Residential Dwelling Houses with Integrated Landscape proposals at Pondfield garage, Solway Road, Kells, Whitehaven, due to knowing the applicant.

PP04/14 Planning Applications

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

4/14/2202/0F1 – application for the erection of Wind Turbine 57 metres to Blade Tip height, Two metering Units, Access Track, Crane and Assembly Areas (as replacement for previously approved 45.5 metre Blade Tip height Turbine (4/13/2061/OF1).

During discussion of this item Mrs M Deane and Mr M Harrington spoke in objection to the application.

RESOLVED – That the application be Refused.

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 Strategic Nuclear and Planning Manager dated 21 May 2014, subject to:-

4/14/2095/0F1 - Demolition of existing Garage and Vehicle Hardstanding & Erection of 13 Detached/Semi Detached Residential Dwelling Houses with Integrated Landscape proposals at Pondfield garage, Solway Road, Kells, Whitehaven,

RESOLVED – That the application be Approved subject to the addition of the following condition:-

"Condition 11. The proposed window in the upper floor of Plots 1 -6, Type A house type side elevation 1, shall be a fixed obscure glazed unit and shall be installed prior to the first occupation of the dwelling. The fixed obscure glazed window shall be so maintained thereafter

Reason

In the interest of neighbouring amenity."

PP05/14 Planning Appeal Decision

Members were informed of the outcome of a recent Appeal decision in respect of a site to the east of Bonny Farm, Moresby Parks, Whitehaven.

RESOLVED – That the decision to DISMISS the appeal be noted in the context of the Council's Local Plan Policies and also in relation to performance monitoring.

PP06/14 Planning Appeal Decision

Members were informed of the outcome of a recent Appeal decision in respect of a site to the south east of Castlerigg Farm, Moresby Parks, Whitehaven.

RESOLVED – That the decision to ALLOW the appeal be noted in the context of the Council's Local Plan Policies and also in relation to performance monitoring.

PP07/14 Planning Panel Site Visits

There were three Site Visits resulting from the meeting, being at Land to the North East of Rannerdale Drive, Victoria road, Whitehaven; The Old Fire Station Site, Main Street, Frizington and Land at Church House Farm, Calderbridge.

RESOLVED – that the Site Visit be arranged for Wednesday 11 June 2014, departing the Copeland Centre at 10:00am.

The meeting closed at 3:00pm

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DECISIONS MADE AT

PLANNING PANEL

ON 21 MAY 2014

Application Number	4/14/2105/0F1
Applicant	Airvolution Energy Limited
Location	LAND AT CHURCH HOUSE FARM, CALDERBRIDGE, SEASCALE
Proposal	ERECTION OF TWO WIND TURBINES WITH A MAXIMUM BLADE TIP HEIGHT OF UP TO 110 METRES, TOGETHER WITH A SUBSTATION AND CONTROL BUILDING, ASSOCIATED HARDSTANDINGS, A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION COMPOUND, AN UPGRADED ACCESS TRACK, A CONNECTING INTERNAL ACCESS TRACK AND OTHER RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE
Decision	Site Visit
Decision Date	21 May 2014

Application Number	4/14/2091/0F1
Applicant	Whitehaven Accident & Repair
Location	UNIT 4, WHITEHAVEN COMMERCIAL PARK, MORESBY PARKS, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	EXTENSION TO ACCIDENT AND REPAIR CENTRE WITH AN ADDITIONAL DETACHED STORAGE BUILDING AND ASSOCIATED PARKING AND HARDSTANDING
Decision	Approve (commence within 3 years)
Decision Date	21 May 2014

Application Number	4/14/2102/0F1
Applicant	Mr S Shepherd
Location	LAND AT DRIGG MOORSIDE, DRIGG, HOLMROOK
Proposal	ERECTION OF WIND TURBINE 57 METRES TO BLADE TIP HEIGHT, TWO METERING UNITS, ACCESS TRACK, CRANE AND ASSEMBLY AREAS (AS REPLACEMENT FOR PREVIOUSLY APPROVED 45.5 METRE BLADE TIP HEIGHT TURBINE (4/13/2061/0F1)
Decision	Refuse
Decision Date	21 May 2014

Application Number	4/14/2095/0F1	
Applicant	John Swift Homes Ltd	
Location	PONDFIELD GARAGE SITE, SOLWAY ROAD, KELLS, WHITEHAVEN	
Proposal	DEMOLITION OF EXISTING GARAGE AND VEHICLE HARDSTANDING AND ERECTION OF 13 DETACHED/SEMI- DETACHED RESIDENTIAL DWELLING HOUSES WITH INTEGRATED LANDSCAPE PROPOSALS	
Decision	Approve (commence within 3 years)	
Decision Date	21 May 2014	

Application Number	4/14/2096/0F1	
Applicant	V J Properties	
Location	THE OLD FIRE STATION SITE, MAIN STREET, FRIZINGTON	
Proposal	REMOVAL OF GARAGES, ERECTION OF NEW COMMERCIAL GARAGE WITH ASSOCIATED CAR SALES	
Decision	Site Visit	
Decision Date	21 May 2014	

Application Number	4/14/2138/001	
Applicant	North Associates	
Location	LAND TO THE NORTH EAST OF RANNERDALE DRIVE, W/HAVEN	
Proposal	OUTLINE APPLICATION FOR THE ERECTION OF 35 DWELLINGS	
Decision	Site Visit	
Decision Date	21 May 2014	