

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE OLD COURT ROOM, THE SESSIONS HOUSE, LOUTH
ON TUESDAY 14th JUNE 2016**

Present Councillor Mrs. S. Crew (SC) (in the chair)

Councillors: Mrs. E. Ballard (EB), J. Garrett (JG), C. Green (CG), D.J.E. Hall (DJEH), G.E. Horton JP (GEH), D. Hobson (DH), R. Jackson (RJ), A. Leonard (AL), M. Locking (ML), Mrs. S.E. Locking (SEL), Mrs. J. Makinson-Sanders (JMS), Mrs. M. Ottaway MBE (MO), L.M. Stephenson (LMS), F.W.P. Treanor (FWPT), D.E. Wing (DEW) and Mrs. P.F. Watson (PFW)

Councillors not present: A.D.C. Austin (ADCA), Mrs. D. Blakey (DB), Mrs. L. Harrison-Wiseman (LHW), D. Turner (DT)

The Town Clerk, Mrs. L.J. Blankley, her Secretary Mrs. L.M. Phillips and thirteen members of the public were also present.

Public Forum:

- Mr. D. Adams spoke on behalf of local residents with regard to their objections to the planning application for Land adjacent to 82 Eastfield Road.
- Mr. Cook spoke regarding the Louth Athletics Club (LAC) planning application and his objections thereto. Cllr. EB declared an interest as the President of the LAC

62. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Mrs DB, Mrs. LHW and DT.

63. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman had no remarks to make.

64. Declarations of Interest / Dispensations

The following declarations of interest were declared:

- a. Cllr. Mrs. PFW – any item from or relating to ELDC or Magna Vitae – as a member of both and planning application 13 – as a neighbour.
- b. Cllr. RJ – item 7 – as a member of ELDC.
- c. Cllr. EB – planning application 7 – as the President of the Louth Athletics Club.
- d. Cllr. DEW – planning application 13 – as a dog walker on Louth Athletics Club land.
- e. Cllr. DH – planning application 2 – as an acquaintance of the applicant.
- f. Cllr. JMS – items 7, 8 and 9 – as a member of ELDC and planning application 14 – as the cousin of the applicant.
- g. Cllr. AL – planning applications 2, 4, 5 and 13 – as an acquaintance of the applicant
- h. Cllr. GEH – planning application 15 – as an acquaintance of the applicant.

65. Committee Minutes

Following a proposal by Cllr. DJEH, seconded by Cllr. AL it was **RESOLVED** that the notes of the meeting held on 24th May 2016 were approved as the Minutes.

66. Town Clerk's Report on Matters Outstanding

The Town Clerk had no outstanding matters to report on.

67. Applications received by the Local Planning Authority

The Committee considered the applications listed in the schedule (PA/Schedule 06-14-16) and **RESOLVED** as follows:

- a. 6) N/105/01112/16 - Former 82 Mount Pleasant – LTC was unable to comment on this application as the description of a bungalow and detached double on the application does not match the plan layout and elevation/s of the bungalow which shows an integral garage, and there is no garage indicated on the site or location plans.

- b. 7) N/105/00386/16 – Louth Athletics Club – Cllr. Mrs. PFW declared an interest in this application - Whilst Louth Town Council support the activities of Louth Athletics Club the council wishes to register its OBJECTION to this application on the following grounds: Lack of Robust Flood Risk Assessment and drainage proposals combined with proposed capping methods may lead to adverse consequences on drainage systems downstream and in particular Stewarton Beck, which has suffered from historic flooding episodes. The functional nature of the fencing required around the pitches will have a negative impact on this gateway approach into Louth and on the adjacent AONB. Louth Town Council archive correspondence shows that previous test trenches, to investigate the former waste tip land, before the construction of the current running track indicated that this land would not be suitable for any more substantial use such as that proposed. Members are aware that the land suffers from subsidence and will require reassurance that there are no further health and safety risks to participants using the site. Louth Town Council has been informed that this proposal is being assisted by an alternative site provider of a step 4 level facility and may therefore be required to advance this application from a step 7 which will require additional facilities such as flood lighting and more robust protective surroundings and supporter and player facilities. The lack of detail and management plan does not allow any further scrutiny of future use proposals – Cllrs. Mrs. EB, Mrs. PFW and Mrs. MO did not vote.
- c. 8) N/105/00909/16 – Land rear of 64 Kenwick Road – LTC OBJECTED to the detailed particulars of this development on the grounds of lack of up to date Flood Risk Assessment (2014) which would indicate whether the proposals are robust enough to prevent any impact on residents in areas historically affected by Stewarton Beck. Councillors are aware that previous alleviation measures carried out by local authorities have still not stopped flooding occurring and need to be convinced that this development will not worsen the situation again and request an updated review be prepared. Whilst Councillors are aware that the principle of outline planning has been given there is a repeated concern that the volume of traffic generated from this site will have an adverse impact on local residents and through traffic.
- d. 11) N/105/01121/16 – Land adjacent to 82 Eastfield Road – Louth Town Council again OBJECT to the detailed particulars. The only previous objection that has been addressed is the increasing of the buffer zone to separate the new properties from those on Park Row. However this has had a detrimental impact on the whole development in density terms as the total number of properties has not been reduced accordingly. The compact density of the revised layout and non-traditional designs used will also have an adverse impact on the rural transition zone entering from one of the town's main routes to the East. Louth Town Council continues to support the neighbouring residents of Park Row who have grave concerns regarding the plans and also those on Eastfield Road who may also suffer the consequences from any failings of the robustness of the SUDs proposals. There remain concerns regarding the surface water infrastructure to deal with the output from this site.
- Cllr. GEH left the meeting at 8.32pm.
- e. 16) N/105/02468/15 – 18-20 Ramsgate Road - LTC continue to OBJECT to the proposal to remove the historic façade of the building.

68. Next Meeting

The Council noted that the date of the next scheduled meeting was 28th June 2016.

The Meeting Closed at 8.42pm.

Signed _____ (Chairman)

Dated _____