

WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

COUNCIL CHAMBER, WYRE FOREST HOUSE, FINEPOINT WAY,
KIDDERMINSTER

8TH OCTOBER 2013 (6.00 PM)

Present:

Councillors: S J Williams (Chairman), G C Yarranton (Vice-Chairman), J Aston, C Brewer, B T Glass, D R Godwin, J Greener, I Hardiman, P B Harrison, M J Hart, H J Martin, B McFarland, F M Oborski, M Price, J A Shaw and N J Thomas.

Observers:

Councillors G W Ballinger and M A Salter.

PL.26 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor C D Nicholls.

PL.27 Appointment of Substitutes

Councillor J A Shaw was appointed as a substitute for Councillor C D Nicholls.

PL.28 Declarations of Interests by Members

Councillor G Yarranton declared an interest in agenda item no. 9 – Land at rear of 3 and 4 Sarah Seager Close, Stourport-on-Severn Tree Preservation Order No. 380 as he is a board member of The Community Housing Group but he had a dispensation from the Ethics & Standards Committee.

Councillor F M Oborski declared an interest in agenda item no. 9 – Land at rear of 3 and 4 Sarah Seager Close, Stourport-on-Severn Tree Preservation Order No. 380 as he is a board member of The Community Housing Group but she had a dispensation from the Ethics & Standards Committee.

Councillor H J Martin declared in respect of application number 13/0428/LIST 18 Welch Gate, Bewdley as the applicant was known to him but he would remain in the meeting as he did not believe that the public would regard this being likely to prejudice his judgment of what is in the public interest.

Councillor B McFarland declared in respect of application number 13/0428/LIST 18 Welch Gate, Bewdley as the applicant was known to him but did not meet socially and he would remain in the meeting as he did not believe that the public would regard this being likely to prejudice his judgment of what is in the public interest.

Councillor J Greener declared an Other Disclosable Interest in application number 13/0440/FULL 63 Stourport Road, Bewdley as she was a Member of various groups in Bewdley which the applicant was involved in but she did not believe that the public would regard this being likely to prejudice his judgment of what is in the public interest and so would remain in the meeting. She also declared an interest in agenda item no. 9 – Land at rear of 3 and 4 Sarah Seager Close, Stourport-on-Severn Tree Preservation Order No. 380 as she is a board member of The Community Housing Group but she had a dispensation from the Ethics & Standards Committee.

Councillor J A Shaw arrived at the meeting at this point, (6.03pm).

PL.29 Minutes

Decision: The minutes of the meeting held on 13th August 2013 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

PL.30 Applications To Be Determined

The Committee considered those applications for determination (now incorporated in Development Control Schedule No. 513 attached).

Decision: The applications now submitted be determined, in accordance with the decisions set out in Development Control Schedule No. 513 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.31 Applications Pending Decision

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

Decision: The schedule be noted.

PL.32 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.33 Land at Balmoral Court, Kidderminster Tree Preservation Order No. 379

Councillor Godwin arrived at 6.07 at the beginning of the officer presentation on this item.

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Economic Prosperity & Place regarding a Tree Preservation Order No. 379 (2013) which related to a tree on Land at Balmoral Court (off Chaddesley Road), Kidderminster.

Decision: The Tree Preservation Order should not be confirmed due to the tree's condition and proximity to the nearby buildings.

PL.34 Land at rear of 3 and 4 Sarah Seager Close, Stourport-on-Severn Tree Preservation Order No. 380

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Economic Prosperity & Place regarding a Tree Preservation Order No. 380 (2013) which related to a tree on Land at rear of 3 and 4 Sarah Seager Close, Stourport-on-Severn.

Decision: The Tree Preservation Order be confirmed without modification. The TPO to include 1 No. English Oak (Quercus robur) as the tree contributes to the amenity of the locality and is considered worthy of protection.

PL.35 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 involves the likely disclosure of “exempt information” as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Act.

PL.36 Live Enforcement Cases

The Committee received a report which listed live enforcement cases as at 24th September 2013.

Decision: The report be noted.

The meeting ended at 6.12 p.m.