

PLANNING PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 12 SEPTEMBER 2012 AT 2:00PM IN THE BAINBRIDGE ROOM, THE COPELAND CENTRE.

Present: Councillors Geoff Blackwell (Chairman); Joan Hully (Vice Chairman); Stephen Haraldsen; Alan Jacob; Michael McVeigh; John Park and Gilbert Scurrah.

Apologies for absence: Councillors Jackie Bowman; Margarita Docherty; John Jackson and William Southward.

Officers: Nick Hayhurst, Senior Development Control Officer; Clinton Boyce, Legal Services Manager and Clive Willoughby, Member Services Technical Support Officer.

PP26/12 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 15 August 2012 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PP27/12 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Joan Hully declared a non-pecuniary interest in Planning Application 4/11/2485/OF1 – Application for construction and operation of a Wind Farm consisting of 6 No Wind Turbines, Control Building, Anemometer Mast & Associated Access Tracks for an operational period of 25 years at Land to the West of Steel Brow Road, (Known as Weddicar Rigg), Arlecdon, Frizington, Cumbria due to being a Director of Regen NE Copeland and also due to knowing Councillor Knowles.

Councillor Hully also declared a non-pecuniary interest in Planning Application 4/12/2359/OF1 – Application for a Detached Dwelling with Integral Garage at Land adjacent to 7 Hensingham Road, Whitehaven, Cumbria due to knowing Mr Metcalfe.

PP28/12 Planning Applications

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

4/11/2485/OF1 – Construction and Operation of a Wind Farm consisting of 6 No Wind Turbines, Control Building, Anemometer Mast & Associated Access Tracks for an operational period of 25 Years at Land to the West of Steel Brow Road, Arlecdon, Frizington, Cumbria.

During discussion of this item Mr I Hughes and Mrs D Alexander spoke in objection to the application. The applicant, Mr P Dyke exercised his right to respond and Mr F McCracken spoke in support of the application.

RESOLVED – That the application be Deferred as Members were minded to refuse the application against the Planning Officer's recommendation.

4/12/2359/0F1 – Detached Dwelling with Integral Garage at Land adjacent to 7 Hensingham Road, Whitehaven, Cumbria.

During discussion of this item Councillor Alistair Norwood spoke in objection to the application. The Agent, Mr M Sandelands exercised his 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 Development Control Manager dated 12 September 2012.

PP29/12

Planning Panel Site Visits

It was noted that there were two Site Visits resulting from the meeting, being at Middle Gill Farm, Howgate, Whitehaven, Cumbria and Albion Street, Whitehaven, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – that the Site Visits be arranged for Wednesday 10 October 2012.

Members to depart the Copeland Centre at 11:30am.

The meeting closed at 4:05 pm

Chairman

Date

List of Decisions made

At Planning Panel on

12 September 2012

Application Number	4/11/2485/0F1
Applicant	Banks Renewables (Weddicar Rigg Wind Farm) Ltd
Location	LAND TO THE WEST OF STEEL BROW ROAD, (KNOWN AS WEDDICAR RIGG), ARLECDON, FRIZINGTON
Proposal	CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF A WIND FARM CONSISTING OF 6 No WIND TURBINES, CONTROL BUILDING, ANEMOMETER MAST & ASSOCIATED ACCESS TRACKS FOR AN OPERATIONAL PERIOD OF 25 YEARS
Decision	Defer
Decision Date	

Application Number	4/12/2397/0F1
Applicant	Empirica Investments Limited
Location	LAND TO NORTH EAST OF MIDDLE GILL FARM, HOWGATE, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	ERECTION OF SINGLE 67M WIND TURBINE
Decision	Site Visit
Decision Date	12 September 2012

Application Number	4/12/2359/0F1
Applicant	Mr K A Young & Ms A Birkett
Location	LAND ADJACENT TO 7 HENSINGHAM ROAD, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	DETACHED DWELLING WITH INTEGRAL GARAGE (RESUBMISSION)
Decision	Approve (commence within 3 years)
Decision Date	12 September 2012

Application Number	4/12/2368/0F1
Applicant	Jackson Timber Limited
Location	LAND AT MILL HILL FARM, KEEKLE, CLEATOR MOOR
Proposal	EXECUTIVE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE 9 NO. UNITS, ASSOCIATED SITE WORKS INCLUDING PARKING & LANDSCAPING
Decision	Refuse
Decision Date	12 September 2012

Application Number	4/12/2407/0F1
Applicant	NDA Properties Ltd
Location	LAND TO NORTH & SOUTH OF ALBION STREET, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	NEW OFFICE ACCOMMODATION OF 3 & 4 STOREYS WITH ASSOCIATED ACCESS WORKS, DISABLED PARKING PROVISION, LANDSCAPING & SERVICING
Decision	Site Visit
Decision Date	12 September 2012