PLANNING PANEL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 27 MARCH 2013 AT 2:00PM IN THE BAINBRIDGE ROOM, THE COPELAND CENTRE.

Present: Councillors Geoff Blackwell (Chair); Jackie Bowman; Joan Hully; John Jackson; Alan Jacob; Michael McVeigh; Gilbert Scurrah and William Southward.

Apologies for Absence: Councillors Margarita Docherty and John Park

Officers: Heather Morrison, Senior Development Control Officer; Simon Blacker, Planning Officer, Denise James, Member Services Officer

PP55/12 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 27 February 2013 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

PP56/12 Declarations of Interest

Councillor John Jackson declared a non disclosable pecuniary interest in Planning Application 4/12/2566/0F1 – Application for the installation of a single 11kw Gaia Wind Turbine at Land at Low Thorney Farm, Carleton, Egremont due to his brother living in the vicinity of the proposed wind turbine.

Councillor Jackie Bowman declared a non disclosable Pecuniary interest in Planning Application 4/13/2030/0F1 Demolition of Old School, The Retention & Refurbishment of the Clock Tower& Erection of 3 Houses and 11 Bungalows with Associated Landscaping & 200% Parking The Old School Main Street Distington die to being a Distington Ward Councillor and Members of the Parish Council

PP57/12 Planning Applications

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

Planning Application 4/12/2397/0F1 – Erection of Single 67m Wind Turbine land to North East of Middle Gill Farm Howgate Whitehaven During discussion of this item Mrs Cottier and Mr Patterson spoke in objection to the application.

RESOLVED – That the application be Minded to Refuse.

Planning Application 4/12/2566/0F1 – Application for the installation of a single 11kw Gaia Wind Turbine at Land at Low Thorney Farm, Carleton, Egremont due to his brother living in the vicinity of the proposed wind turbine.

During discussion of this item Mr Sherwin spoke in objection to the application and Mr Jackson the applicant 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 Head of Nuclear, Energy and Planning dated 27 March 2013.

PP58/12 Planning Panel Site Visits

It was noted that there were three Site Visits resulting from the meeting, being at Fairladies Farm, Outrigg Road; Former YMCA 44-45 Irish Street Whitehaven and Melbreak House, Main Street Hensingham

RESOLVED – that the Site Visits be arranged for Wednesday 3 April 2013. Departing the Copeland Centre at 10:00am.

The meeting closed at 3:20pm

Chairman

Date