

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**HELD: Thursday, 25 November 2021**

Start: 19.00PM

Finish: 20.05PM

### **PRESENT:**

Councillor: D O'Toole (Chairman)  
J Finch (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: A Blundell  
N Delaney  
D Evans  
S Evans  
A Fennell  
G Owen  
E Pope  
J Thompson  
J Upjohn  
D Westley  
Mrs M Westley

In Attendance: Councillor J Mee (Tarleton Ward)  
Councillor G Johnson (Derby Ward)  
Councillor N Furey (Skelmersdale North Ward)

Officers: Alan Houghton, Interim Head of Growth and Development  
Catherine Thomas, Development, Heritage and Environment Manager  
Mark Loughran, Principal Planning Officer  
David Delaney, Legal Assistant (Planning)  
Jill Ryan, Senior Member Services Officer  
Chloe McNally, Apprentice Member Services

### 73 **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies for absence received.

### 74 **MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4, the Committee noted the termination of Councillor Mrs Baybutt and the appointment of Councillor David Westley for this meeting only, thereby giving effect to the wishes of the Political Groups.

### 75 **URGENT BUSINESS, IF ANY INTRODUCED BY THE CHAIRMAN**

There were no items of urgent business received.

### 76 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

**77 DECLARATIONS OF PARTY WHIP**

There were no Declarations of Party Whip.

**78 MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 14 October 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**79 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Corporate Director of Place and Community submitted a report on planning applications (all prefixed 2021 unless otherwise stated) as contained on pages 561 to 621 of the Book of Reports and on pages 623 to 626 of the Late Information Report.

(Notes:

1. In accordance with Regulatory Procedure Rule 7(a), Councillor Mee spoke in connection with planning application 0726/FUL, Land between 11 and 21 The Gravel, Mere Brow, Tarleton and left the meeting after consideration of this item.
2. In accordance with Regulatory Procedure Rule 7(a), Councillor Johnson spoke in connection with planning application 1095/FUL relating to 2A Vicarage Lane, Westhead.
3. 2 Objectors and the Agent spoke in connection with planning application 0726/FUL, Land between 11 and 21 The Gravel, Mere Brow, Tarleton and left the meeting after consideration of this item.)

**80 2021/0726/FUL - LAND BETWEEN 11 AND 21 THE GRAVEL, MERE BROW, TARLETON**

RESOLVED: That planning application 0726/FUL relating to Land between 11 and 21 The Gravel, Mere Brow, Tarleton be refused as below:-

The proposed development would result in the loss of existing open space which contributes to the character of Mere Brow and successful mitigation is not proposed, therefore the development is contrary to Policy EN3 of the West Lancashire Local Plan Development Plan Document 2012-27.

**81 2021/0885/FUL - ELM TREE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL, ELMERS WOOD ROAD, SKELMERSDALE**

RESOLVED: That planning application 0885/FUL relating to Elm Tree Community Primary School, Elmers Wood Road, Skelmersdale be approved subject to the conditions and reasons as set out on pages 576 to 578 of the Book of Reports.

**82 2020/1006/FUL - LAND ADJACENT TO ASHVIEW, FROG LANE, LATHOM**

RESOLVED: That planning application 2020/1006/FUL relating to Land Adjacent to Ashview, Frog Lane, Lathom be approved subject to the conditions and reasons as set out on pages 588 to 591 of the Book of Reports and with the amendment to Condition 3 of the report as below:-

Condition 3

The use shall not take place other than between the hours of :-

April to September inclusive

08.00 – 21.00 Monday to Friday

09.00 – 21.00 Saturdays

09.00 – 13.00 Sundays and Public Bank Holidays

October to March inclusive

08.00 – 18.00 Monday to Friday

09.00 – 18.00 Saturdays

09.00 – 13.00 Sunday and Public Bank Holidays

Reason

To safeguard the amenity of the adjacent properties and the area generally and so comply with the provisions of Policy GN3 in the adopted West Lancashire Local Plan 2021-2027 Development Plan Document.

**83 2021/0782/FUL - BUS STATION, MOOR STREET, ORMSKIRK**

RESOLVED: That planning application 0782/FUL relating to the Bus Station, Moor Street, Ormskirk be approved subject to the conditions and reasons as set out on pages 597 to 603 of the Book of Reports

**84 2021/1095/FUL - 2A VICARAGE LANE, WESTHEAD, ORMSKIRK**

RESOLVED: That planning application 1095/FUL relating to 2A Vicarage Lane, Westhead be refused as per the reasons for refusal set out on page 608 of the Book of Reports.

**85 2020/1134/FUL - YEW TREE FARM, HIGGINS LANE, BURSCOUGH**

RESOLVED: Planning application 2020/1134/FUL relating to Yew Tree Farm, Higgins Lane, Burscough had been withdrawn by Officers.

**86 2021/0506/FUL - LAND ADJACENT TO HIGGINS LANE, BURSCOUGH**

**RESOLVED:** That in respect of planning application 0506/FUL relating to Land Adjacent to Higgins Lane, Burscough

1. The decision to grant planning permission for a temporary period of three years be delegated to the Corporate Director of Place and Community subject to confirmation that the submitted ecology survey is satisfactory and subject to any additional ecology conditions as may be required.
2. That any planning permission granted by the Corporate Director of Place and Community be subject to the conditions and reasons as set out on pages 620 to 621 of the Book of Reports and with an additional condition and reason as set out on page 626 of the Late Information Report.

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**Chairman**