

# PONTELAND TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Present: Councillor Mrs S Johnson (in the Chair), Mrs K Woodrow, Mr A Hall, and Councillor Mrs K Overbury.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors: Mr S Ahmed and Councillor Mr T Edwards-Clay

### 1. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

1.1 Application No: 19/01525/ADE, Location: 19 Main Street, Ponteland NE20 9NL, Advertisement consent for halo illuminated letters, projecting sign and rear sign.

OBJECTION: The Planning Committee object to this proposal as it is contrary to the PNP Policy 7: Heritage Assets and Advertisements affecting heritage assets and their settings will only be supported where their size, scale, proportions design colour, position, number, materials and illumination do not detract, either individually or cumulatively, from the significance of the heritage asset or its setting. The Committee concede that the size of the business advertisement in the above application is within that which is allowed in the conservation area but have grave concerns for the larger advertisement hoardings that have already been placed in situ and are currently under an enforcement investigation. The Committee respectfully request that the decision on this application be suspended until it is clarified what the position is on the larger panels already in place; currently without planning permission.

Furthermore, guidance for advertisements and heritage assets point 4.30 of the PNP, states the following: -

a) Suitably designed illuminated signage will be permitted where such signs advertise goods or services available to the public within evening hours.

It is not yet known what the opening hours might be for this business, however it is not usual for a bathroom/kitchen showroom to operate after office hours, therefore Members do not believe that this application fits the criteria for evening illumination within the Conservation Area.

**The Committee made no comments about the other 2 applications considered.**

### 2. DECISIONS: APPLICATIONS AND APPEALS; WITHDRAWN APPLICATIONS

2.1 **DECISION: 19/01083/FUL, 4 Whin Bank, Darras Hall, Ponteland, NE20 9HX. Proposed single storey rear extension.**

Permission **granted** under delegated powers on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019. The Committee had made no comment about this application.

2.2 **DECISION: 19/ 01164/FUL, 21 Meadowvale Darras Hall Ponteland, NE20 9NF.**

**Proposed Demolition of vestibule porch and extension added to provide new porch and extension to living room**

Permission **granted** under delegated powers on 3 June 2019. The Committee had made no comment about this application.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 25 June 2019**