

PLANNING PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 25 FEBRUARY 2015 AT 2:00PM IN THE BAINBRIDGE ROOM, THE COPELAND CENTRE.

Present: Councillors Geoff Blackwell (Chair); Jackie Bowman; Margarita Docherty; Joan Hully; John Jackson; Alan Jacob; John Park and William Southward.

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Stephen Haraldsen; Ian Hill and Michael McVeigh.

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

PP48/14 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2015 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PP49/14 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Joan Hully declared a non-pecuniary interest in Planning Application 4/14/2375/OF1 – Application for the erection of One Wind Turbine (Maximum Hub Height of 30.52m and a Maximum tip height of 48.01m) with Control Box and all associated works at Land near Cobra Castle, Egremont due to being a Cleator Moor Town Councillor.

Councillor John Jackson declared a non-pecuniary interest in Planning Application 4/14/2507/OF1 – Application for the extension to Accident & Repair Centre and associated Parking and Hardstanding (Revised scheme for original approval 4/14/2091/OF1) at Whitehaven Accident & Repair, Unit 4 Joe McBain Avenue, Moresby Parks, Whitehaven due to a family member being employed there.

PP50/13 **Arrangement of the agenda**

Members were advised that Application numbers 4/14/2487/OF1 (Cobble Hall Farm, Cleator) and 4/14/2502/OF1 (Land south of Boonwood Farm, Distington) listed as numbers 3 and 5 had been withdrawn from the Agenda.

Planning Applications

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

4/15/2005/OF1 – Application for the proposed existing permitted use of the Civic Hall building be extended to include Office Accommodation (Class B1) and provision of Ancillary Café facilities (Class A3). The considered permitted use of the building is considered to be within use Classes D1/D2 at The Civic Hall, Lowther Street, Whitehaven.

RESOLVED – That the application be Approved, subject to the following additional condition:

“This permission permits either an office use (B1), a café use (A3), a use falling within the non-residential institution use class (D1), or an assembly and leisure (D2), or a combination of those uses, within any part of the Civic Hall building with the exception of the Solway Room (main hall) which shall remain in D1/D2 usage.”

4/14/2375/OF1 – Application for the proposed erection One Wind Turbine (Maximum Hub height of 30.52m and a maximum Tip Height of 48.01m with Control Box and all associated works at Land near Cobra Castle, Egremont.

During discussion of this item Ms E Rudd, Mr I McIntyre and Mr N Ford (representing Cleator Moor Town Council) spoke in objection to the application. The applicant, Mr T Dixon then exercised his right to respond.

RESOLVED – That the application be Refused.

4/14/2463/OF1 – Application for the proposed erection of a First Floor Bedroom Extension at 19 Rowantree Close, Whitehaven.

During discussion of this item Mr Crone spoke in objection to the application and the applicants, Mr & Mrs Myers then exercised their right to respond.

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 Strategic Nuclear and Planning Manager dated 25 February 2015.

PP52/14 **Planning Panel Site Visit**

There were three Site Visit resulting from the meeting, being at Home Farm, Gilgarran; Land south of Bell House Farm, Sandwith and Low Road, Whitehaven.

RESOLVED – that the Site Visits be arranged (together with the site visits previously abandoned due to poor visibility on 18 February 2015 at Land to south of Green Lonning, St Bees; Land near Cobble Hall, Cleator and Land South of Boonwood Farm, Distington) for Wednesday 11 March 2015, departing the Copeland Centre at 10:00am.

The meeting closed at 4:10pm

Chairman

Date

DECISIONS MADE AT

PLANNING PANEL

ON 25 FEBRUARY 2015

Application Number	4/15/2007/0F1
Applicant	Astime Properties Ltd
Location	LAND AT LOW ROAD, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (110 DWELLINGS)
Decision	Site Visit
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2375/0F1
Applicant	Mr T Dixon
Location	LAND NEAR COBRA CASTLE, EGREMONT (GRID REF: 302718, 511897)
Proposal	ERECTION OF ONE WIND TURBINE (MAXIMUM HUB HEIGHT OF 30.52M AND A MAXIMUM TIP HEIGHT OF 48.01M) WITH CONTROL BOX AND ALL ASSOCIATED WORKS
Decision	Refuse
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2463/0F1
Applicant	Mr P Myers
Location	19 ROWANTREE CLOSE, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	FIRST FLOOR BEDROOM EXTENSION
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	21 January 2015

