

PLANNING COMMITTEE

HELD: Thursday, 9 March 2017

Start: 7.30 P.M.

Finish: 9.40 P.M.

PRESENT:

Councillor: G Dowling (Chairman)
C Cooper (Vice-Chair)

Councillors: I Ashcroft Mrs P Baybutt
T Devine D Evans
C Marshall D McKay
M Mills D O'Toole
G Owen R Pendleton
E Pope A Pritchard
Mrs M Westley

Officers: Deputy Director of Development and Regeneration (Mr I Gill)
Head of Development Management (Mrs C Thomas)
Heritage and Environment Manager (Mr I Bond)
Principal Planning Officer (Mrs A Veevers)
Assistant Solicitor (Mrs J Williams)
Member Services/Civic Support Officer (Mrs J A Ryan)

In attendance: Councillor J Hodson (Portfolio Holder – Planning)
Councillor P Cotterill (Bickerstaffe Ward)
Councillor A Owens (Derby Ward)
Councillor N Delaney (Scott Ward)

68 **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies for absence received.

69 **MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE**

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 4, the Committee noted the termination of Councillors M. Nixon and A. Yates and the appointment of Councillors M. Mills and G Owen for this meeting only, thereby giving effect to the wishes of the Political Groups.

70 **URGENT BUSINESS**

There were no urgent items of business.

71 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Interest received.

72 **DECLARATIONS OF PARTY WHIP**

There were no declarations of Party Whip.

73 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 9 February 2017 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

74 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Director of Development and Regeneration, submitted a report on planning applications (all prefixed 2016 unless otherwise stated) as contained on pages 1187 to 1299 of the Book of Reports and on pages 1313 to 1317 giving details of late information.

RESOLVED A. That planning application 1183/FUL relating to Charlton, Quarry Drive, Aughton be refused for the following reason:-

The proposed development involves the demolition of an existing property which makes a positive contribution to the character and appearance of Granville Park Conservation Area. The loss of the existing dwelling would harm the character and appearance of the Conservation Area and fails to meet the Council's statutory duty under S.72 of the P(LBCA) Act 1990. The proposed development is contrary to Policy EN4 of the West Lancashire Local Plan 2012-2027 DPD, the guidance contained in Chapter 12 of the NPPF and the Council's Supplementary Planning Document Design Guide (January 2008).

B. That the under-mentioned planning applications be approved subject to the conditions in the report:-

0642/FUL; 1136/FUL; 1137/FUL;

C. That planning application 1163/FUL relating to Pool Hey Caravan Park, Pool Hey Lane, Scarisbrick be approved subject to the conditions as set out on pages 1296 and 1297 of the Book of Reports and an additional condition as set out below:-

Condition 10

The site shall be occupied by relatives of the applicants only.

Reason 10

In granting this permission the Local Planning Authority has had regard to the special circumstances of the case and wishes to have the opportunity of exercising control over any subsequent occupation in the event of the applicant vacating the premises, thereby ensuring any future occupation would not conflict with

the provisions of Policy GN1 in the adopted West Lancashire Local Plan 2012-2027 Development Plan Document.

- D. That planning application 1202/FUL relating to 7 Beech Road, Aughton be approved subject to the conditions as set out on pages 1204 to 1205 of the Book of Reports but subject to Condition 3 being amended to read:-

Condition 3

The development hereby approved shall be carried out in accordance with details shown on the following plans:-

Plans reference

A1184.01B

A1184.02D

A1184.04A

A1184.03C

- E. That planning application 0479/FUL relating to Land at the rear of 14A New Cut Lane, Halsall, Southport had been withdrawn by Officers for further consideration.
- F. That planning application 1173/FUL relating to 14A New Cut Lane, Halsall, Southport had been withdrawn by Officers for further consideration.
- G. That planning application 0866/FUL relating to Houseboat Green Matters, Chapel Lane, Parbold, be deferred for an organised site visit to assess the impact on the openness of the Green Belt.
- H. That delegated authority to grant planning permission be given to the Director of Development and Regeneration in consultation with the Chairman of the Planning Committee in respect of planning application 1278/FUL relating to 71 Thompson Avenue, Ormskirk, subject to negotiations taking place to reduce parking provision from 4 to 2 spaces and subject to the outcome of these negotiations, to consider whether it would be appropriate to impose a planning condition to protect the hedge in the rear garden.

(Notes:

1. In accordance with the procedure for public speaking on planning applications on this Committee, members of the public spoke in connection with planning application nos.1202/FUL, 0642/COU; 1136/FUL, 1137/LBC, 1278/FUL and 0866/FUL
2. In accordance with Regulatory Procedure Rule 7(b) Councillor Cotterill spoke in connection with Planning Application No 0642/COU relating to Shire Oaks, Wigan Road, Westhead, L40 6HY.
3. In accordance with Regulatory Procedure Rule 7(b) Councillor Owens spoke

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in connection with Planning Application No. 1278/FUL relating to 71 Thompson Avenue, Ormskirk, L39 2BG.

4. Parish Councillor R. Clayton from Lathom South Parish Council spoke in connection with Planning Application 0642/COU relating to Shire Oaks, Wigan Road, Westhead, L40 6HY.
5. Parish Councillor S. Holland from Parbold Parish Council spoke in connection with Planning Application 0866/FUL relating to Houseboat Green Matters, Chapel Lane, Parbold, WN8 7TN.
6. Councillor D. Evans left the Chamber during consideration of Planning Application 1137/LBC, Water Tower, Tower Hill, Ormskirk and therefore took no part in the decision making process in this application.)

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- CHAIRMAN -