

PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE
17th November 2016

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

OFFICERS – Gavin Prescott (*Planning*), David Proctor (*Planning*), Asad Laher (*Legal*), Safina Alam and Christine Wood (*Democratic Services*)

RESOLUTIONS

54 **Welcome and Apologies**

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Councillors Groves, Hussain F and McKinlay.

55 **Minutes of the last Meeting held on 15th September 2016**

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the last meeting held on 28th July 2016 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

56 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

57 **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>
10/15/1119	Mr Richard Topham	Greenbank Terrace/Milking Lane, Lower Darwen	Refused due to failure to enter into the Section 106 planning obligation, the application failed to provide for affordable housing; thus failed to comply with Policy CS8 of the Blackburn with Darwen Core Strategy and Policy 12 of the Blackburn with Darwen Local Plan Part 2

58 Petition: Clarendon Road East, Blackburn

A report was submitted to advise the Committee of the receipt of a petition containing 17 signatures requesting traffic calming measures on Clarendon Road East, Blackburn.

Petitioners claimed that vehicles were often speeding on the road and young motor cyclists raced up and down the road causing much noise and nuisance.

Petitioners felt that the introduction of speed humps would assist in alleviating this problem and their concerns regarding the safety of their children.

The Committee was advised that there was a severely limited budget available for implementing casualty reduction schemes at known accident black spots.

The Committee was further advised that no accidents had been recorded on Clarendon Road East in the previous five years and therefore the road would not qualify for the introduction of a scheme at the present time.

RESOLVED – That the Planning and Highways Committee: -

1. Support the Officer recommendation that the petitioners request for the introduction of speed humps be refused; and
2. That the Lead Petitioner be informed of the decision.

59 Petition: Bank Street, Darwin

A report was submitted to advise the Committee of the receipt a petition containing 18 signatures requesting the introduction of residents' parking on Bank Street, Darwin.

Grounds for the request were outlined in the report.

The Committee was advised that under the revised Residents Parking Policy, due to be submitted to the Executive Board (anticipated December 2016) for approval, the request met the criteria for consideration. It was reported that several other requests had been held in abeyance until the policy had been ratified.

It was further reported that the policy was clear that, at times, it may not be possible to progress all requests for feasible schemes (where demand exceeded available resources). Requests would be prioritised using the assessment factors. Requests that were unable to be progressed would be placed on a waiting list.

RESOLVED – That the Planning and Highways Committee

1. Support the Officer recommendation that the petitioners' request be added to the waiting list of schemes to be considered upon approval of the residents' parking schemes policy; and
2. That the Lead Petitioner be informed of the decision.

60 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.

61 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.

62 Enforcement: Land at Weasel Lane, (Kiln Bank), Tockholes

A report was submitted requesting authorisation to take enforcement action against all persons having an interest in land at Weasel Lane, Tockholes, Darwen (as outlined in the ordnance survey plan and photograph that was attached to the report) in respect of two unauthorised buildings on the land.

Backgrounds details including grounds for the request were outlined in the report.

RESOLVED – That the Planning and Highways Committee authorise the Director of HR, Legal and Corporate Services, in consultation with the Director of Planning and Prosperity, to issue an enforcement notice to secure the removal of the unauthorised buildings at Weasel Lane, (Kiln Bank) Tockholes.

63 Enforcement: 12 Plane Street, Blackburn

The Committee was advised that the request to take enforcement action against all persons having an interest in 12 Plane Street, Blackburn, BB1 6LR had been withdrawn following the receipt of a planning application (ref: 10/16/1227) and pending the determination of the application.

RESOLVED – That the above be noted.

64 Enforcement: 17 Market Street Lane, Blackburn

A report was submitted requesting authorisation to take enforcement action against all persons having an interest in land at 17 Market Street Lane, Blackburn, BB2 2DE, (as outlined on the Ordnance Survey plan and photograph as attached to the report) to pursue the removal of UPVC windows and to replace the windows with timber sash windows at ground, first and second floor elevations.

Background details including grounds for the request were outlined in the report.

RESOLVED – That the Planning and Highways Committee authorise the Director of HR, Legal and Corporate Services in consultation with the Director of Planning and Prosperity, to issue an enforcement notice, if ultimately necessary, to replace the UPVC windows with timber sash windows within a 24 month period, ground floor window to be replaced immediately, first floor windows to be replaced within 12 months and the second floor windows to be replaced within 24 months of the date on the Enforcement Notice at 17 Market Street, Lane, Blackburn BB2 2DE.

65 Enforcement: Land at Sett End Woods, Blacksnape

A report was submitted requesting authorisation to take enforcement action against all persons having an interest in land at Sett End Woods, Blacksnape Road, Hoddlesden as outlined on Ordnance Survey Plan and photograph, which were attached to the report.

Background details including grounds for the request were outlined in the report.

RESOLVED – That the Planning and Highways Committee authorise the Director of HR, Legal and Corporate Services in consultation with the Director of Planning and Prosperity to consider the issuing of an enforcement notice to secure the removal of the unauthorised residential caravan and extension and other associated storage units on the land at Sett End Woods, Blacksnape Road, Hoddlesden.

Signed:

Date:

Chair of the meeting
at which the minutes were confirmed