

PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Thursday, 16 July 2020

Present: The Chair (Councillor Miss Pickin);
The Deputy Chair (Councillor S Heptinstall);
Councillors Ellis, Mrs Harvey, Miss Hepworth, Jones, Sanders, Mrs Scott, Swift, Mrs Taylor, Mrs Tennant-King, Wallis, Mrs Whitehouse and Miss Williams

6. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The process for the remote meeting was detailed by the Chair.

The Chair continued by highlighting that there was provision by prior arrangement for applicants, objectors or others on their behalf, together with the Local Members of the Ward concerned, to speak for up to three minutes in support of, or against any applications, including reserved matters and amendments relating thereto, shown on the agenda and being considered at the meeting and for Members to ask questions of the speakers to clarify information given.

The Chair welcomed Bronwen Knight the newly appointed Service Director, Planning and Transportation to her first meeting of the Committee.

7. MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The under-mentioned Members made the following declarations of interest:-

Significant Interest	Other	Report	Reasons
Councillor Jones		Agenda Item 6(1)	Requested that the application be brought before the Planning and Highways Committee for consideration and determination. I will also be speaking in objection to the application and will leave the meeting during the discussion and vote.

8. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence submitted prior to the meeting by Councillor Blezard was accepted.

9. MINUTES - 11 JUNE 2020

Resolved – That the Minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee held on 11 June 2020 be approved as a correct record.

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS. (WARDS AFFECTED: NOS 10 & 13)

The Service Director, Planning and Transportation reported on the following applications for planning consent.

Resolved – That the applications be dealt with as shown below:

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Application Number Applicant/Agent	Proposal/Location
<p><i>Councillor Jones declared a Significant Other Interest in the following item, and left the meeting, having spoken as a Local Ward Member and took no part in the voting. (Minute 7 refers).</i></p>	
<p>1) 19/02277OUT Mr Duffy, Mr Duffy and Mr Davies c/o Mr Jay Everett Green</p>	<p>Twenty Two (22) dwellings including associated works (outline including access and layout) at Land Off Wakefield Road, Town End, Pontefract, WF8 4HW</p>
<p>Officer recommendation was for approval</p> <p>Refused for the reasons set out below with the final wording of the refusal being delegated to the Service Director, Planning and Transportation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Highways – access and highways safety (changes since 2014 Outline approval); • Loss of amenity; • Loss of protected trees in the area including the resultant impact upon ecology and biodiversity. <p><i>(The Planning and Highways Committee heard representations on behalf of the applicant, from an objector and from Councillor Jones and Councillor Loughran, Local Ward Members in objection to the application).</i></p>	
<p><i>Councillor Jones returned to the meeting.</i></p>	
<p>2) 20/00412/FUL Mr M Bennett c/o Mr James Roberts</p>	<p>Construction of single storey dwelling including removal of existing buildings and cessation of use of land as builders yard including associated landscaping, surfacing and works at Builders Yard, land adj former Pineapple PH, Wakefield Road, Warmfield.</p>
<p>Officer recommendation was for approval</p> <p>Minded to Refuse on the basis the development would constitute inappropriate development in the Green Belt. A report to be prepared for the next appropriate Committee meeting setting out the final wording of the reason(s) for refusal and whether those reasons were clear and relevant on planning grounds to justify the decision to refuse the application.</p>	