

**SLEAFORD TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING OF THE APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Applications Committee**
held on Wednesday 10th December 2014 at 6:30pm.
at The Source, Southgate, Sleaford

PRESENT: Cllr J Mathieson (Chairman)

Cllr D Birks
Cllr K Fernandes
Cllr T Mayfield

Cllr K Dolby
Cllr S Fields
Cllr P McCallum

Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford
Cllr M Graves
Cllr D Suiter

Also In Attendance: Council Officers Mrs S Scholes and Mr K Martin

The Chairman welcomed all present and thanked all for accommodating the early start of the meeting.

The Chairman requested members note Agenda Item 10. (Anaerobic Digestion Facility) A Notice of Appeal regarding the failed application for the poultry unit adjacent the Digestion Facility, has been received by NKDC Cllrs. No copy has been received in STC Office.

A.1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies, with reasons, had been given to the Acting Clerk & Proper Officer from Councillors G Titmus, J Titmus, M Allan, C Darch, G Jackson, H Lorimer and M Suffield. These were accepted, the attendance register was completed.

A.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST. To receive declarations of pecuniary interests in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 and to receive declarations of personal interests.

Cllr K Dolby and Cllr S Field declared an interest in these items 8.1, 8.3, 8.11 and 8.13 and would leave the room during the debate.

A.3 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION APPROVAL LISTS NO. 21

A.3.1 Cllr M Graves declared an interest in transaction number 9336, Cllr D. Suiter declared an interest in transaction 9308. Both councillors left the room.

A.3.2 Previous Transaction list no. 18 – payment previously approved. An amended payment is herewith to be authorised, retaining 15% pending remedial work to be carried out.

A.3.3 Christmas lights account, payment for approval of installation cost only.

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A.3.4 Questions regarding List No. 21 had been received by the office. Council had approved £1050 budget for Christmas market costs, these figures are within the budget.

A.3.5 Cllrs Graves and Suiter returned to the room.

A.3.6 **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT Expenditure Transaction List No 21**, total of £8,224.49 is approved. Vote 4 for; 1 against (Cllr D Birks) and 5 abstentions (Cllrs D. Suiter, M. Graves, P. McCallum, K. Dolby, R. Dunbar-Beckford.) The Resolution was carried.

Officer Mrs L Savage joined the meeting.

A.4 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTIONS – DIRECT DEBITS APPROVAL LIST

The Direct Debits payments list totalling £4,455.84 was noted.

A.5 MINUTES.

A.5.1 Minutes 12th November 2014

IT WAS RESOLVED that the notes of the Planning Applications Committee Meeting held on 12th November 2014, with typo error corrected, be approved as Minutes of that Meeting. Vote: 8 for and 2 abstentions. The Resolution was carried. The Chairman signed the Minutes.

A.5.2 Minutes 26th November 2014

IT WAS RESOLVED that the notes of the Planning Applications Committee Meeting held on 26th November 2015, be approved as Minutes of that Meeting. Vote: 9 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was carried. The Chairman signed the Minutes.

A.6 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A.6.1 Councillors K Dolby and J Mathieson volunteered to sign cheques.

A.6.2 NKDC Full Planning Meeting, 16th December 2014 at 5pm. It was agreed to send a STC representative to speak on application 14/1397/LBC (Sleaford Station footbridge), see Agenda Item 8.1 below.

A.7 CLERK'S REPORT ON MATTERS OUTSTANDING AND PROGRESS MADE.

There was no Clerk's report.

A.8 NEW OR AMENDED APPLICATIONS FOR DISCUSSION.

8.1 **14/1397/LBC (Amended) – Sleaford Railway Station, Station Road.** Erection of fully accessible footbridge over station; demolition of existing taxi office & replacement with new purpose built building. **Amendment and additional drawings to include proposed taxi office POD floor plans & East Elevation.**

Councillors K Dolby and S Fields left the room.

8.1.1 It was noted that the NKDC website was still inaccessible.

8.1.2 A representative from the local press joined the meeting.

8.1.3 It was noted

(a) that the amendments relate to taxi office only, but cannot be viewed in isolation to the proposed footbridge. And **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT**

(1.) the Council could only object to the application as it is a part of the original plan to create a footbridge, to which the Council has previously objected.

