

PLANNING PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 26 MAY 2010 at 2:00pm IN THE BAINBRIDGE ROOM, THE COPELAND CENTRE.

Present: Councillors W Southward (Chairman); Mrs E Eastwood; G Garrity; Mrs J Hully; J Jackson; A Jacob; Mrs J Williams; D Wilson and Mrs M Woodburn.

Apologies for absence: Councillors G Blackwell and Mrs M Docherty

Officers: T Pomfret, Development Control Manager; N Hayhurst, Senior Development Control Officer; S Blacker, Planning Officer; M Jepson, Head of Legal and Democratic Services and C Willoughby, Member Services Technical Support Officer.

PP01/10 **Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 28 April 2010 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PP02/10 **Appointment of Deputy Chairman**

It was moved by Councillor Mrs M Woodburn, duly seconded and

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

PP03/10 **Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Southward declared a personal interest in application **4/10/2127/001** – Application For Erection of 74 Dwellings, comprising 31 self build plots, 21 dwellings for sale, 22 dwellings for rent or shared ownership at Former White School, South Row, Kells, Whitehaven, Cumbria, due to Copeland Borough Council owning the site.

Councillor Mrs Hully declared a personal interest in the same application due to knowing the Agent of the Applicant.

Councillor Garrity declared a personal interest in application **4/10/2193/0F1** – Application For Revised Scheme To Include Additional Demolitions (Retrospective) & re-Building of Sub-Standard Structures To Facilitate The Scheme Approved Under

Planning Permission 4/09/2456 at Cartgate House, Cartgate Road, Hensingham, Whitehaven, Cumbria due to knowing the Applicant.

Councillor Mrs M Woodburn declared a personal interest in application **4/10/2110/0F1** – Application For Decking to Rear (Retrospective) at 44 King’s Drive, Egremont, Cumbria due to having been involved with background work prior to becoming a member of the Planning Panel and left the room during discussion of this item.

Councillor Mrs M Woodburn also declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 12, Proposed Tree Preservation Order due to being a Home Group Board Member.

PP04/10 **Planning Applications**

The 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 26 May 2010 and subject to:

4/10/2127/001 – Application For Erection of 74 Dwellings, comprising 31 self build plots, 21 dwellings for sale, 22 dwellings for rent or shared ownership at Former White School, South Row, Kells, Whitehaven, Cumbria,

RESOLVED – That the Development Control Manager be granted delegated authority to negotiate and settle the terms of a Section 106 agreement and, subject to that, approve the grant of planning permission in outline (commence within 3 years).

PP05/10 **Planning Policy Statement 5: Planning For The Historic Environment.**

Members received a presentation by Steve Palmer from the North of England Civic Trust on the new Planning Policy Statement 5: Planning for the Historic Environment.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

PP06/10 **Development Control Quality Review**

Consideration was given to a report seeking Members approval to carry out a review of recent development control decisions in the Borough in accordance with best practice

RESOLVED – That the review be undertaken on Wednesday 9 June 2010 to look at recent/ongoing developments.

PP07/10 **Planning Panel Summer School**

Members were informed of the Planning Summer School to be held 3 - 7 September 2010 at The University of York.

RESOLVED – that two members of the Planning Panel (Councillor A Jacob and one other) would be attending the Planning Summer School and the necessary arrangements be made.

PP08/10 **Planning Appeal Decision**

Members were informed of the outcome of a recent Appeal decision in respect of the Former Miners Welfare Hall, Pica, Distington, Cumbria.

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.

PP09/10 **Planning Panel Site Visits**

It was noted that there were two Site Visits resulting from the meeting, being at West Lakes Science Park, Moor Row and former Ehen Court site, Ehen Court Road, Egremont, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – that the Site Visits be arranged with the Quality Review for Wednesday 9 June 2010. Members departing at 9:30am from the Copeland Centre.

PP10/10 Exclusion of Press and Public

It was proposed by Councillor Hully, seconded and duly

RESOLVED - That pursuant to Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, as amended, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds of likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

PP11/10 Proposed Tree Preservation Order

A report was submitted seeking agreement to designate an emergency Tree Preservation Order at Ehen Court, Egremont, Cumbria.

RESOLVED – That an emergency tree preservation order be designated at Ehen Court, Egremont, Cumbria.

The meeting closed at 3:00 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....

PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED BY THE PLANNING PANEL ON 26 MAY 2010

App no	Applicant	Location	Proposal	Decision
4/10/2127/0	Kells Development Co. Ltd	Former White School, South Row, Kells, Whitehaven	Erection of 74 dwellings, comprising 31 self build plots, 21 dwellings for sale, 22 dwellings for rent or shared ownership	Delegated to Development Control Manager to approve subject to Section 106 Agreement
4/10/2193/0	Mr and Mrs G Reed	Cartgate House, Cartgate Road, Whitehaven	Revised scheme to include additional demolitions (retrospective) and re-building of sub-standard structures to facilitate the scheme approved under planning permission 4/09/2456/0	Approve
4/10/2182/0	Whitbread Group plc	Premier Inn, Howgate, Whitehaven	Proposed erection of detached accommodation block adjacent to existing hotel to provide additional car parking spaces, associated works and landscaping	Approve
4/10/2131/0	Mr A W Glanville	4 The Crescent, Egremont	Erection of a single and two storey extension to the rear	Approve
4/10/2220/0	University of Manchester	Plot 9B, West Lakes Science Park, Moor Row	New build offices and research facility	Site Visit
4/10/2110/0	Miss H Whittam	44 Kings Drive, Egremont	Decking to rear (retrospective)	Approve
4/10/2211/0	Home Group Housing Association	Ehen Court Road, Egremont	New build erection of 22 two/three storey two bedroomed apartments for the over 55's including in curtilage parking spaces and external green landscaping	Site Visit
4/10/2196/0	Partnerships for Renewables (Mr Khalid Hussain)	Land 500m south west of HM Prison, Haverigg, Millom	Erection of a 70m high wind monitoring mast for a period of three years	Withdrawn from Agenda