

PONTELAND TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING 19th March 2019

Present: Councillor Mrs S Johnson (in the Chair), Mrs C Caisley, Mr S Ahmed, Karen Overbury and Councillor Mr Thomas Edwards-Clay

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Mrs K Woodrow.

1. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A list of planning applications received since the previous Committee meeting had been circulated

- 1.1 Application No: 19/00105/FUL, Location: Ponteland Manor Nursing home, Thornhill Road, Ponteland NE20 9PZ, Proposal: Retrospective: wooden shed for storage.
Comment: The Planning Committee appreciate the neighbours concerns but feel it isn't a Planning issue within the remit for Ponteland Town Council and the issues mentioned should be passed to the Environment Agency Officer.
- 1.2 Application No: 19/00687/OUT, Location: Land to the rear of Dalkeith, The Avenue, Medburn NE20 0JD, Proposal: Outline – Construction of two – 2 storey houses with some other matters reserved.
The Planning Committee will review this application nearer to its expiry date.

The Committee made no comments about the other 4 applications considered.

2. DECISIONS: APPLICATIONS AND APPEALS; WITHDRAWN APPLICATIONS

2.1 DECISION: 19/00023/FUL, 11 Greenacres, Darras Hall, Ponteland, NE20 9RT. Proposed tiled roof in place of existing felted roof over existing rear dormer.

Permission **granted** under delegated powers on 4th March 2019. The Committee had made no comment about this application.

2.2 DECISION: 18/03589/FUL, Westcotes, Milbourne, Ponteland, NE20 0DG. Proposed erection of free-range egg production unit.

Permission **granted** under delegated powers on 6th March 2019. The Committee had made an objection comment about this application which was later withdrawn as all relevant reports were provided.

2.3 DECISION: 19/00123/FUL, 104 Western Way, Darras Hall, Ponteland, NE20 9LY. Proposed first floor extension to accommodate disabled access lifts and associate elevations alterations.

Permission **granted** under delegated powers on 12th March 2019. The Committee had made no comment about this application.

2.4 DECISION: 18/04202/CCD, Land West of Ponteland High School, Callerton Lane Ponteland. Proposed erection of a new single storey fire station and training tower with associated training yard, hard standing and the provision of 13 no parking bays.

Permission **granted** under delegated powers on 15th March 2019. The Committee had made no comment about this application.

3. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

3.1 APPEAL APP/P2935/Z/18/321918- NCC Ref: 18/00504/ADE

Information had been received from NCC that the application, which had been refused planning permission (on 7th Aug 2018), was to go to appeal, to be decided on the basis of written representations

The Council was invited to make comments or modify its previous response.

The Committee made the following additions: - **Additional information for Planning Inspectorate in respect of planning application 18/00504/ADE – Advertisement consent for 4 hoarding signs (or 2 if more acceptable north and south) on roundabout for ‘Kirkharle Courtyard Kitchens’ – Dobbies roundabout A696 County boundary to Ponteland Road, Ponteland – Appeal references APP/P2935/Z/18/3213918**

Ponteland Town Council objected to this application on 27th June 2018. In their objection they mentioned that *‘there is to be believed to be an adverse camber on the roundabout. It is the scene of frequent skidding and a number of serious road accidents plus a number of minor accidents have been reported on the roundabout and on the approach road’*.

The Town Council want to provide more detail in relation to accidents at this location. In recent years, there have been 6 recorded injury accidents with one requiring the services of the Great North Air Ambulance. A recent incident involved a coach skidding off the road as it appeared to have hit the verge at the point where the adverse camber causes vehicles to misjudge the turn. From local knowledge, Councillors are aware of many more minor accidents in the area that have not been recorded. They strongly believe that the proposed advertising boards would cause a higher level of distraction to motorists as well as potentially affect visibility and for these reasons, the appeal should be rejected.

The Planning Appeal officer is getting back to Caroline Thompson as to whether this additional information can be submitted.

3.2 19/00799/CCMEIA, Land To The North Of Throckley Interchange On A69 And North And East Of Dewley Farm, South Of Stamfordham Road (B6324) And East Of Ponteland Road (B6323), Newcastle Upon Tyne.

Proposal A surface mine for the extraction of up to 1.2 million tonnes of mineral comprising fireclay and coal, with associated formation of vehicular access onto Ponteland Road (B6323) and associated temporary site compound buildings and water treatment areas, with restoration to agricultural and ecological uses including, woodland, species rich grassland and multi-user access routes.

This Proposal was mentioned to the Committee who intend on looking at the Plans together once they are received from Northumberland County Council.

The committee intend to object to the proposal and will produce a suitable response within the next week.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 2nd April 2019