

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE  
HELD IN THE OLD COURT ROOM, THE SESSIONS HOUSE, LOUTH  
ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016**

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

**Councillors:** Mrs. E. Ballard (EB), Mrs. D. Blakey (DB), C. Green (CG), J. Garrett (JG), D.J.E. Hall (DJEH), Mrs. L. Harrison-Wiseman (LHW), 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), D. Turner (DT), Mrs. P.F. Watson (PFW) and D.E. Wing

**Councillors not present:** F.W.P. Treanor (FWPT), G.E. Horton (GEH)

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

**192. Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillors FWPT and GEH.

**193. Chairman's Remarks**

The Chairman confirmed that the planning application for a football pitch on the Louth Athletics Association site had been passed. She reported that the reasons for this had been circulated to Councillors by email. Cllr. Mrs. JMS apologised, as the ward councillor, for not having called the application in.

**194. Declarations of Interest / Dispensations**

The following declarations of interest were received:

- a. Cllr. Mrs. PFW – any item from or relating to ELDC – as a member of ELDC and planning application 17 – as a neighbour of the applicant.
- b. Cllr. Mrs. MO – planning application 16 – as an acquaintance of the applicant.
- c. Cllr. Mrs. LHW – planning applications 15 and 16 – as an acquaintance of the applicant.
- d. Cllr. DH – planning application 9 – as an acquaintance of the applicant.
- e. Cllr. Mrs. EB – planning applications 9 and 16 – as an acquaintance of the applicants.
- f. Cllr. Mrs. JMS – agenda items 6, 7 and 8 – as a member of ELDC.
- g. Cllr. AL – planning applications 9, 13, 14 and 17 – as an acquaintance of the applicants and catering business owner in the town.

**195. Minutes**

Following a proposal by Cllr. DJEH, seconded by Cllr. AL it was **RESOLVED** by vote of the Committee that the notes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2016 be approved as the Minutes.

**196. Town Clerk's Report on Matters Outstanding**

The Town Clerk had no outstanding matters to report on.

**197. Applications received by the Local Planning Authority**

The Committee considered the applications listed in the schedule (PA/Schedule 09-13-16) and **RESOLVED** as follows:

- a. N/105/01296/16 – to object to the wall which has already been completed on the grounds that this address is in a prominent position within the Conservation Area and that as such the materials are not in keeping with those that would have been specified had permission been obtained and that the workmanship and 'design layout' is poor quality and out of keeping with the original work remaining. Cllr PFW was asked to call the plans in.
- b. N/105/01474/16 – to object to this application on the grounds that development of this land has been refused in the past due to its location within a known high flood risk area.

- c. N/105/01680/16 - object to this application on the grounds of over-intensification within the site, lack of clarity regarding treatment and on-going maintenance of Surface Water attenuation schemes which is essential as there are known flooding problems in this area. As highlighted in LTC response to Local Plan consultations there is an increasing cumulative impact of the added vehicular traffic generated from this area of the town which is causing road safety issues and traffic backlogs at junctions such as Keddington Road / Victoria Road in addition to the single file traffic encountered on those roads themselves. Additional traffic will only exacerbate the problems for which there are no current solutions. It is known that there are Badger Setts in this area and there is no evidence of a Bat survey being completed. Generally the data that has been used in support of this application is not current. Cllr. CG was asked to call the application in at ELDC.
- d. All other applications were supported.

**198. Planning Correspondence**

The Committee noted that the following notifications had been received:

- a. Planning Enforcement
  - i. 37 Westgate – no further action to be taken.

**199. Proposed Work To Trees**

The Committee considered the following proposed works to trees and it was **RESOLVED** as follows:

- a. 54 Westgate T1 – 16 (see attached for details) – Proposed by Cllr. RJ, seconded by Cllr. DT to object to the felling of the Walnut tree and comment that some of the notes somewhat contradictory regarding wildlife concerns and would prefer the tree officer to look through thoroughly, whose recommendations we would be happy to follow.

Cllrs. Mrs. LHW and Mrs. DB left the meeting.

- b. 37 Brackenborough Road – Fell Monkey Puzzle Tree to harvest timber to renovate kitchen. Object to the removal of a landscape tree that was there when they acquired the property. Proposed by Cllr. AL, seconded by Cllr. EJ.
- c. Pasture Drive T2 – Sycamore (Actually Ash) – remove all overhanging branches back to fence line – overhangs property, falling debris blocking gutters and cutting out light. Support. Proposed by Cllr. Mrs. MO, seconded by Cllr. JG.
- d. 23 Gospelgate – Fell T1 Leyland Cypress and T2 Sycamore – no reasons given. Support felling of Sycamore but object to felling of Cypress. Proposed by Cllr. AL, seconded by Cllr. DEW.

**200. Correspondence**

The Committee noted that the following correspondence had been received:

- a. **From: Brackenborough Road Resident Re:** Objection to Brackenborough Rd / Keddington Rd development – overlooking, traffic safety concerns, road overcrowding / compromised junctions concerns and knowledge of local badger sett. (Also available on ELDC site). Cllr. CG informed Councillors that he had arranged a public meeting to take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> September from 7.30pm at the Trinity Centre. Applicants, LCC Highways, Anglian Water and ELDC Cllrs had been invited to attend.

**201. Next Meeting**

Councillors noted that the date of the next scheduled meeting was 27<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

The Meeting Closed at 9.12pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Chairman)

Dated \_\_\_\_\_