

**MINUTES OF THE LOUTH TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE OLD COURT ROOM, THE SESSIONS HOUSE, LOUTH
ON TUESDAY 17TH JULY 2018**

Present Councillor D.J.E. Hall (DJEH), (in the chair).

Councillors: Mrs. S. Crew (SC), C. Green (CG), D. Hobson (DH), G.E. Horton (GEH), R. Jackson (RJ), A. Leonard (AL), M. Locking (ML), Mrs. S.E. Locking (SEL), Mrs. J. Makinson-Sanders (JMS), Mrs. M. Ottaway (MO), L.M. Stephenson (LMS), F.W.P. Treanor (FWPT) and D. Turner (DT)

Councillors not present: Mrs. E. Ballard (EB), Mrs. D. Blakey (DB), J. Garrett (JG), Mrs. L. Harrison-Wiseman (LHW), Mrs. J. Speed (JS), Mrs. P.F. Watson and D.E. Wing

The Town Clerk, Mrs. L.M. Phillips and 6 members of the public were also present.

Two members of the public spoke in the public forum, as follows:

- A lady spoke on behalf of herself and her neighbours voicing their many objections to planning application N/105/00998/18.
- A lady spoke on application N/105/01214/18 conveying her concerns for her Ornamental Cherry Tree and asking for a condition to be placed on any approval specifying that it be preserved.

98. Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Mrs. EB, Mrs. DB, JG, Mrs. LHW, Mrs. JS, Mrs. PFW and DEW.

99. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman invited the Vice Chairman, Cllr. Mrs. SC to speak who confirmed that she and Cllr. RJ had attended a recent ELDC Planning Committee Meeting to object on behalf of Louth Town Council and local residents respectively, to the variation of a condition on the 82 Eastfield Road application. She reported that, unfortunately, the application had been supported by ELDC in the end, who had disappointed both Cllrs. Mrs. SC and RJ by informing them that it was a technical matter and they would defer to the experts not to the knowledge of locals.

100. Declarations of Interest / Dispensations

The following declarations of interest were made:

- a. Cllrs. RJ, FWPT, CG, Mrs. SC, DJEH, DT and DH – planning applications 12 and 13 – as acquaintances of the applicant.
- b. Cllr. AL – planning application 12 and 13 – as the applicant.
- c. Cllr. Mrs. JMS – agenda item 5. – as a member of ELDC.
- d. Cllrs. CG and DT – planning application 2 – as acquaintances of the applicant.

101. Minutes

Following a proposal by Cllr. Mrs. SC, seconded by Cllr. Mrs. MO it was **RESOLVED** to approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 19th June 2018.

102. Applications received by the Local Planning Authority

The Committee considered all planning applications received, including those listed in the schedule (PA/Schedule 07-17-18) and **RESOLVED** as follows:

- a. N/105/00783/18 – object on the grounds that this proposal is overbearing and out of keeping in this residential area. It may adversely affect neighbouring properties by causing surface water movement resulting in flooding (see NPPF para 108) and there are concerns that the property will be used for commercial purposes.
- b. N/105/00998/18 – object on the grounds that there is inadequate parking, the proposals are overbearing, neighbours will be overlooked, will lose privacy and will be overshadowed. The access is inadequate, any blockage would result in residents of the proposed development being trapped causing potential health and safety concerns, there will be a conflict between vehicles using the adjacent service station and vehicles using the development access and the access is too narrow for emergency vehicles to use. The proposals go against paragraph 125 of the NPPF. Neighbouring properties have not been consulted individually. There are concerns over the layout and density of the proposed buildings. There does not appear to be anywhere for the proposed properties bins to be presented for

- emptying which could cause all manner of noise, smell and highways disturbance when they are left on Newmarket. The Council consider this to be back land development which should not be approved.
- c. N/105/01069/18 – object on the grounds that it will have a detrimental impact on neighbouring properties in respect of overlooking, loss of privacy and overshadowing (due to the significant difference in site levels) and possibly flooding due to surface water runoff resulting from new hard surface areas as proposed. The lack of details regarding drainage was found to be inadequate and the loss of a hedge also raises concerns re. loss of ecological habitats. If this application is supported by ELDC, Louth Town Council would like to see, at the very least, a condition attached which specifies that newly created hard surfaces (e.g., driveway) should be of a permeable material.
Cllr. GEH arrived at 7.26pm.
Cllr GEH declared an interest in planning applications 6, 12 and 13 as an acquaintance of the applicants.
Cllr. AL left the room during discussion of planning applications 12 and 13 N/105/02510/18 and N/105/02511/16.
 - d. To support all other applications.

103. Proposed Work to Trees

The Committee noted the following proposed works to trees:

- a. **Location:** Headmasters House, Deighton Hall, Deighton Close – **Proposals:** T1 and T2 Cherry – Fell and replace with native species. T3 Sycamore – Fell. T4 Mixed Conifers – Fell. T5 Yews – Prune to return to a hedge. – **Reasons:** T3 is a poor specimen and will allow for more space for better trees and to develop. T4 – Trees have grown together and are poor specimens.

104. Next Meeting

The Committee noted that the next scheduled meeting of the Planning Committee would take place on 14th August 2018.

The Meeting Closed at 7.46pm.

Signed _____ (Chairman)

Dated _____