

PLANNING COMMITTEE

HELD: Thursday, 19 April 2018

Start: 7.30 P.M.

Finish: 8.55 P.M.

PRESENT:

Councillor: G Dowling (Chairman)
M Mills (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: I Ashcroft Mrs P Baybutt
T Devine D Evans
G Hodson C Marshall
D O'Toole R Pendleton
A Pritchard Mrs M Westley
A Yates D Westley

Officers: Director of Development and Regeneration (Mr J Harrison)
Head of Development Manager (Mrs C Thomas)
Legal and Member Services Manager (Mr M Jones)
Planning Appeals Officer (Mrs E O Woollacott)
Member Services/Civic Support Officer (Mrs J A Ryan)

In attendance: Councillor J Gordon (Rufford Ward)

75 **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies for absence received.

76 **MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE**

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

77 **URGENT BUSINESS, IF ANY INTRODUCED BY THE CHAIRMAN**

There were no urgent items of business.

78 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor G. Hodson declared a pecuniary interest in respect of planning application 0158/ARM relating to Land Bounded by Liverpool Road South, Abbey Lane, Burscough as the applicant was known to her and therefore left the Chamber during consideration of this item.

79 **DECLARATIONS OF PARTY WHIP**

There were no Declarations of Party Whip.

80 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on the 22 March 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

81 **DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

RESOLVED: That the dates of the future meetings of the Planning Committee be approved.

82 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Director of Development and Regeneration submitted a report on planning applications (all prefixed 2017 unless otherwise stated) as contained on pages 1142 to 1193 of the Book of Reports and on pages 1205 to 1206 of the Late Information Report.

RESOLVED: A. That in respect of planning application 2018/0166/FUL relating to Charlton, Quarry Drive, Aughton, Ormskirk the decision to grant planning permission be delegated to the Director of Development and Regeneration in consultation with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee subject to the imposition of suitable conditions.

Reason for decision

The Local Planning Authority has considered the proposed development in the context of the Development Plan including, in particular, the following Policy/Policies in the adopted West Lancashire Local Plan 2012-2027 Development Plan Document:

Policy GN3 – Criteria for Sustainable Development

Policy RS1 – Residential development

Policy EN2 – Preserving and Enhancing West Lancashire's Natural Environment

together with Supplementary Planning Guidance and all relevant material considerations. The Local Planning Authority considers the additional supporting information demonstrates special circumstances to overcome the Council's objections to the scheme and does not consider that the proposed development would have a significant impact upon the character or appearance of the Conservation Area.

B. In respect of reserved matters application 0158/ARM relating to Land Bounded by Liverpool Road South, Abbey Lane, Burscough be approved subject to the conditions as set out on pages 1159 to 1161 of the Book of Reports.

- C. That planning application 1198/FUL relating to Land to the North-west of Mere Farm, Holmeswood Road, Rufford be deferred for one cycle to allow further negotiation with the applicant regarding the siting of the agricultural building.

- D. That in respect of planning application 0907/OUT relating to the Martin Inn, Martin Lane, Burscough:-
 - 1. That the decision to grant planning permission be delegated to the Director of Development and Regeneration 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

Terms and conditions of the affordable housing units.

- 2. That any planning permission granted by the Director of Development and Regeneration pursuant to recommendation 1 above be subject to the conditions as set out on pages 1187 to 1193 of the Book of Reports.

(Notes:

- 1. In accordance with the procedure for public speaking on planning applications on this Committee, the agent and 2 objectors spoke in connection with application no. 1198/FUL relating to Land to the North-West of Mere Farm, Holmeswood Road, Rufford.
- 2. In accordance with Regulatory Procedure Rule 7(b) Councillor Gordon spoke in connection with Planning Application 1198/FUL).
- 3. Councillor G. Hodson had declared a pecuniary interest in respect of planning application 0158/ARM Land Bounded by Liverpool Road South Abbey Lane, Burscough and left the Chamber during consideration of this item.
- 4. Councillor Gordon left the Chamber at the conclusion of planning application 1198/FUL Land to the North-West of Mere Farm, Holmeswood Road, Rufford and was not present for the remainder of the meeting.

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- **CHAIRMAN** -