

PLANNING COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2009

Present:- Councillor K. Arbuckle in the Chair

Councillors:- I. Scott; J. R. Hardcastle; N. Hunt; A. Barker; G. Kneeshaw;  
G. Hudson; and J. Arbuckle

In attendance: - Mr. B. Shallcroft; T. Ferry and V. Watson

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors S. Whitlock; S. Ellis and C. Windsor.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Members declared an interest in the Planning Application submitted to this Committee by Leeds City Council in regard to the change of use of the former Library to Youth Services Offices because of the Horsforth Town Council being housed in the same building.

Councillor A. Barker declared a further interest in this same application owing to him being employed by Leeds City Council as a Councillor.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2009 were received and confirmed as being a true and accurate record of the proceedings subject to minute 8, 1<sup>st</sup> paragraph being changed to read that 'Councillor Barker said that as he will be attending that meeting' and not Mr. Shallcroft. The minutes were then duly signed by the Chair

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes

5. LEEDS CITY COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS

A list of Leeds City Council Planning decisions were submitted for Members information

RESOLVED – To note the decisions made by Leeds City Council on the submitted list of planning applications for the Horsforth Area.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR COMMENT SINCE THE LAST MEETING HELD ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2009

P/09/00571/FU/HW – 20 Victoria Drive

Members were concerned that the fascia board which is to replace a pitched roof to a front single storey extension will be out of keeping with the street scene.

P/09/00619/FU/HW – Layton Grange, Layton Road

Members believed that this application which was for the demolition of attached stalls and detached garage and stable block and the construction of a single storey detached building comprising of a five vehicle garage and swimming pool was in a Green Belt Area.

P/09/00485/FU.W – Laurel Bank, Newlay Wood Road

Members were unhappy about this application because they were concerned to see garden development in a conservation area, although they were informed at the meeting that this application was submitted to the Plans West Committee last week and was refused.

P/09/00648/LA/W – Former Horsforth Library

Members commented on this application which was for change of use of former library to youth services offices on the grounds that the car parking has not been considered for the development and future use of the building. They stated that the existing parking spaces referred to in the application are already designated spaces for the general public frequenting the library and there are only 7 spaces, 2 of which are disabled spaces.

P/09/00784/FU/W – 61 Broadgate Lane

Members commented on this application which was for 1 detached 3 bedroom dwelling to garden site and said that they would like to see the retention of 2 silver birch trees on this development

RESOLVED – That the comments made on the above planning applications be forwarded to the Planning Department for their consideration

7. LICENSING APPLICATIONS

Kobe, 106-108 New Road Side, Horsforth

A Licensing application asking for variance on a current premises license was submitted.

The current premises licence permits Late Night refreshment from 23.00 – 00.30 and the sale of alcohol from 11.00 – 00.30 and now wants to include the following; Films; Live Music; Recorded Music; anything of a similar description; facilities for making music; facilities for dancing and facilities for entertainment of a similar description. As the objection period expiry date was the day before Committee Councillor K. Arbuckle submitted the following comments to the Licensing Section, Leeds City Council on behalf of the Horsforth Town Council:-

Public Nuisance –

1. Operators of Kobe need to ensure that all the outside areas are cleared and doors closed to minimise noise and nuisance after 10.30 p.m.

2. Behind the Kobe premises it is predominately a residential area. The Council feel that a variation to the existing license could have an effect on the well being and quality of life to residents in this area.  
Public Safety
3. Operators need to ensure that the public areas outside are kept clear to allow safe foot passage and vehicular movement at all times

RESOLVED – That the information submitted by Councillor K. Arbuckle be noted

#### 8. KIRKSTALL FORGE LIAISON GROUP

Councillor K. Arbuckle report on a recent meeting of the Kirkstall Forge Liaison Group and said that most of the meeting was taken up on how the site was progressing but that there was discussion also about the 106 money which attendees were quite vocal about.

RESOLVED – That the information submitted by Councillor K. Arbuckle be noted

#### 9. LEEDS AND BRADFORD AIRPORT

Councillor I. Scott said that recently complaints have been made by local residents in regard to the Franchise awarded by the Airport to Arrow Taxis and this was because the fare charges far exceeded other taxis services in the area. He said that he would be passing on the concerns to the next Airport meeting in May. He also mentioned that the links to London will be soon discontinued and this was because of exorbitant landing charges.

RESOLVED – That the information given by Councillor Scott be noted

#### 10. ST. JOSEPH'S INTEGRATED CARE VILLAGE

Members were asked at the last Council meeting, where a presentation was given in regard to the new development of the St. Joseph's Integrated Care Village, to collate their views and submit them to the board for their consideration.

The comments made by Members at the meeting were as follows: - The Outwood Lane frontage too high; would like to see the positioning of the building turned around a little; one storey too high; not in favour with the ultra modern design which appears to be out of character with the area; unconventional shape which is impractical and out of keeping with the local surrounding community. Members did add that they were happy with the concept but not in favour of the design of the building.

RESOLVED – That the comments made by Members in regard to the new St. Joseph's Integrated Care Village development be submitted to the board for their consideration.

#### 11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS NOT MENTIONED ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Tom Ferry informed Members that to obtain 'Google earth' would be beneficial to the Planning Committee but to do this he would require a router.

RESOLVED – That agreement be made for Mr. Ferry to purchase a router in order to obtain Google earth which would be beneficial to the Planning Committee when considering Planning Applications.

12. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

No suggestions were made for future agenda.

13. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date and time of the next Planning Committee meeting is the 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2009 at 7.30 p.m.