

PLANNING COMMITTEE

HELD: Thursday, 10 September 2020

Start: 7.00 p.m.

Finish: 8.25 p.m.

PRESENT:

Councillor: G Owen (Chairman)
A Pritchard (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: I Ashcroft Mrs P Baybutt
A Blundell N Delaney
T Devine S Evans
J Finch E Pope
J Thompson

Officers: Ian Gill, Head of Growth and Development
Cath Thomas, Development, Heritage and Environment Manager
Mark Loughran, Principal Planning Officer
David Delaney, Legal Assistant (Planning)
Jill Ryan, Senior Member Services Officer
Julia Brown, Member Services Officer

In attendance: Councillor D Evans (Planning Portfolio Holder)
Councillor M Mills (Halsall Ward)

31 APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for absence received.

32 MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4, the Committee noted the termination of Councillor D O'Toole and the appointment of Councillor A Blundell for this meeting only, thereby giving effect to the wishes of the Political Groups.

33 URGENT BUSINESS, IF ANY INTRODUCED BY THE CHAIRMAN

There were no items of urgent business.

34 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

35 DECLARATIONS OF PARTY WHIP

There were no Declarations of Party Whip.

36 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 30 July 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

37 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Corporate Director of Place and Community submitted a report on planning applications (all prefixed 2020 unless otherwise stated) as contained on pages 133 to 179 of the Book of Reports and on pages 117 to 120 of the Late Information Report.

(Notes:

1. In accordance with Regulatory Procedure Rule 7(b), Councillor Maureen Mills spoke in connection with planning applications 1058/OUT, 52A New Cut Lane, Halsall and 0606/FUL relating to 72 New Cut Lane, Halsall and left the meeting after consideration of these applications.
2. A Parish Councillor from Halsall Parish Council spoke in connection with planning applications 1058/OUT, 52A New Cut Lane, Halsall and 0606/FUL relating to 72 New Cut Lane, Halsall and left the meeting after consideration of these applications.
3. Two Objectors spoke in connection with 1057/OUT, 52A New Cut Lane, Halsall and left the meeting after consideration of this application.)

38 2019/1003/FUL - BARN LODGE VETERINARY HOSPITAL, 54A SOUTHPORT ROAD, ORMSKIRK

RESOLVED: That planning application 2019/1003/FUL relating to Barn Lodge Veterinary Hospital, 64A Southport Road, Ormskirk had been withdrawn from the agenda by Officers to allow for further consideration.

39 2020/0263/OUT - HUNTERS, MOORGATE, ORMSKIRK

RESOLVED: That in respect of planning application 0263/OUT relating to Hunters, Moorgate, Ormskirk:

- (i) That the decision to grant planning permission be delegated to the Corporate Director of Place and Community in consultation with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee subject to the applicant entering into a planning obligation under S106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to secure:

Delivery, terms and conditions of the affordable housing units
Provision of specialist housing for the elderly

- (ii) That any planning permission granted by the Corporate Director of Place and Community be pursuant to the conditions as set out on pages 150 to 155 of the Book of Reports and with the amendment of Condition 4 as set out on page 118 of the Late Information Report.

40 2020/1058/OUT - 52A NEW CUT LANE, HALSALL

RESOLVED: That planning application 1058/OUT relating to 52A New Cut Lane, Halsall be refused for the reasons as set out on pages 163 to 164 of the Book of Reports and with the amended reason for refusal as set out below:-

Reason 2

The proposed development conflicts with Policy GN3 of the West Lancashire Local Plan in that the layout of plot 1 would detrimentally impact upon the amenity of adjacent occupiers residing at no.48 and 54 New Cut Lane by reason of overlooking to their rear garden areas.

41 2020/0606/FUL - 72 NEW CUT LANE, HALSALL

RESOLVED: That planning application 0606/FUL relating to 72 New Cut Lane, Halsall be approved subject to the conditions as set out on pages 168 to 171 of the Book of Reports.

42 2020/0317/FUL - 56 GRANVILLE PARK WEST, AUGHTON

RESOLVED: That planning application 0317/FUL relating to 56 Granville Park West, Aughton be approved subject to the conditions as set out on pages 177 to 179 of the Book of Reports and with the additional condition as set out on page 120 of the Late Information Report.

43 ADOPTION OF THE WEST LANCASHIRE STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT 2020

Consideration was given to report of the Corporate Director of Place and Community as contained on pages 181 to 302 of the Book of Reports. The purpose of which, was for any agreed comments on the report, the Statement of Community Involvement 2020 (SCI) and its Addendum and the Consultation Report be referred to the Corporate Director of Place and Community for consideration, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder.

The following comments were agreed.

RESOLVED: (A) That the SCI should make clear that paper resources will be accepted for all consultations (rather than only allowing online responses for certain consultations).

(B) That the SCI should make explicitly clear that Ward Councillors can speak at Planning Committee.

(C) That the SCI should state that the Addendum only applies when Government restrictions require it to apply.

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- CHAIRMAN -