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KIRKLEES COUNCIL

PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE (HUDDERSFIELD AREA)

Thursday 30th November 2023

Present: Councillor Sheikh Ullah (Chair)
Councillor Donna Bellamy
Councillor Paola Antonia Davies
Councillor James Homewood
Councillor Jo Lawson
Councillor Musarrat Khan
Councillor Tony McGrath
Councillor Bernard McGuin
Councillor Imran Safdar
Councillor Mohan Sokhal

Apologies: Councillor Susan Lee-Richards
Councillor Andrew Marchington

1 Membership of the Sub-Committee

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillor Lee-Richards and Councillor Marchington.

Councillor Addy substituted for Councillor Kaushik.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 19 October 2023 be approved as a correct record.

3 Declaration of Interests and Lobbying

Councillor Addy advised that she had previously coached for the football club, and that the site was within her ward.

Councillor Bellamy advised that she had been lobbied previously in her capacity as former ward member.

4 Admission of the Public

It was noted that all agenda items would be considered in public session.

5 Deputations/Petitions

No deputations or petitions were received.

6 Public Question Time

No questions were asked.

7 Planning Application - Application No: 2023/90876

The Sub Committee gave consideration to Application 2023/90876 – Variation of conditions 4 and 5 (hours of use) on previous permission 2018/93872 for replacement of existing Redgra track with 3G synthetic turf pitch consisting spectator area, perimeter fencing, floodlights, storage container and link path at Colne Valley High School, Gillroyd Lane, Linthwaite.

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 36(3), the Sub-Committee received a representations from Councillor McCarthy and Councillor McLaughlin (local members).

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 37, the Sub-Committee received representations from Lee Richardson (Mirfield Free Grammar School), Jane Travis (Linthwaite Ardon School), Natalie Bradbury (local resident), Liz Quinn (Pride in Linthwaite CIC), James Carter (Linthwaite Football Club Secretary), Phil Green (local resident), Laura Dearnley (local resident) and Dean Hemingway (local resident).

RESOLVED – That, contrary to the Officer’s Recommendation, the application be approved on the grounds that the health, wellbeing and other benefits associated with the extended use of the pitch would outweigh the potential harm to residential amenity.

A Recorded Vote was taken in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 42 (5) as follows;

For: Councillors Addy, Bellamy, P A Davies, Homewood, Khan, J D Lawson, McGrath, McGuin, Safdar and Sokhal (10 votes)

Against: (no votes)

Abstained: Councillor Ullah