

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT CONTROL) COMMITTEE

**THE EARL BALDWIN SUITE, DUKE HOUSE, CLENSMORE STREET,
KIDDERMINSTER**

9TH JANUARY 2007 (6PM)

PRESENT:

Councillors: S J Williams (Chairman), M A W Hazlewood (Vice-Chairman), J Aston, Mrs J Fairbrother-Millis, P B Harrison, M J Hart, H J Martin, C D Nicholls, Mrs F M Oborski, Mrs J L Salter, M J Shellie, G C Yarranton.

OBSERVERS:

There were no members present as observers.

DC.62 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

DC.63 APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES

No substitutes were appointed.

DC.64 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor M A W Hazlewood declared personal interests in the following applications - WF.06/1011 as he knew the applicant and WF.06/1198 as he had received correspondence regarding the application but he came to the meeting with an open mind.

Councillors Mrs F M Oborski and M J Shellie declared a prejudicial interest in application number WF.06/1197 as they are members of the Community Housing Board.

Councillor S J Williams declared a personal interest in application number WF.06/1197 as he is a member of the Community housing Board but he had not been involved in the submission of the application nor in promoting it. He also declared a personal interest in application number WF.06/1198 as he had received correspondence regarding the application but he came to the meeting with an open mind.

DC.65 MINUTES

DECISION:

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th December 2006 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

DC.66 APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED

The Committee considered those applications for determination (now incorporated in Development Control Schedule No. 434 attached).

DECISION:

The applications now submitted be determined, in accordance with the decisions set out in Development Control Schedule No. 434 attached, subject to incorporation of any further conditions or reasons (or variations) thought to be necessary to give full effect to the Authority's wishes about any particular application.

DC.67 APPLICATIONS PENDING DECISION

The Committee received a schedule of planning and related applications that were pending decision.

DECISION:

The schedule be noted.

DC.68 PLANNING AND RELATED APPEALS

The Committee received details of the position with regard to planning and related appeals, still being processed, together with particulars of appeals that had been determined since the date of the last meeting.

DECISION:

The details be noted.

DC.69 MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT ON PERFORMANCE AGAINST BV109 TARGETS FOR DETERMINING PLANNING APPLICATIONS

A report was considered from the Head of Planning, Health and Environment that provided Members with a monthly progress report on performance against national best value performance indicators (BV109).

DC.70 SECTION 106 MONITORING

A report was considered from the Development Control Manager that gave details of the most current Section 106 Obligations that required monitoring.

DECISION:

The report be noted.

DC.71 LEA CASTLE FARM, WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, KIDDERMINSTER - TREE PRESERVATION ORDER NO.310 (2006)

A report was considered from the Head of Planning, Health and Environment that

asked Members to give consideration to determining whether Tree Preservation Order Number 310 (2006) relating to trees at Lea Castle Farm should be confirmed or not..

In the light of the risk posed to the trees by development pressures, it was considered expedient to make the trees the subject of a Tree Preservation Order. Accordingly a Tree Preservation Order was made and served in July 2006 to protect the trees within the site. One letter of objection and one of support had been received. The Development Control Manager had considered the objections and representations and recommended that the Tree Preservation Order be confirmed without modification.

DECISION:

The Tree Preservation Order, in its current form, be confirmed as the trees contribute to the amenity of the locality and may be under threat of removal.

The meeting ended at 7 p.m.,