

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

Minutes of the Meeting of the **Applications Committee**
held on Wednesday 11th June 2014 at 7.00p.m.
at The Source, Southgate, Sleaford

PRESENT:

Cllr J. Mathieson (Chair)

Cllr B Dunbar-Beckford

Cllr M Graves

Cllr K Fernandes.

Cllr D Suiter (from 7.05p.m.)

Cllr K. Dolby

Cllr G. Jackson

Cllr T Mayfield

Cllr D. Birks

Cllr M Suffield

Cllr P. McCallum

Also In Attendance: Council Officers Mrs L. Savage & Mrs. S. Scholes.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting, in particular newly-appointed Member, Cllr Paul McCallum.

A1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies, with reasons, had been given to the Assistant Clerk from Councillors J Titmus, G. Titmus, C. Darch, H. Lorimer. These were accepted, the Attendance Register was completed.

A.2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

To receive any declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and Personal Interest.
None to record.

A3 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTION APPROVAL LIST NO 6

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT Expenditure Transactions List No 6, total £6,803.12 is Approved. Vote: 9 For, 1 Abstention. The Resolution was carried.

A4 EXPENDITURE TRANSACTIONS – DIRECT DEBITS APPROVAL LIST

IT WAS RESOLVED THAT Direct debit payments totalling £2,556.92 be authorised.
Vote: Unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

A.5 NOTES TO BE APPROVED AS MINUTES

There were no Notes for Approval.

A6 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

A6.1 Cheque signing & signatories: It was noted that Councillors would be available to sign cheques on 13th June. Revised cheque signatories Agenda Item (18.06.14).

A6.2 Application McDonald's Signage: (Ref: (0610 & 0611 Resubmission)

Cllr Jackson reported that the application is to be approved, STC comments regarding traffic flow are not relevant to this application, however NKDC Planning Officer has offered to contact applicant requesting voluntary "Left Turn" procedure and LCC Highways will also be contacted. Cllr Jackson was thanked for his input.

A6.3 Tesco Plans

The Council has been contacted by Albourne, proposed link road route land owners,

requesting an update. Albourne have received no notification from Tesco or NKDC regarding the current status of the application.

A7 CLERK'S REPORT

A7.1 SLEAFORD CARNIVAL: The Chairman drew members' attention to Item 1: a letter from Carnival organisers *had* been sent 2nd June, organisers subsequently checked that it had been received. Content of Letter is an Agenda Item (Services 18.06.14).

A7.2 A meeting with Globe Planning Consultants has been arranged. This initial meeting will itemise the important current and pending planning applications and should establish how the Council will allocate spending resources and a means of doing so.

Cllr Birks advised that Globe had recently offered their services to LALC Member Councils. It was requested that the information be forwarded for the Office's attention.

A7.3 The Clerk's Report was noted: Items 2 and 4 (Planning Consultants and Public Meeting) to be discussed in conjunction with Agenda items following.

A8 NEW OR AMENDED APPLICATIONS FOR DISCUSSION & A9 PROPOSED PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING THE APPLICATIONS.

A8.1 & A8.2: (14/0080/FUL – Amended) Land to the North-East of Holdingham (JHG Planning Consultancy Ltd.)

Anaerobic Digestion Facility, including Auxiliary Equipment, Silage Clamps, Digestate Lagoon and Access. **Amendments: Revised Transport Assessment, Environmental Health addendum & legal opinion relating to the Sustrans route.**
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(14/0078/FUL – Amended) Land East of Lincoln Road (A15) & North of A17 Holdingham (JHG Planning Consultancy Ltd.)

Erection 16 Poultry Units (590,000) bird capacity, 22 feed silos, 3 water storage tanks, a general purpose building & 2 electric substations, drainage lagoon, landscaping bund and improvements to existing access including upgrade of Lincoln Road (A15) junction. **Amendments: Revised environmental statement including additional details on landscape and visual impact, vehicle movements, noise, air quality, surface water drainage & cumulative impact with proposed anaerobic plant subject to separate application.**

A8&9.1 The Chairman has perused the amended applications and recommends that the Council seeks specialist advice to fully understand the issues raised, notably the amendments to the transport plan and the environmental health.

A8&9.2 It was noted that 19th June is NKDC's date for objections to be raised; that NKDC website be checked for information on its revised Transport Assessment.

A8&9.3 **IT WAS RESOLVED THAT** STC's objection comments as published on the website should be more reiterated in greater detail. Vote: Unanimous. The Resolution was carried.

IT WAS RESOLVED TO extend the meeting by a further 10 minutes.

A8&9.4 IT WAS RESOLVED THAT A Public Meeting would be held.

In discussion, it was agreed that

- **Purpose** of meeting is to provide the opportunity for Public to express views & STC to take forward those views to other authorities.
- Preferred date **25th June, 2014** 8.00p.m.
- If not possible, **2nd July, 2014** alternative date.
- Personnel meeting scheduled to be held early
- The Source most suitable **venue**, need seating, P.A. system
- A neutral **Chairman** to manage the meeting is required.
- **Resolved** to ask C. Cllr M. Hill OBE to Chair the meeting. Vote: 7 For; 4 Against. Resolution carried.
- Revd P. Johnson, Sleaford Minister, to be asked to Chair if C. Cllr M. Hill unavailable.
- Request attendance of A. McDonough, **Principal** Planning Officer, NKDC to answer questions from public.
- Planning Officer could be asked to present impartially the outline of the Application as presented to NKDC.
- Not necessary to invite Developers who had previously been given an opportunity to present their case.
- Leasingham Parish Council be notified of all arrangements and invited to attend.
- Evening to be advertised in press, web etc.
- Have plans, model etc available.

10. ITEMS TO BE NOTED.

NKDC Applications in Sleaford 11th June, 2014 list (nine items) were noted.

11. TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES/ RESTRICTIONS

LCC correspondence regarding Sleaford Temporary Road Closures was noted.

12. STREET NUMBERING

New street numbering scheme Unit 6 Hadley Road, Woodbridge Industrial Estate, Sleaford was noted.

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7.49p.m.

Mrs. S.M. Scholes,
Admin Support Officer,
15th June, 2014.