

**PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE**  
**16<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

***PRESENT** – Councillors Dave Smith (in the Chair), Akhtar P (substitute for Hussain I), Ali, Casey, Khan Z, Hardman, Hussain F, Jan-Virmani (substitute for McKinlay), Khonat, Marrow (substitute for Murray), Riley, Roberts (substitute for Groves), Slater Ja and Vali (substitute for Nuttall)*

***OFFICERS** - Gavin Prescott (Planning Manager), David Proctor (Planning), Michael Green (Legal), Safina Alam (Capita) and Christine Wood (Democratic Services)*

**RESOLUTIONS**

**11 Welcome and Apologies**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Councillors Groves, Hussain I, McKinlay, Murray, Nuttall and Oates.

**12 Minute silence in memory of Jo Cox, MP**

The Chair referred to the tragic event that had occurred earlier in the day and a minute silence was held in memory of Jo Cox, MP who had sadly passed away that day.

**13 Minutes of the last Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the last meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

**14 Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Phil Riley declared an interest in agenda item 4.1 (planning application 10/15/1425 – Had objected to the application which was noted in the report) and left the room prior to discussion and determination of the application.

**15 Planning Applications**

The Committee considered reports of the Director of Planning and Prosperity 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 overleaf:

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Location and Description</u>	<u>Decision under Town and Country Planning Acts and Regulations</u>
At this point, prior to discussion and determination of planning application 10/15/1425 as detailed below, Councillor Phil Riley left the meeting.			
10/15/1425	Mr Kasim Ali	2-6 Pemberton Street, Blackburn, BB1 9AB  Full planning application for change of use from single dwelling (nos 2-6) to two dwellings (nos 2/4 & 6)	Approve with conditions
At this point, following determination of planning application 10/15/1425, Councillor Phil Riley returned to the meeting.			
10/16/0398	Eanam Garments	Atlas Works, River Street, Blackburn, BB1 1EG  Full planning application for change of use from vacant yard to car sales	Permit with conditions in the Director's original report with additional conditions as detailed in the Director's Update report

**16 Petition: Full planning application (Retrospective) for change of use of no. 53 from retail to café and installation of 3 no Air Con units to rear; Installation of ventilation duct at no 51, new shop fronts to both properites at 51-53 Whalley Range, Blackburn, BB1 6EA**

A report was submitted to advise the Committee of the receipt of a petition on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015 containing 20 signatures objecting to the above planning application as detailed above. The Committee was also advised that a further petition objecting to the application had been received on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016.

Grounds for objection to the application were outlined in the report.

The Committee was further advised that the application was currently

being assessed and further information had been requested. The Committee was advised that on receipt of all information, the application would be referred to the Chair of the Planning and Highways Committee for consideration to decide if the application should be determined by the Planning and Highways Committee or by use of the Council's adopted Scheme of Delegation.

**RESOLVED** – That the Planning and Highways Committee:

1. Note the petition; and
2. Note that the issues raised would inform the assessment of the proposal; and
3. That the Lead Petitioner be informed of the final decision relating to the application.

**17 Exclusion of the Press and Public**

**RESOLVED** – That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item in view of the fact that the business to be transacted is exempt by virtue of paragraph 5 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

**18 Enforcement: 3 Cadshaw Cottages, Bolton Road, Darwen, BB3 2TX**

A report was submitted requesting authorisation to take enforcement action against all persons having an interest in land at 3 Cadshaw Cottages, Bolton Road, Darwen, BB3 2TX which was outlined in the Ordnance Survey Plan and attached to the report.

Grounds for the request were outlined in the report.

**RESOLVED** – That the Planning and Highways Committee authorise the Director of HR and Legal Services, in consultation with the Director of Planning and Prosperity, to consider the issuing of an enforcement notice, if ultimately necessary, to reduce the height of the wall to 1 metre in line with the General Permitted Development (England) Order 2015 at 3 Cadshaw Cottages, Bolton Road, Darwen, BB3 2TX.

**19 Enforcement Update**

A report was submitted to present the Committee with an overview on Enforcement matters.

**RESOLVED** – That the Planning and Highways Committee note the report.

Signed: .....

Date: .....

Chair of the meeting  
at which the minutes were confirmed