

Meeting **PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Date **26 April 2016 (commencing at 10.30 am)**

membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

John Wilkinson (Chair)
Sue Saddington (Vice-Chair)

Roy Allan
Andrew Brown
Steve Calvert
Jim Creamer
Stan Heptinstall MBE

David Martin
Andy Sissons
Keith Walker
Yvonne Woodhead

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor Bruce Laughton

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

David Forster – Resources Department
Rachel Clack - Resources Department
Sally Gill – Place Department
Mike Hankin – Place Department
Neil Lewis - Place Department
Ruth Kinsey – Place Department
Eddie Brennan - Place Department
Mick Allen - Place Department
Rachel Peck - Place Department

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD ON 22 March 2016

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2016 having been circulated to all Members were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chair subject to it being noted that Councillor Stan Heptinstall MBE was in attendance and not Councillor Jacky Williams.

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

The Clerk reported orally that Councillor David Martin had been appointed to the Committee in place of Councillor Rachel Madden for this meeting only.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

The following members declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 7 Land off Welshcroft Close Portland Industrial Estate Kirkby-in-Ashfield on the grounds they are members of the Environment and Sustainability Committee :-

Councillors Steve Calvert, Jim Creamer, Stan Heptinstall MBE and John Wilkinson.

DECLARATIONS OF LOBBYING OF MEMBERS

There were no declarations of Lobbying

PUBLIC BRIDLEWAY CREATION ORDER AT BEAVERCOTES PIT WOOD

Mr Brennan introduced the report and highlighted the following:-

- The request for the Order was made by horse riders who wished to use the area for off road recreational riding.
- Although the Forestry Commission do not own the land it is considered Crown Estate and therefore it cannot be subjected to a Creation Order under the Highways Act 1980 (Section 26).
- The Forestry Commission are actively opposed to the Order.

Following the introduction Mr Brennan responded to questions and comments as follows:-

- Even if the technical difficulties were overcome it would not have to come back to Committee and it would be for the horse riders to enter into discussions with the Forestry Commission
- There is no public right of way on this land.
- Crown exemption has to be taken into account it could be that the Forestry Commission do not want to take on board the maintenance of the area.
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On a motion by the Chair, seconded by the Vice-Chair it was

RESOLVED 2016/025

1. That the Public Bridleway Creation Order for The Nottinghamshire County Council (Bothamsall Footpath Nos 2 and 5 and Footpath Nos 3 and 4) creation and Definitive Map and Statement Modification Order 2015 is not confirmed and
2. That the County Council writes to the Forestry Commission to seek reasons for taking the noncompliance stance on the creation Order requested.

CONEYGRE FARM THURGARTON LANE HOVERINGHAM

Mr Hankin introduced the report and highlighted the following:-

- Planning permission is sought to extend the duration of the waste recycling and disposal operations at Coneygre farm.
- Further representations have been received from Thurgarton Parish Council and raise no objections to the planning application.
- The application site has been an inert landfill site since 1982 and would receive waste from Nottingham, Ashfield and Mansfield areas of Nottinghamshire.

Following the introductory remarks of Mr Hankin there was one speaker and a summary of his speech is set out below.

Mr P Lee, spoke in favour of the application and highlighted the following:-

- Originally it was thought that the life of the application site would be ten years, but due to the depressed state of the economy and the increase in recycling has meant this is not the case.
- We are often asked to provide our Environment Agency Licence to prove the competency of us as operators
- The service on offer at the site is a safe and legitimate tip for inert waste and the opportunity to take reclaimed aggregates out.
- There are 4 full time jobs depending on the success of the application.

There were no questions.

On a motion by the Chair seconded by the Vice Chair it was:-

RESOLVED 2016/026

That planning permission be granted subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 1 attached to the report.

LAND OFF WELSHCROFT CLOSE PORTLAND INDUSTRIAL ESTATE KIRKBY-IN-ASHFIELD

Mrs Gill introduced the report and highlighted the following:-

- The application is for the construction and operation of a new Waste Transfer Station and associated infrastructure.
- The site will handle waste from both the Mansfield and Ashfield area
- It will create employment for 14 people working on 2 shifts.
- There has been an objection lodged by Romo Fabrics on grounds of Traffic increase and noise and Pollution impacts.

Following the introductory remarks of Mrs Gill there was one speaker and a summary of his speech is set out below.

Mr J Cooke, spoke in favour of the application and highlighted the following:-

- This is the final facility to complete the waste transfer station network across the County.
- This will enable the delivery of a more sustainable waste management proposal across the County
- The development and management of the site is already tried and tested with similar facilities operating at other sites.
- The site will deliver a lower all over vehicle mileage with associated environmental benefits which works into a cost saving benefit.

There were no questions.

On a motion by the Chair seconded by the Vice Chair it was:-

RESOLVED 2016/027

That planning permission be granted subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 1 attached to the report.

RESPONSE TO DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITIES AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DCLG) CONSULTATION ON PLANNING CHANGES

On a motion by the Chair seconded by the Vice Chair it was:-

RESOLVED 2016/028

That the County Council's response to the DCLG as set out in Appendix A attached to the report, on the technical consultation on the implementation of planning changes be noted.

CORRESPONDENCE ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

On a motion by the Chair seconded by the Vice Chair it was:-

RESOLVED 2016/029

That the contents of the report be noted in respect of the course of action for dealing with correspondence sent directly to Members as set out in the Code of Best Practice.

DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRESS REPORT

On a motion by the Chair seconded by the Vice Chair it was:-

RESOLVED 2016/030

That the Development report be noted

WORK PROGRAMME

On a motion by the Chair seconded by the Vice Chair it was:-

RESOLVED 2016/031

That the Work Programme be noted

The meeting concluded at 12.45

CHAIRMAN