

MINUTE OF MEETING of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held within the Council Chamber, Greenfield, Alloa, FK10 2AD, on THURSDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2013 at 9.30 am.

PRESENT

Councillor Graham Watt, Vice Convenor (In the Chair)
Councillor Kenneth Earle
Councillor Walter McAdam MBE
Councillor Bobby McGill
Councillor Tina Murphy
Councillor Les Sharp
Councillor Gary Womersley
Councillor Irene Hamilton (S)*

IN ATTENDANCE

Julie Hamilton, Development Services Manager
Ian Duguid, Development Quality Team Leader
Andrew Wyse, Solicitor (Clerk to the Committee)

PLA030 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Alastair Campbell, George Matchett QPM, and Ellen Forson. *Councillor Irene Hamilton attended as substitute for Councillor Ellen Forson.

PLA031 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Les Sharp declared a non financial interest in Item 6 (PLA035) "Construction of a Decked Viewing Platform at Community Woodland to North and West of Ochil Road Menstrie" and Item 7 (PLA036) "Formation of Car Park Lay-By With Associated Path Into Burial Ground at Fir Park, Tillicoultry" as he is the Council's representative on the Ochils Landscape Partnership.

PLA032 MINUTES OF MEETING: PLANNING COMMITTEE 13 DECEMBER 2012

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 13 December 2012 were submitted for approval.

Decision

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 13 December 2012 were approved as a correct record of the proceedings and were signed by the Vice Convenor.

PLA0033 PLANNING APPLICATION - AMENDED PROPOSALS

Application for amended proposals to Planning Permission Ref No. 12/00021/FULL at Speirs Centre, Alloa (Ref No. 12/00278/FULL) - Alteration, Extension and Partial Change of Use of Indoor Sports Centre (Class 11) to Library (Class 10), with Associated External Works, including Access Ramp.

A report submitted by the Principal Planner presented a summary of the assessment of an application for planning permission to amend some of the previously approved design details to alter, extend and partially change the use of the Speirs Centre to accommodate a library with ancillary facilities.

As the Council is the applicant and owns the site, the application cannot be determined by appointed officers under the Scheme of Delegation. The related application for Listed Building Consent will be decided by Historic Scotland.

Motion

That the Committee approves the application for planning permission subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report

Moved by Councillor Graham Watt. Seconded by Councillor Bobby McGill.

Decision

The Committee unanimously agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report.

Action

Development Quality Team Leader

PLA0034 PLANNING APPLICATION

Erection of House and Garage, with Flat Over Garage, Land at Broomhall Castle, Long Row, Menstrie (Ref No. 12/00284/MSC)

The report of handling on the application for approval of Matters Specified in conditions imposed on an earlier planning permission in principle for residential development of land on north side of Long Row in Menstrie was submitted by the Development Quality Team Leader. The report provided the context to the current proposal and described the material considerations.

As the applicant is a member of staff within Clackmannanshire Council and related to a member of staff within the Council's Planning Service, this application was reported to the Planning Committee for decision, rather than decided under the Council's Scheme of Delegation.

The Development Quality Team Leader advised that there was a typographical error in the last sentence of paragraph 5.1 of the report. It should read "Some new tree **planting** will compensate for the loss of trees that will inevitably arise."

Motion

That the Committee approves the application for planning permission subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report

Moved by Councillor Graham Watt. Seconded by Councillor Bobby McGill.

Decision

The Committee unanimously agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report.

Action

Development Quality Team Leader

PLA035 PLANNING APPLICATION

Construction of Decked Viewing Platform at Community Woodland to North and West of Ochil Road, Menstrie (Ref No. 12/00280/FULL)

Councillor Les Sharp declared a non financial interest in this item as he is the Council's representative on the Ochils Landscape Partnership. Councillor Sharp remained in the Chamber but took no part in the debate or decision on this item.

The report of handing on the planning application by the Ochils Landscape Partnership to construct a decked viewing platform adjacent to the Menstrie Burn north of Ochil Road, Menstrie was submitted by the Principal Planner. The report described the proposal, the advice received from consultees and the policy issues associated with the development.

As there is a Council interest in the development, as landowner, the planning application cannot be determined by appointed officers under the Scheme of Delegation.

Motion

That the Committee approves the application for planning permission subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report

Moved by Councillor Graham Watt. Seconded by Provost Tina Murphy.

Decision

The Committee unanimously agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report.

Action

Development Quality Team Leader

PLA036 PLANNING APPLICATION

Formation of Car Park Lay-By With Associated Path Into Burial Ground at Fir Park, Tillicoultry (Ref No. 12/00282/FULL)

Councillor Les Sharp declared a non financial interest in this item as he is the Council's representative on the Ochils Landscape Partnership. Councillor Sharp remained in the Chamber but took no part in the debate or decision on this item.

The report of handing on the planning application by the Ochils Landscape Partnership to form a lay-by parking area on the south side of Fir Park, Tillicoultry to provide parking and pedestrian access to the historic old Kirkyard was submitted by the principal planner. The report describes the proposal, the advice received from consultees and the policy issues associated with the development.

As there is a Council interest in the development, as landowner, the planning application cannot be determined by appointed officers under the Scheme of Delegation.

Motion

That the Committee approves the application for planning permission subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report

Moved by Councillor Graham Watt. Seconded by Provost Tina Murphy.

Decision

The Committee unanimously agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions and reasons set out in the report.

Action

Development Quality Team Leader

ENDS 10.10 am