

PLANNING PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2009 at 2:00pm

Present: Councillors W Southward (Chairman); G Blackwell; Mrs M Docherty; G Garrity; Mrs J Hully; J Jackson; Mrs J Williams; D Wilson and Mrs M Woodburn.

Apologies for absence: Councillor Mrs E Eastwood

Officers: T Pomfret, Development Control Manager; N Hayhurst, Senior Development Control Officer; and C Willoughby, Member Services Technical Support Officer.

PP27/09 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 19 August 2009 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PP28/09 Declarations of Interest

All Members declared a personal interest in application **4/09/2340/0** – Change of Use from Retail Newsagent/Fancy Goods to Indian Food Takeaway at 10 Wellington Street, Millom, Cumbria, due to the Applicant being related to a Copeland Councillor. Additionally, Councillor Wilson declared a personal interest due to having discussed the application as a Millom Town Councillor.

Councillor Mrs M Woodburn declared a personal interest in applications **4/09/2361/0** – Demolition of 36 Properties on Windermere Road and Fell View Avenue, Woodhouse, Whitehaven, Cumbria and **4/09/2379/0** – Demolition of 50 Properties (34 Houses & 16 Flats) at Keir Hardie Avenue, Ehen Place, Dent Square and Orchard Place, Cleator Moor, Cumbria due to being a Copeland Homes Board Member and left the room during the discussion of the applications.

A personal interest was declared by Councillors G Garrity and Mrs M Docherty in application **4/09/2364/0** – Erection of 3 No 2 Bedroom Terraced Houses at the Former Car Park Site, Horsfield Close, Hensingham, Whitehaven, Cumbria due to receiving letters relating to the application.

PP29/09 Planning Applications

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

4/09/2340/0 – Change of Use from Retail Newsagent/Fancy Goods to Indian Food Takeaway at 10 Wellington Street, Millom, Cumbria.

Prior to discussion of this item it was requested by Members, duly seconded and

RESOLVED that a Site Visit be undertaken before determining this application.

The remaining 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 16 September 2009 and subject to:

4/09/2361/0 – Demolition of 36 Properties on Windermere Road and Fell View Avenue, Woodhouse, Whitehaven, Cumbria –

RESOLVED – That the application be Deferred and the Applicant be invited to attend the next Planning Panel to provide further detail to Members

4/09/2379/0 – Demolition of 50 Properties (34 Houses & 16 Flats) at Keir Hardie Avenue, Ehen Place, Dent Square and Orchard Place, Cleator Moor, Cumbria -

RESOLVED – That the application be Deferred and the Applicant be invited to attend the next Planning Panel to provide further detail to Members

PP30/09 Planning Appeal Decision

Members were informed of the outcome of a recent Planning Appeal in respect of an application at 72 Hilltop Road, Kells, 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.

PP31/09 Planning Panel Site Visits

It was noted that there was one Site Visit resulting from the meeting, being at 10 Wellington Street, Millom, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – that the Site Visit be arranged for Wednesday 30 September 2009. Members departing at 9:30am from the Copeland Centre and would also include 28 Main Street, Egremont (Application Number 4/09/2374)

PP32/09 Planning Summer School

Members were advised by the Chairman that he and Councillor Wilson had recently attended a Planning Summer School in Exeter. The Panel were advised that the next Summer School would be in York from 3 – 9 September 2010.

The meeting Closed at 2:32pm

Chairman.....

Date.....

PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED BY THE PLANNING PANEL ON 16 SEPTEMBER 2009

App no	Applicant	Location	Proposal	Decision
4/09/2340/0	Mrs M Scurrah	10 Wellington Street, Millom	Change of use from retail newsagent/fancy goods to Indian Food Takeaway	Site Visit
4/09/2361/0	Home North West (Mrs G Staton)	Various properties on Windermere Road and Fell View Avenue, Woodhouse, Whitehaven	Demolition of 36 properties	Defer
4/09/2364/0	Mrs L Rowlands, Rowlands Holdings Ltd	Former Car Park Site, Horsefield Close, Hensingham, Whitehaven	Erection of 3 No 2 bedroomed terraced houses	Approved
4/09/2365/0	Mr C Blomfield Blomfields Ltd	Woodlands Nurseries, Lowca, Whitehaven	Extensions to existing glasshouses including the replacement of existing polytunnels and glasshouses for nursery purposes and related earthworks including the formation of a landscaped mound	Approved
4/09/2379/0	Home Group Ltd	Keir Hardie Avenue, Ehen Place, Dent Square & Orchard Place, Cleator Moor	Demolition of 50 properties (34 houses & 16 flats)	Defer