

GAINSBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the Planning and Development Committee held at Richmond House, Richmond Park, Morton Terrace, Gainsborough on Thursday 24 July 2014 at 7:00pm

Present: Councillor Barry Coward (Chairman)

Councillor Paul Key
Councillor Keith Panter
Councillor Ashley Perraton-Williams

In Attendance: Clerk to the Council
Steve Boland

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND REASONS GIVEN

Councillor Darren Burr
Councillor Mick Tinker
Councillor David Dobbie

RESOLVED to accept the apologies and reasons given.

2. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 AND TO RECEIVE ANY APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

None received.

3. MINUTES (Paper A)

i. Meeting of the Planning and Development Committee held on Thursday 26 June 2014.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning and Development Committee meeting held on Thursday 26 June 2014 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Cllr. Key proposed that the order of business be varied under Standing Order 14d to allow Steve Boland to make his presentation regarding item 10.

RESOLVED that the order of business be varied to take item 10 as the next item on the Agenda.

10. BROADBAND MAST

Steve Boland gave a short presentation to members explaining that he is working with BDUK in providing Broadband to the trading estates in the uphill part of Gainsborough. The project is being funded by West Lindsey District Council. The company need to find a site that would support a mast that could transfer signals from the lower part of Gainsborough to the uphill part. Steve explained that 2 potential sites had been identified in Marshalls Sports Ground and the General Cemetery.

Steve explained a temporary mast is in place at the AMP Rose site but this was not a long term option.

Members expressed concerns about the Marshalls site as it was close to houses and felt a 30metre mast would be intrusive to surrounding properties.

Members were more favourable about the General Cemetery provided it was discreetly positioned, not on burial land and caused no issues for the operation of the Cemetery.

Steve Boland explained that the Cemetery may be difficult due to the trees around the site and the nearby water tower which may block signals but that the site would need further investigation.

RESOLVED to consider the general Cemetery as a site if a proposal came forward but not Marshalls Sports Ground due to its proximity to housing.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- i. Application Ref No : 131550
Development : Erection of 1no. dwelling
Location : Plot 2 Summer Hill, Gainsborough

Members considered and discussed the application details.

RESOLVED to formally respond to the application by way of indication that the building is not in keeping with the locality particularly due to its flat roof in an area where all properties have pitched roofs.

5. DECISION NOTICES

- i. Application Ref No.: 131317
Development : Side Extension
Location: Trepko UK Limited Marshall Way Heapham Road DN21 1GD

No comments were made by members.

- ii. Application Ref No.: 131275
Development : New Primary School
Location: Former Castle Hills School Site

Note: Councillor Dobbie arrived at 19.57pm.

Concerns were raised about the existence of an Oil/Gas pipeline on the site. Members agreed that they would like to see the developer following the advice in the permission in this respect.

RESOLVED to issue a press statement advising the public of the conditions in the permission regarding the highway and the contact details of Highways should any concerns become apparent.

- iii. Application Ref No.: 131209
Development : Retrospective planning for removal of single garage and replacement with double garage
Location: 337 Lea Road Gainsborough DN21 1AT

Members noted the permission in particular condition no. 2 which they would like to see strictly adhered to.

- iv. Application Ref No.: 131218
Development: Single storey lounge extension
Location: 43 Heaton Street Gainsborough DN21 2EA

No comments were made by members.

- v. Application Ref No.: 130341
Development: First floor balcony
Location: 36 Melrose Road Gainsborough Lincolnshire

Members noted the appeal being made.

6. STREET NAMING

None received.

7. TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

None received.

8. CENTRAL LINCOLNSHIRE LOCAL PLAN

The Chair reminded members that this now a permanent feature of the Agenda as there will be a spatial element to the Town Plan.

It was noted that no formal confirmation had been received yet as to whether Suzanne Fysh from West Lindsey would be attending the September meeting to discuss the Local Plan.

Members considered some of the spatial elements that have arisen from the Town Plan consultation to date including ideas for an entertainment centre brought forward by local primary school children.

9. I – GAS

The Chair reported that he had been made aware of some Consultation being undertaken by I GAS in relation to Fracking in Gainsborough and had asked the Clerk to investigate and include as an item for discussion on the Agenda. The Clerk explained that having spoken with I GAS he had been informed that there had been no Consultation in Gainsborough but there had been a meeting recently in Austerfield, Doncaster.

11. **ELSWITHA QUARTER**

The Clerk reported that the application for the Whittons Gardens site to become an asset of community value has been accepted by West Lindsey District Council.

The Chair explained that he had included the item on the Agenda as he welcomed members input as to whether they felt the newly landscaped area where the old Guildhall was sited should also be become an asset of community value.

Members advised that they would like to see the results of the survey that ex Cllr. Dinsdale completed in relation to Whittons Gardens before considering the matter further.

RESOLVED to defer the matter until the next meeting to allow members to consider further information.

The meeting concluded at 8:10pm.

Chairman