



**MINUTE OF MEETING of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held within the COUNCIL
CHAMBER, GREENFIELD, ALLOA, on THURSDAY 18Th MARCH 2010 at 9.30 am.**

Present:

Councillor Alastair Campbell (Convener)
Councillor Tina Murphy (Vice Convener)
Councillor Kenneth Earle
Councillor Mark English
Councillor George Matchett
Councillor Bobby McGill
Councillor Harry McLaren
Councillor Derek Stewart

In Attendance:

Stephen Bell, Head of Development Services
Ian Duguid, Principal Planner
David Thomson, Legal Services Manager (Clerk to the Committee)

PLA(10)135 APOLOGIES AND SUBSTITUTIONS

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Walter McAdam, MBE and Councillor Gary Womersley.

PLA(10)136 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Murphy declared a non-financial interest in agenda item 4 (Report on Handling on Planning Application Ref. 09/00019/FULL) as the Council's representative on Ochil View Housing Association. Councillor Murphy stated that as she took no part in the business planning of Ochil View she would take part in the debate and vote on this item.

PLA(10)137 MINUTE OF MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 21st JANUARY, 2010

The Committee unanimously approved the minute of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Thursday 29th October 2009 as a correct record of proceedings. The minute of the meeting was signed by the Convener.

PLA(10)138 REPORT OF HANDLING ON PLANNING APPLICATION

Erection of 39 Houses with Associated Roads, Footpaths, Drainage and Landscaping at Playing Pitch and Open Space and former Builders Yard, Keilarsbrae, Sauchie, Clackmannanshire (Ref: 09/00019/FULL)

A report of the handling on the above noted planning application was submitted by the Principal Planner. The report considered the application proposals in the context of the Council's Development Plan, other material considerations, consultation responses and representations. The application had been referred to the Planning Committee for decision as the Council owns part of the application site.

Oral representation were made by:

Colin Machin, Machin Associates, Agents for the Applicant; and
Kenneth Archbold, Objector

Motion

To approve the application subject to the terms and conditions as set out in the report. The reasons for approval are:

1. The proposals involve redevelopment of a vacant and derelict brownfield site.
2. The proposals involve development of affordable housing on the former builders yard, which is identified for housing in the adopted Local Plan.
3. The proposals enable the provision of compensatory recreational facilities in lieu of the kick about pitch on the site.
4. The proposals involve a high quality of development design and layout that take account of the new Government policies on residential development and will enhance the site and surroundings.
5. The proposals therefore comply with the Council's adopted Development Plan and there are no material considerations that would indicate that the application should not be approved.
6. The Finalised Alteration to the Local Plan proposes the whole site for housing development and is therefore a significant material consideration in support of the application.

Moved by Councillor Alastair Campbell, seconded by Provost Derek Stewart.

Decision

The Committee agreed unanimously to approve the motion, subject to the conditions laid out in the report.

Action

Head of Development Services

On behalf of Councillor Gary Womersley, Councillor Mark English asked that the Committee members recognise and acknowledge the contribution of Stephen Bell as Head of Development Services to the Planning Committee, Development Services itself, the Council and Clackmannanshire.

The Committee agreed unanimously with Councillors Womersley's statement.

Ends: 10.03 am