(2) Cllr K. Fernandes be asked to read a statement prepared by the Committee Chairman, which would reiterate the Council's original objections.

Vote: Unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

8.2 **14/1423/FUL – 13 Eastgate.** Retrospective planning application in respect of erection of timber boarded fence.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 8 for. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

8.3 **14/1486/FUL – Sleaford Museum, 81 Southgate, NG34 7RQ.** Installation of security shutter to front window (part retrospective).

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 7 for and 1 abstention. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

8.4 **14/1304/FUL – NKDC.** Erection of 52 Solar panels onto the roof adjacent to the Listed Building.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 5 for; 2 against and 1 abstention. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

8.5 **14/1386/HOUS – East Lodge, Grantham Road, Greylees.** Erection of fence & gates & temporary siting of portacabin (retrospective).

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 8 for. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

The Chairman requested Agenda items 8.6 and 8.8 are discussed in tandem, as the two developments are similar; existing outbuildings are noted for demolition.

8.6 **14/1441/FUL – Land adjacent to Meadow View, 4 Holdingham, NG34 8NP.** Erection of dwelling.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 6 for and 2 abstentions. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

8.8 **14/1442/FUL – Land between 3 & 4 Holdingham, NG34 8NR.** Demolition of existing buildings & erection of proposed dwellings & associated works.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 6 for and 2 abstentions. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

- 8.7 **14/1385/FUL – Well Being West Lodge East Road.** Retrospective change of use of part car park area & erection of log cabin for beauty & holistic treatments.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 8 for. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

- 8.9 **14/1520/OUT – Land to the rear of Units 2-5 The Reservation East Road, NG34 8GL.** Outline application for Industrial Development (mixed use B1, B2 & sui generis) including new highways access over adjoining land.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 8 for. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

- 8.10 **14/1542/HOUS – 6 St. Michaels Walk, NG34 8AY.** Demolition of detached garage & construction of single rear & side extension.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 8 for. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

- 8.11 **14/1480/VARCON – Lakeview (formally Sleaford Ballast Pits). Mareham Lane Kirkby La Thorpe.** Application to remove condition 4 to allow for the permitted mobile home development to be used for 365 day residential use attached to planning permission 02/1147/FUL.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. It was noted facilities for adults be considered. Vote – 8 for. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

- 8.12 **14/1578/HOUS – 12 Truro Close, NG34 8UZ.** Miss S Hardy. Erection of two storey rear extension & single storey side extension.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 8 for. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

- 8.13 **14/1487/FUL – Carres Grammar School, Northgate, NG34 7DD.** Application to extend two existing classroom blocks vertically, adding new second floors to provide additional teaching space.

IT WAS RESOLVED: no objections be made to this application. Vote – 8 for. The Resolution was carried, NKDC to be notified accordingly.

Councillors K Dolby and S Fields returned to the meeting.

- A.9 ITEMS TO BE NOTED.** These were noted.

A.10 ANAEROBIC DIGESTION FACILITY.

A.10.1 Despite requests made to NKDC, Minutes of the meeting when Planning Permission for the Facility was granted, were not available .

A.10.2 IT WAS RESOLVED THAT:

- (1) The Council would make a formal complaint to LCC Monitoring Officer regarding the unacceptable delay in making the Minutes available
- (2) A Freedom of Information request be made if necessary to obtain the Minutes if a further request to NKDC to provide the information is unsuccessful.
- (3) Contact be made with Leasingham Parish Council to share concerns and consider joint future action. Vote: 8 for, Abstentions 2 (K. Dolby, S. Fields). The Resolution was carried.

A10.3 It was noted that an Appeal had been lodged regarding the refusal to grant planning permission to the adjacent proposed Poultry Unit. No official notification has been received, but comments are required by 6th January, 2015.

A10.3 It was noted that the Council's Planning Consultants' report should be reviewed and submitted to NKDC and Councillors agreed by a show of hands, to reiterate the Council's earlier stated view, augmented by its Consultants' report.

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 7:35pm.

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