

GAINSBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the Planning and Development Committee held at Richmond House, Richmond Park, Morton Terrace, Gainsborough on Thursday 28 January 2016 at 7:00pm

Present: Councillor Barry Coward (Chairman)

Councillor David Dobbie
Councillor Michael Hopper
Councillor Keith Panter

In Attendance:

Rachel Allbones Deputy Clerk to the Council

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND REASONS GIVEN

Councillor Woolley advised he would be arriving late for the meeting.

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. Minutes of the meeting of Planning and Development held Thursday 21 January 2016

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning and Development Committee meeting held on Thursday 21 January 2016 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

i. Application Ref No.: 133836
Proposal: Planning application for proposed swimming pool building-resubmission of previous application 132350
Location: Hillcrest Community Infant And Nursey School Heapham Road Gainsborough

Note: Councillor Dobbie declared a non pecuniary interest as his son maybe attending Hillcrest as of September 2016.

RESOLVED that the Council support the desire of the school to have a swimming pool.

- ii. Application Ref No.: 133663
Proposal: Planning application for demolition of former Sun Inn Hotel, including 37 Market Street, and construction of a C1 use class hotel with associated ancillary facilities and servicing access-amendment to 131219
Location: Sun Inn Hotel, 1 North Street, Gainsborough

RESOLVED that WLDC should note its own authorities discussions with Stage Coach regarding the possibility of siting the bus station behind the Methodist Church when considering the defining route for vehicles.

Note: Councillor Boles arrived at the meeting at 7:20pm.

Note: The Gainsborough Heritage Association has expressed they would like the etch glass windows before being demolished.

- iii. Application Ref No.: 133802
Proposal: Planning application for a proposed multi use games area and external gym
Location: Former IGAS Site, Riseholme Road, Gainsborough

Note: Councillor Dobbie declared a non pecuniary interest as he supported the MUGA development.

Note: Councillors Loates & Woolley arrived at the meeting at 7:29pm.

RESOLVED that the Council feel the site is better suited to the project with the raised surround.

- iv. Application Ref No.: 133484
Proposal: Retrospective planning application for change of use from Citizens Advice Bureau to Alcohol Rehabilitation Centre, D1 use
Location: Addaction 26 North Street Gainsborough

RESOLVED that the Council do not agree with retrospective applications but have no objections.

5. DECISION NOTICES

- i. Application Ref No.: 133525
Proposal: Planning application for change of use of first floor flat to a show room, to be used in conjunction with existing ground floor shop
Location: The Stove Box, 130 Trinity Street, Gainsborough

RESOLVED that the decision be noted.

- ii. Application Ref No.: 133649
Proposal: Outline planning application to erect 2no. dwellings with garages-all matters reserved
Location: Plots 3 and 4 Summer Hill, Gainsborough

RESOLVED that the decision be noted.

- iii. Application Ref No.: 133582
Proposal: Advertisement consent for replacement of existing signage
Location: Gainsborough Kitchens, 1 Spital Terrace, Gainsborough

RESOLVED that the decision be noted.

- iv. Application Ref No.: 133315
Proposal: Planning application to replace existing signage and also existing security metal grills with shutters
Location: Gainsborough Kitchens, 1 Spital Terrace, Gainsborough

RESOLVED that the decision be noted.

6. STREET NAMING

None received.

7. TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

None Received

8. PLANNING TRAINING (Paper F)

The Deputy Clerk informed Members of the Planning Training events at West Lindsey District Council.

RESOLVED that a Member of the Committee will be sure to attend each of the session representing the Council. Members are to advise the Deputy Clerk asap who will be attending the first session on 9 February.

9. HOUSING ZONE

The Deputy Clerk had nothing to report and will seek a further update for the next meeting.

10. ASSETS OF COMMUNITY VALUE

The Chairman requested that the current list from Members which identifies areas to apply for an Asset of Community Value be published in order for Members to begin to prioritise applications to be processed.

Councillor Hopper declared a non pecuniary interest as he is involved in a Mercer Wood project.

Councillor Hopper advised that he is involved in a Mercer Wood project which has recently been awarded funding from central government and part of the conditions of the grant clause is that the area is named as an Asset of Community Value.

RESOLVED that the Clerk work with Councillor Hopper in order to make an application for Mercer Wood to become an Asset of Community Value.

11. CENTRAL LINCOLNSHIRE LOCAL PLAN

Members **NOTED** the email circulated by the Clerk.

12. REMIT OF TOWN PLAN WORKING GROUP

Members were advised that the remit of the Town Plan needed amending in order to include the production of the Neighbourhood Plan.

RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO FULL COUNCIL to include the following wording under the Town Plan Working Group element of Structure & Functions - To progress, monitor and deliver the Council's Neighbourhood Plan programme.

13. COUNCILLOR DOBBIE'S EXPLANATION FOR HIS ADDRESS TO THE WLDC PLANNING COMMITTEE ON 13 JANUARY 2016

The Chairman informed Members that Councillor Dobbie on 13 January 2016 represented the Council at a WLDC Planning Committee which was not correct procedure as it was not approved by Council.

The Chairman played the recording of the meeting to Members.

Councillor Dobbie advised that he felt he had to say something as WLDC had misrepresented the Council's views.

The Chair advised that Councillor Dobbie could have made representation at the Planning Committee as an individual but not representing the Council without prior consent.

Councillor Boles informed Members that he would be sending an email to all Members reminding them that they need to conduct themselves in a proper manner and not put the Council's reputation at risk.

Councillor Dobbie agreed that he misrepresented the Council and apologised for his actions.

The Chairman advised the Committee they had 3 choices: -

- 1) accept the apology
- 2) remove Councillor Dobbie as Vice Chairman of the Committee
- 3) recommend to full council that Councillor Dobbie is removed from the Planning & Development Committee

RESOLVED that the Committee accept the apology given by Councillor Dobbie.

The meeting concluded at 8.10pm