

PLANNING PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 23 MAY 2012 AT 2:00PM **IN THE BAINBRIDGE ROOM, THE COPELAND CENTRE.**

Present: Councillors Geoff Blackwell (Chairman); Jackie Bowman; Margarita Docherty; Stephen Haraldsen; Joan Hully; John Jackson; Alan Jacob (For Agenda Item 6, Applications 1 & 2 only); John Park and Gilbert Scurrah.

Apologies for absence: Councillor Michael McVeigh.

Officers: Tony Pomfret, Development Control Manager; Heather Morrison, Senior Development Control Officer; Rachel Carrol, Development Control Officer; Clinton Boyce, Legal Services Manager (For Agenda Item 6, Applications 1 & 2 only) and Clive Willoughby, Member Services Technical Support Officer.

PP01/12

Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 25 April 2012 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PP02/12

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Joan Hully declared a personal interest in Planning Application 4/12/2120/OF1 – Erection of a Single Wind Turbine at Drigg Moorside Farm, Drigg, Holmrook due to knowing one of the Objectors.

Councillor Stephen Haraldsen declared a personal interest in Planning Application 4/12/2221/OF1 – Extension to provide Gymnasium & Fitness Activity Spaces & the provision of an additional 61 Parking Spaces at Whitehaven Swimming Pool, Cleator Moor Road, Whitehaven due to being a member of North Country Leisure Copeland.

Mr C Willoughby declared a personal interest in Application 4/12/2173/OF1 – Wind Turbine on a 30M Monopole Mast at Bailey Ground Farm, Seascale, Cumbria due to being a Seascale Parish Councillor.

Planning Applications

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

4/12/2120/OF1 – Erection of a Single Wind Turbine at Land at Drigg Moorside Farm, Drigg, Holmrook, Cumbria.

Prior to considering this application, Members were advised by the Development Control Manager that the Applicant/Agent had lodged an appeal against non-determination in respect of this application, but that this had not yet been formally accepted by the Planning Inspectorate.

Following discussions with the Planning Inspectorate and having taken subsequent legal advice on the matter, Members were directed to consider the application in the normal way for a decision or a resolution to be made at this meeting.

During discussion of this item Mrs Susan White, Mr Stuart Robb, Mrs Pamela Clatworthy, Mr Neil Baines, Mr John Thompson, Mr Bob Metcalf, and Mr Mike Harrington spoke in objection to the application.

RESOLVED – That the application be Refused.

4/12/2173/OF1 – Wind Turbine on a 30M Monopole Mast at Land at Bailey Ground Farm, Seascale, Cumbria.

During discussion of this item Mrs Sonia Batten spoke in objection to the application. The Applicant's Agent Mr Paul Bailey exercised his right to respond.

RESOLVED – That the application be Approved, subject to the addition of a further condition:-

"4. Noise emissions from the wind turbine to which this permission refers shall not exceed 35dB LA90 (10 minutes) or 5dB above the measured background level when measured at any point at the façade of any residential or other noise sensitive boundary. For the purposes of this permission background levels shall be those levels of noise which occur in the absence of noise from the turbine to which this permission relates, expressed in terms of an A-weighted, 90th percentile level, measured at an appropriate time of day and for suitable period of time not less than 10 minutes. The microphone must be positioned 1.2 to 1.5m above ground level, fitted with a suitable windshield and situated in "free field conditions" external to any residential property, in accordance with the requirements of BS4142.

Reason:

To protect neighbouring amenity from noise pollution.”

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 23 May 2012.

PP04/12 Street Naming and Numbering

Consideration was given for a street name for an existing cul-de-sac of 10 houses at Outrigg, St Bees, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – That the street name Outrigg Close, St Bees, Cumbria be adopted for the cul-de-sac and all the relevant bodies be notified.

PP05/12 County Council Planning Decision

Members were informed of a recent decision by Cumbria County Council for the creation of a waste management centre for the disposal of low and very low level radioactive waste at the former opencast site at Keekle Head near Pica.

RESOLVED – That the decision to Refuse planning consent be noted.

PP06/12 Planning Panel Site Visits

It was noted that there were three Site Visits resulting from the meeting, being at 43 Lowther Street, Whitehaven; Blackbeck Hotel, Blackbeck, Haile, Egremont and land at Rosedale, The Hill, Millom.

RESOLVED – that the Site Visits be arranged for Wednesday 6 June 2012. Members to meet at 10:00am at the Copeland Centre.

The meeting closed at 4:10 pm

Chairman

Date

List of Applications

Decided at Planning Panel

On 23 May 2012

Application Number	4/12/2175/0F1
Applicant	Empirica Investments Ltd
Location	Land at Kidburngill Farm, Lamplugh
Proposal	Temporary Siting of a 50m Metereological Mast
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	23-May-12

Application Number	4/12/2120/0F1
Applicant	Mr S Sheppard
Location	LAND AT DRIGG MOORSIDE FARM, DRIGG, HOLMROOK
Proposal	ERECTION OF SINGLE WIND TURBINE
Decision	Refuse
Decision Date	24 May 2012

Application Number	4/12/2173/0F1
Applicant	Mrs K Mawson
Location	LAND AT BAILEY GROUND FARM, SEASCALE
Proposal	WIND TURBINE ON A 30M MONOPOLE MAST
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	23 May 2012

Application Number	4/12/2174/0F1
Applicant	Mr J Corrie
Location	LAND AT ST HELENA, EGREMONT
Proposal	TWO BEDROOMED STATIC CARAVAN TO SUPPORT A FARMING BUSINESS
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	23 May 2012

Application Number	4/12/2198/001
Applicant	Mr R Brown
Location	PLOT 2, BLYTHE PLACE GARDENS, ST BEES
Proposal	OUTLINE APPLICATION FOR SINGLE DWELLING
Decision	Approve in Outline
Decision Date	24 May 2012

Application Number	4/12/2199/0F1
Applicant	Mr G Park
Location	LAND AT GREEN LONNING, EGREMONT
Proposal	ERECTION OF 11KW GAIA WIND TURBINE ON AN 18M GALVANISED STEEL LATTICE MAST
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	24 May 2012

Application Number	4/12/2195/0F1
Applicant	Mrs B Taylor
Location	BLACKBECK HOTEL, BLACKBECK, EGREMONT
Proposal	TWO STOREY DETACHED BUILDING - GROUND FLOOR BREWERY/FARM SHOP, FIRST FLOOR FUNCTION ROOM
Decision	Site Visit
Decision Date	23-May-12

Application Number	4/12/2221/0F1
Applicant	North Country Leisure
Location	WHITEHAVEN SWIMMING POOL, CLEATOR MOOR ROAD, WHITEHAVEN
Proposal	EXTENSION TO PROVIDE GYMNASIUM & FITNESS ACTIVITY SPACES & THE PROVISION OF AN ADDITIONAL 61 PARKING SPACES
Decision	Approve
Decision Date	23-May-12

Application Number	4/12/2216/0F1
Applicant	G & M Ross
Location	LAND AT ROSSDALE, THE HILL, MILLOM
Proposal	ERECTION OF DWELLING ON GARDEN LAND WITH LOCAL OCCUPANCY AGREEMENT
Decision	Site Visit
Decision Date	23-May-12