

PLANNING & LICENSING COMMITTEE  
9<sup>th</sup> February 2010

PRESENT: Councillor K. Arbuckle in the Chair.

Councillors: J. Arbuckle, I. Scott, G. Kneeshaw, N. Hunt,

In attendance: T. Ferry, Mr Hughes.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors R. Hardcastle, S. Ellis, T. Crossfield, S. Whitlock, A. Barker, and Mr Shallcroft,

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – Councillor N. Hunt declared an interest in Woodbottom Mills because his business is located at this site and of the close proximity of his residence to the site.

3. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC – There were no members of the public in attendance at the meeting.

4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2010 were received and confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings and duly signed by the Chair.

5. MATTERS ARISING

a. Arrow Taxis – The Town Clerk has written again to Arrow Taxis and received an email response advising that all their drivers have been informed to collect their passengers from the designated pick up/drop off area in Morrison's car park.

RESOLVED – To note this report.

b. Morrison's Car Park Signage – The Town Clerk reported that he has contacted Mr Michael Spence of Morrison's regarding the road signage still not being put in place. Mr Spence advised the Town Clerk that the Architects services have been terminated and this has caused some delay which he, Mr Spence, will action as soon as possible.

K. Arbuckle still believes the car park should be re-designed into a one way system.

RESOLVED – To note this report.

c. Carl Lapworth, Leeds Bradford Airport – The town Clerk reported that he sent a second letter on the 29<sup>th</sup> January asking for a response requesting to hold a public consultation on Noise Pollution. No response has been received to date.

RESOLVED – To note this report.

6. LEEDS CITY COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS

A list of Leeds City Council Planning decisions was presented to Members for consideration.

RESOLVED – To note the decisions made by Leeds City Council.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM LEEDS CITY COUNCIL

A list of planning applications received was presented as an attachment for Members to consider.

RESOLVED – That the Planning & Licensing Committee comments which are attached at Appendix 1 to these minutes, be sent to Leeds City Council Planning department.

8. LICENSING APPLICATIONS

There were no licensing applications for Members to consider.

9. KIRKSTALL FORGE LAISON GROUP

Minutes of the Kirkstall Forge Liaison Group meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2010 were circulated and addressed by Mr Hughes. Mr Hughes reported that no building works will be carried out in 2010, and if any works are carried out it will be infrastructure works to the area around the station.

He then reported that with the residential market not being very good, the developers are concentrating on the commercial aspect of the development. He went on to inform Members that this will have an impact on the residential site, which will change from construction of flats and apartments to maisonettes and houses, and will result in fewer dwellings.

The developers are planning to pre-sell units using a unique package to attract big names. They are producing a brochure, which will be available in due course.

The date of the next meeting is the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2010 Mr Hughes will attend this meeting and report back to the next Planning & Licensing Committee meeting.

RESOLVED

- a. To note Mr Hughes report.
- b. Mr Hughes to attend the meeting of the Kirkstall Forge Liaison Group on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2010 and report back to the Committee.

10. HORSFORTH DESIGN STATEMENT

Councillor K. Arbuckle informed Members that the date of the next meeting has not been published.

RESOLVED – To note this report.

11. LEEDS BRADFORD AIRPORT

Councillor I. Scott informed Members that he attended the Leeds Bradford Airport Management meeting and raised two issues:

- a. Noise Pollution Survey. Councillor Scott asked why LBA have not responded to Horsforth Town Council's letter requesting to have a public consultation about noise pollution. LBA management responded that they are consulting via documents being available in Horsforth Library.

Councillor Scott informed LBA that this did not constitute a public consultation. LBA informed Councillor Scott that they do intend to hold Community Briefings, one in Horsforth and one in Menston.

- b. Taxis and unfair trading. Councillor Scott discussed with LBA the cost to each taxi owner to collect fares from the airport terminal. There appears to be two charges, one for Arrow Taxis, and another more costly for other owners. Councillor Scott pointed out that this might be construed as 'Unfair Trading'. There also appears to be a higher tariff charged to customers by Arrow Taxis. Councillor Scott informed Members that a further report will be provided on Taxis at the next meeting.

Councillor Scott finished his report by advising Members that the LBA Committee should be reviewed every year. Recently an application to join the Committee was refused by the Chairman of the Joint Committee.

RESOLVED – To note Councillor Scott's reports.

## 12. WOODBOTTOM MILLS, LOW HALL ROAD

Councillor Hunt informed Members that this is not a planning application yet, and that he raised the issue because a demolition application has been put in place. The demolition is for the existing buildings, which are in a state of self-demolishing anyway. He then informed Members that he has been in communication with the portfolio manager for the site, who has clearly stated that the area is not suitable for residential dwellings. Councillor Hunt believes this information to be important because of the proximity of the Riverside Mills and Clariant sites, which are both in the process of presenting their Planning Applications for residential dwellings. Members thanked Councillor Hunt for this report and asked if he could keep this Committee informed of any developments. It was also agreed to put this item for future agenda.

RESOLVED – That this item be put on the agenda for the next meeting, and that Councillor Hunt informs this Committee of any developments on this issue.

## 13. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA Woodbottom Mills, Low hall Road

The next meeting of the Planning & Licensing Committee is to be held on Tuesday the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2010.

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