

PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Thursday, 18 April 2019

PRESENT –Councillors; Smith (in the Chair), Akhtar, Brookfield (substitute for Richards), Casey, Daley, Davies, Jan-Virmani, Khan, Khonat, Oates, Marrow (substitute for Slater) and Riley.

OFFICERS - Gavin Prescott (Development Manager), Michael Green (Legal) and Wendy Bridson (Democratic Services).

RESOLUTIONS

80 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from Cllrs Hardman, Richards and Slater.

As it was the final meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee in the 2018/19 Municipal Year, the Chair expressed his thanks to everyone for their input over the last year.

The Chair informed Members of the Committee that as the next scheduled Committee fell on the same day as the European Election, a new date had been identified as Wednesday 29th May, with site visits also taking place that same day.

81 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the last meeting held on 21st February 2019 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

82 Declaration of Interest

RESOLVED – There were no Declarations of Interest received.

83 Planning Applications for Determination

The Committee considered reports of the Director of Growth and Development detailing the planning applications.

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

84 Planning Application 10/18/0094

Applicant – Lidl UK Gmbh

Location and Proposed Development – Furthergate Works, St Clements Street, Blackburn, BB1 1AB

Full Planning Application: Demolition of existing building and the erection of a Lidl store (Use Class A1) with associated works including improved access,

parking area and landscaping.

Decision under Town and Country Planning Acts and Regulations -

Members were recommended to defer the application to the May Committee meeting, in order to allow detailed consideration to be made relating to further representations received and submitted regarding the planning policy principle and highway issues.

RESOLVED – That the application be deferred to the May Committee Meeting.

85 Planning Application 10/19/0056

Applicant – Countryside Properties UK Ltd

Location and Proposed Development – Land off Queen Victoria Street, Blackburn, BB2 2RZ

Full Planning Application for Demolition of existing buildings on site and the erection of 68 dwellings and associated works.

Decision under Town and Country Planning Acts and Regulations -

Approved subject to the recommended conditions set out in the Director's Report and additional conditions highlighted in the Update Report.

86 Planning Application 10/19/0074

Applicant – Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council

Location and Proposed Development – 27 Blackburn Enterprise Centre, Furthergate, Blackburn, BB1 3HQ

Full Planning Application (Regulation 4) for Change of use of second floor unit (suite 27) from taxi booking office to general office.

Decision under Town and Country Planning Acts and Regulations -
Approved.

87 Planning Application 10/19/0089

Applicant – Blackburn with Darwen Borough Council

Location and Proposed Development – St Aidan's Respite Centre, 124 St Aidan's Avenue, Blackburn, BB2 4EY.

Single storey side extension and new front porch, creation of new vehicular access and off street parking and replacement boundary fencing

Decision under Town and Country Planning Acts and Regulations -
Approved subject to the recommended conditions set out in the Director's Report.

88 Petition regarding Planning Application 10/19/0123

A report was submitted to inform the Committee of the receipt of a petition relating to Planning Application 10/19/0123, the grounds for which were outlined in the report submitted.

The petition was received on the 28th March 2019 and contained 27 signatories. Two signatures were being considered invalid as highlighted in the Update Report.

The Committee was advised that the application had not yet been determined.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

89 Appeals Monitoring Update

Members were presented with an update of recently decided appeals since the last monitoring report in October 2018. The appeals were determined during the period 6th October 2018 to 5th April 201, with 5 appeals being dismissed and 1 being allowed.

The update would also be presented to the Cross Party Working Group at their meeting on the 21st May 2019.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

90 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.

91 Enforcement Update Report

A report was presented to Members with an overview of Planning Enforcement matters. The list of cases included in the report was in the main, a list of cases where formal enforcement action was being taken and was not a list of every case, complaint or enquiry being dealt with.

RESOLVED – That the report be noted.

Signed:

Date:

Chair of the meeting
at which the minutes were confirmed