

PLANNING & LICENSING COMMITTEE
Wednesday 20th October 2009

Present: Councillor K. Arbuckle in the Chair

Councillors: J. Arbuckle, I. Scott, R. Hardcastle, S. Whitlock, G. Kneeshaw, C. Windsor and N. Hunt.

In attendance: T. Ferry and B. Shallcroft of the Horsforth Civic Society.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A. Barker.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor S. Whitlock declared an interest in the Wood Lane planning application because she is a member of the WNW Housing panel.

3. CO-OPT MEMBERSHIP TO THIS COMMITTEE

Mr Shallcroft of the Horsforth Civic Society was asked to leave the meeting whilst this item was discussed. Members discussed co-opting the Horsforth Civic Society to this Committee. It was proposed by R. Hardcastle and seconded by G. Kneeshaw to co-opt the Horsforth Civic Society to this Committee.

RESOLVED – That the Horsforth Civic Society be co-opted to the Planning & Licensing Committee.

Mr Shallcroft was then allowed to re-enter the meeting.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RESOLVED - That the minutes of meetings held on the 23rd July, 5th August, 16th September and the 29th September were received and confirmed as true and accurate records of the proceedings and they were all duly signed by the Chair.

5. MATTERS ARISING

Minutes of the 29th September, St Joseph's Care Village Application.

Councillor K. Arbuckle reported that she, and Chair of Council, has been to discussions and meetings with local residents and Leeds City Council Planning department. Mr Jorysz of Leeds planning department informed attendees at the second meeting that the application time is to be extended to allow the public to make comment or object to the application. He then advised that this process will take considerably more time because of the amount of consultees. Councillor K. Arbuckle informed Members of the general comments about the application from those who attended the meeting. These were disappointment about the old building being demolished before the application has been approved, the potential volume of traffic, safety issues with deliveries etc, height and sighting of the building and a lot of concern about the shape of the building.

RESOLVED – That this report be noted by Members.

6. LEEDS CITY COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS

A list of Leeds City Council Planning decisions was presented as an attachment for Members to consider. Members discussed Leeds City Council Planning department reasons for refusal of the planning application for Craggwood Manor Wood Lane.

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 LIAISON GROUP
It was reported that no Council Member attended the last meeting of this group.
10. HORSFORTH DESIGN STATEMENT
Councillor K. Arbuckle informed members that the Design Statement will be forwarded to Leeds City Council Planning department for a preliminary review as soon as the statement is ready.
RESOLVED – That this report be noted by Members.
11. LEEDS BRADFORD AIRPORT
Councillor I. Scott advised Members that the next meeting is on the 12th November.
12. MORRISON'S CAR PARK
Councillor J. Arbuckle reported that he and Councillor K. Arbuckle had recently met with the Morrison's project manager and architect to discuss safety issues in the car park. They have agreed to introduce new road markings and signage, they have also agreed to write to Arrow Taxis to ask them to pick up and drop off at the taxi bay and not at the bottom of the ramp. Councillor J. Arbuckle has advised Morrison's that the Town Clerk will also write to Arrow taxis and ask them to use the taxi bay.
RESOLVED
 - a. That the Town Clerk write to Arrow Taxis.
 - b. That this report be noted by Members.
13. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA
Co-opt membership of Newlay Conservation Society to the Planning & Licensing Committee.
14. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING
The next meeting is to be held on the 17th November 2009 at 7.30pm.