

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

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

14TH SEPTEMBER 2010 (6.00PM)

Present:

Councillors: S J Williams (Chairman), D R Godwin (Vice-Chairman), J-P Campion, H E Dyke, P B Harrison, M J Hart, C D Nicholls, F M Oborski, J W Parish, M A Salter, K J Stokes, and G C Yarranton.

Observers:

There were no members present as observers.

PL.49 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

PL.50 Appointment of Substitutes

No substitutes were appointed.

PL.51 Declaration of Interests

No declarations of interest were made.

PL.52 Minutes

Decision: The minutes of the meeting held on 10th August 2010 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

PL.53 Applications To Be Determined

The Committee considered those applications for determination (now incorporated in Development Control Schedule No.477 attached).

Decision: The applications now submitted be determined, in accordance with the decisions set out in Development Control Schedule No.477 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.

PL.54 Applications Pending Decision

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

Decision: The schedule be noted.

PL.55 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.

PL.56 Planning Consultation by Worcestershire County Council Proposed development of an Energy from Waste (EfW) Facility for combustion non-hazardous waste and the recovery of energy, Oak Drive, Hartlebury Trading Estate, Worcestershire, DY10 4JB 10/0312/PAC

Councillors J Parish and G C Yarranton left the meeting during consideration of this item as they are Members of the Worcestershire County Planning Committee.

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Planning and Regulatory Services which asked the Committee to make a decision on a Planning Consultation received from Worcestershire County Council in respect of the proposed Energy from Waste (EfW) Facility at Hartlebury Trading Estate.

Decision: to respond to the consultation by offering no formal objection, subject to the imposition of suggested suitable conditions and that the Development Manager be given delegated authority to respond to any formal reconsultation on further details submitted provided they do not give rise to significant changes to the proposal.

PL.57 Monthly Progress Report on performance against NI157 targets for determining planning applications

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Planning & Regulatory Services that provides Members with a monthly progress report on performance against National Indicators (NI 157, formerly BV109).

Decision: that the report be noted.

PL.58 Exclusion of the Press and Public

Decision: That under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the press and public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of “exempt information” as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act”.

PL.59 Enforcement Report

The Committee considered an enforcement case regarding a public house located on green belt land.

The Development Manager advised Members that the owners of the pub had previously been granted planning permission for the conversion of an existing outbuilding. Following a visit to the site, Officers found that the building subject to that permission had subsequently been demolished, and construction works had begun

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to construct a new building in its place. In addition, two other structures had been built, a smoking shelter and children's play area.

Members were advised that an application for the building which was under construction had been received, and that it was recommended that the owners should be allowed until the 29th September 2010 to submit applications for the other two buildings. In the event of refusal of these two applications, Officers already had delegated powers to take enforcement action. With reference to the building under construction, delegated authority would need to be sought from the Committee if the application was subsequently refused.

Decision:

- 1) That the Director of Legal and Corporate Services receive delegated authority to serve or withhold an Enforcement Notice requiring the removal of the works undertaken in the construction of a play area and smoking shelter and all associated materials from the site, should no planning application(s) be submitted by the 29th September 2010. In the event that these applications are received the outcome of the determination of the application(s) should be awaited.**
- 2) That the outcome of the determination of the application submitted in respect of the new bar building be awaited.**

The meeting ended at 19:42.