Application Number	4/14/2510/0F1
Applicant	W Gate and Son
Location	HOME FARM, GILGARRAN
Proposal	ERECTION OF AN AGRICULTURAL ANAEROBIC DIGESTION PLANT TO COMPRISE 3 STORAGE CLAMPS, DIGESTER TANK, DIGESTATE STORAGE LAGOON, OPERATING BUILDING, SUBSTATION. SEPARATOR AND DRIER AND FLARE STACK
Decision	Site visit
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2511/0F1
Applicant	Mr G Barwise
Location	LAND TO SOUTH OF BELL HOUSE FARM, SANDWITH, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	INSTALLATION OF ONE WIND TURBINE (MAXIMUM TIP HEIGHT 36.6M) AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE
Decision	Site visit
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2498/0L1
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Applicant	Copeland Borough Council
Location	MARKET HALL, MARKET PLACE, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	LISTED BUILDING CONSENT FOR INSTALLATION OF AN ECOPAD DEFIBRILLATOR BOX
Decision	Approve Listed Building Consent (start within 3yr)
Decision Date	2 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2508/0F1
Applicant	North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust
Location	WEST CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL, HOMEWOOD ROAD, HENSINGHAM, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	CONSTRUCTION OF NEW STAIR TOWER TO BLOCK F; RECLADDING OF EXTERNAL FACES OF BLOCKS E & F; GENERAL REFURBISHMENT OF BLOCKS E & F
Decision	Approve (commence within 3 years)
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2507/0F1
Applicant	Whitehaven Accident and Repair
Location	UNIT 4 JOE MCBAIN AVENUE, MORESBY PARKS, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	EXTENSION TO ACCIDENT AND REPAIR CENTRE AND ASSOCIATED PARKING AND HARDSTANDING (REVISED SCHEME FOR ORIGINAL APPROVAL 4/14/2091/0F1)
Decision	Approve (commence within 3 years)
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2506/0F1
Applicant	North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust
Location	WEST CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL, HOMEWOOD ROAD, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY CONTRACTORS COMPOUND AND SITE ACCESS ROAD
Decision	Delegated to Officer
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2525/0F1
Applicant	Copeland Borough Council
Location	THE BEACON MUSEUM, WEST STRAND, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	NEW SINGLE STOREY CONFERENCE CENTRE WITH ACCESS DECKING TO BE CONSTRUCTED IN THE EXISTING UPPER CAR PARK
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2527/0F1
Applicant	North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust
Location	WEST CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL, HENSINGHAM, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	AMENDMENT OF CONDITIONS 2, 3, 4 & 6 OF PLANNING APPROVAL 4/13/2086/0F1 R.E. ACCESS, LANDSCAPING AND INSTALLATION OF BOLLARDS

Decision	Approve
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/14/2526/OF1
Applicant	North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust
Location	WEST CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL, HENSINGHAM, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	AMENDMENT OF CONDITION 2 OF PLANNING APPROVAL 4/13/2004/OF1 TO ALLOW THE RETENTION OF THE OLD ENERGY CENTRE FOR A TEMPORARY PERIOD OF 4 YEARS
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/15/2001/OF1
Applicant	North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust
Location	LAND AT WEST CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL, HENSINGHAM, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	CONSTRUCTION OF TEMPORARY CAR PARK (APPROX 4 YEARS) FOR USE BY NHS TRUST STAFF DURING THE REFURBISHMENT OF THE HOSPITAL
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/15/2005/OF1
Applicant	Copeland Borough Council
Location	CIVIC CENTRE, LOWTHER STREET, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	IT IS PROPOSED THAT THE EXISTING PERMITTED USE OF THE CIVIC HALL BUILDING BE EXTENDED TO INCLUDE OFFICE ACCOMMODATION (CLASS B1) AND PROVISION OF ANCILLARY CAFE FACILITIES (CLASS A3). THE CONSIDERED PERMITTED USE OF THE BUILDING IS CONSIDERED TO BE WITHIN USE CLASSES D1/D2
Decision	Approve (commence within 3 years)
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/15/2010/OF1
Applicant	North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust
Location	WEST CUMBERLAND HOSPITAL, HENSINGHAM, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	VARIATION OF CONDITION 5 OF PLANNING APPROVAL 4/13/2086/OF1 R.E. TIMING FOR CONSTRUCTION OF CAR PARKING AREAS AT HOSPITAL
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/15/9002/OF2
Applicant	Highways and Transport
Location	LAND ADJACENT TO THE GARDENS, COACH ROAD, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	CONSTRUCTION OF 70 SPACE CAR PARK WITH NEW ROAD ACCESS; CREATION OF NEW DISABLED PARKING FACILITIES AND PEDESTRIAN AND CYCLE LINKS TO CORKICKLE STATION; NEW HARD AND SOFT LANDSCAPING

Decision	No Objection
Decision Date	25 February 2015

Application Number	4/15/9001/0F2
Applicant	Marshalls Stancliffe Stone Ltd
Location	BIRKHAMS QUARRY, SANDWITH, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	SECTION 73 APPLICATION TO VARY CONDITION 2 OF PLANNING PERMISSION 4/02/9022 IN ORDER TO EXTEND THE TIMESCALE FOR MINERAL WORKING BY 15 YEARS TO 31 JULY 2030
Decision	No Objection
Decision Date	25 February 2015