

PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
17th December 2015

PRESENT – Councillors Dave Smith (in the Chair), Ali, Brookfield, Browne, Casey, Groves, Jan-Virmani (substitute for Khan Z), Khonat S, Lee (substitute for Cottam), Mahmood A, McKinlay, Oates, Riley (substitute for Hussain I) Slater Jacqueline, and Whalley

OFFICERS - David Proctor (Head of Service, Planning and Transport), Brian Bailey (Director of Growth & Prosperity), Gavin Prescott (Planning Manager) Asad Laher (Legal), Safina Alam (Capita), George Bell (Capita) and Christine Wood (Democratic Services)

RESOLUTIONS

65 **Welcome and Apologies**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Councillors Cottam, Hussain I and Khan Z.

66 **Minutes of the last Meeting held on 19th November 2015**

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the last meeting held on 19th November 2015 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

67 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no Declarations of Interest.

68 **Planning Applications**

The Committee considered reports of the Director of Prosperity and Growth detailing the planning applications listed overleaf.

In considering the applications, the Committee took into account representations or submissions provided by individuals with the officers answering points raised during discussion thereon.

RESOLVED – (1) That the following decisions be made on the applications set out below:

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Location and Description</u>	<u>Decision under Town and Country Planning Acts and Regulations</u>
10/14/1277	Eldon Road Mosque Committee	28-30 Shear Bank Road, Blackburn, BB1 8AZ Full planning application for demolition of existing building and erection of a two storey building for use as a Mosque and Madrassah together with car parking, landscaping and altered vehicular access <i>Mr Thomas Konarski spoke in support of the application</i>	Minded to approve subject to suitable conditions to be submitted to the Planning and Highways Committee on 21 st January 2016 for consideration as proposed by Councillor Suleman Khonat and supported by Councillor Paul Browne
10/15/0332	M M Ali	Unit 2, Livesey Branch Road, Blackburn, BB2 5DX Full planning application for proposed single storey side and rear extension of existing unit to form three self contained commercial units (use class A1)	Permit with conditions
10/15/0908	Mr Simon Bullen	Meadowcroft Farm, Bury Road, Edgworth, Bolton, BL7 0BS Full planning application (retrospective) for alterations to an existing agricultural building approved under 10/14/0357 <i>Mrs Bullen spoke supporting the application Mr Paton spoke against the application</i>	Permit as per officer recommendation in the previous report submitted to the Planning and Highways Committee on 19 th November 2015
10/15/0923	Bank of Ireland	95 Whalley Range, Blackburn, BB1 6EE	Deferred to investigate possible

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		Full Planning Application for installation of Bank of Ireland ATM into shop front glazing left of entrance	relocation of ATM to the corner of the building as proposed by Councillor Suleman Khonat and supported by Councillor Arshid Mahmood and agreed at the meeting
10/15/1052	Mr Stephen Martin	The Dingle, Earnsdale Road, Darwen, BB3 0LA Full planning application for replacement of existing concrete fence and dry stone wall with steel vertical bar fencing 1.8m in height with pedestrian access gate <i>Councillor Brian Taylor and Julie Hyslop spoke supporting the application</i>	Permit with conditions
10/15/1119	Mr Richard Topham	Greenbank Terrace/Milking Lane, Lower Darwen, Blackburn Outline planning application(access) for the erection of up to 180 dwellings, open space and associated works including the construction of a link road together with the demolition of the existing redundant office buildings <i>Councillor John Slater and Kirstie Hopcroft spoke supporting the application</i>	Permit subject to: Authority be delegated to the Head of Service for Planning and Transport to approve planning permission subject to negotiation of an agreement under S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act

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			1990 requiring further assessment of the developments viability if construction of the development has not commenced within 3 years of the date of the decision notice, or Following negotiation the granting of planning permission without such an agreement with conditions as detailed in the Director's report
10/15/1130	Mr Layton Cooper	47 East Park Avenue, Darwen, BB3 2SQ Full Planning Application for single storey garage extension to side of house	Permit with conditions

69 Petition: Aberdeen Drive, Blackburn

A report was submitted to advise the Committee of the receipt of a petition containing 18 signatures requesting that the grass verges be removed from Aberdeen Drive, Blackburn to create parking places

Grounds for the request and background details were outlined in the report. The Committee was advised that the request had been supported by a local Ward Councillor.

Members were advised that the existing parking bays and grass verges were in the ownership of Twin Valley Homes and as such the provision

of extra parking spaces on the estate would be the responsibility of the Housing Association.

It was recommended to the Committee that the petition and the issues raised by the Lead Petitioner be passed to Twin Valley Homes.

RESOLVED –

1. That the Committee note the report; and
2. That the Committee support the officer recommendations that the petition and the issues raised by the Lead Petitioner be passed to Twin Valley Homes; and
3. That the Lead Petitioner be informed of the decision.

Signed:

Date:

Chair of the meeting
at which the minutes were confirmed