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KIRKLEES COUNCIL

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thursday 25th October 2018

Present: Councillor Steve Hall (Chair)
Councillor Donna Bellamy
Councillor Paul Kane
Councillor Carole Pattison
Councillor Andrew Pinnock
Councillor Rob Walker
Councillor Bernard McGuin

Observers: Councillor Vivien Lees-Hamilton
Councillor Nigel Patrick
Councillor Martyn Bolt
Councillor Ken Sims
Councillor Kath Taylor

1 Membership of the Committee

Councillor McGuin substituted for Councillor D Firth.

2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 27 September 2018 be approved as a correct record.

3 Interests and Lobbying

It was noted that all Committee Members had been lobbied on Application 2017/93935.

Councillor S Hall declared that he had been lobbied on Application 2017/92568.

4 Admission of the Public

It was noted that exempt information had been submitted in respect of Agenda Item 11 (Application 2017/92568).

5 Public Question Time

The Committee received questions from Councillor Bolt in relation to road safety audits, access to information and the speaking protocol for the meeting.

6 Deputations/Petitions

None received.

7 Site Visit - Application No: 2017/ 93935

Site visit undertaken.

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8 **Site Visit - Application No: 2017/92568**

Site visit undertaken.

9 **Site Visit - Application No: 2018/91579**

Site visit undertaken.

10 **Planning Application - Application No: 2017/93935**

The Committee gave consideration to Application 2017/93935 – Erection of 61 dwellings with associated access, drainage, open space and landscaping at land off Woodward Court, Mirfield.

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 37, the Sub-Committee received representations from Stephen Benson, Jude Bruce, Martin Ibberson, Christine Sykes, Brian Thornton, Andrew Kirkby, Cheryl Tyler and Tracy Dell (local residents), Mark Lane and Paul Thornton (on behalf of the applicant).

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 36(1), the Sub-Committee received representations from Councillors K Taylor, Lees-Hamilton and Bolt.

RESOLVED – That, contrary to the Officer recommendation, the application be refused on the grounds that (i) the land is allocated as safeguarded land within the emerging local plan and (ii) the proposed development would have a detrimental impact upon highways safety, particularly with regards to the existing narrow road network, substandard visibility play at the junction of Woodward Court and Wellhouse Lane and the proximity to Crossley Fields Junior and Infant School.

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

For: Councillors Bellamy, S Hall, Kane, McGuin, A Pinnock and Walker (6 votes)

Against: (no votes)

Abstained: Councillor Pattison

11 **Planning Application - Application No: 2017/92568**

The Committee gave consideration to Application 2017/92568 – Erection of 62 dwellings with associated works and formation of associated parking with vehicular access from Woodhead Road at land off Woodhead Road, Honley.

RESOLVED – That consideration of the application be deferred in order to enable the applicant to address outstanding matters relating to the S106, drainage, highways connections and arboriculture issues.

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

For: Councillors Bellamy, S Hall, Kane, McGuin, Pattison, A Pinnock and Walker (7 votes)

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Against: (no votes)

12 **Planning Application - Application No: 2018/91579**

The Committee gave consideration to Application 2018/91579 – Reserved matters application pursuant to outline application 2015/93824 for erection of 56 dwellings at former Midlothian Garage, New Mill Road, Holmfirth.

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 37, the Sub-Committee received a representation from Chris Darley (on behalf of the applicant).

Under the provisions of Council Procedure Rule 36(1), the Sub-Committee received representations from Councillors Sims and Patrick.

RESOLVED – That authority be delegated to the Head of Strategic Investment to approve the application, issue the decision notice and complete the list of conditions including matters relating to;

- Development to be carried out in accordance with approved plans
- Samples of materials
- Boundary treatments
- Tree protection measures and tree method statement
- Parking and surfacing areas to be provided
- Lighting scheme

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

For: Councillors S Hall, Kane, Walker, Pattison and A Pinnock (5 votes)

Against: Councillor Bellamy (1 vote)

Abstained: Councillor McGuin

13 **Exclusion of the Public**

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

14 **Planning Application - Application No: 2018/92568**

(Exempt information within Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended by the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006, namely that the report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information). The public interest in maintaining the exemption, which would protect the interests of the Council and the company concerned, outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information and providing greater openness in the Council's decision making).

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The exempt information was not considered due to the deferral of Agenda Item 11 (Minute No. 11 refers).