

minutes

Meeting ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Date Thursday 29 November 2012 (commencing at 1.30pm)

membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Richard Butler (Chair)
John Hemsall (Vice-Chair)

Steve Carr A
Barrie Cooper
Jim Creamer
Vince Dobson
Kevin Greaves

Bruce Laughton
Geoff Merry
John Peck JP
Keith Walker

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mick Allen – Group Manager, Waste and Energy Management
Lisa Bell – Team Manager, Planning Policy
Paul Eccleshare – Energy Management Officer
Keith Ford – Senior Democratic Services Officer
Sally Gill – Group Manager, Planning
Jas Hundal – Service Director, Transport, Property and Environment
Phil Keynes – Team Manager, Energy and Carbon Management
Alice Stechly – Strategy and Development Officer

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

It was reported that Councillor Geoff Merry had been appointed back onto the Committee in place of Councillor June Stendall.

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

None.

STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

RESOLVED 2012/032

- 1) That a publication consultation exercise on proposed changes to the Council's Statement of Community Involvement, as set out in the appendix to the Committee report, be undertaken.
- 2) That following the consultation, the revised statement be submitted to Policy Committee for approval.

EXPANSION OF COMMUNITY REPAINT NOTTINGHAMSHIRE

RESOLVED 2012/033

That the extension of Community Repaint Nottinghamshire to Newark and Beeston Household Waste Recycling Centres (HWRC) and the relocation of the existing scheme from Worksop HWRC to Warsop HWRC be approved.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT ON THE PROPOSED REVOCATION OF THE EAST MIDLANDS REGIONAL PLAN

RESOLVED 2012/034

That the comments detailed in the Committee report form the basis of Nottinghamshire County Council's response to the Department of Communities and Local Government on the Environmental Report on the Proposed Revocation of the East Midlands Regional Plan.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS ON AN OUTLINE PLANNING APPLICATION FOR UP TO 300 DWELLINGS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE ON LAND NORTH OF NOTTINGHAM ROAD, RADCLIFFE ON TRENT

Consideration was given to a revised version of the report, which had been circulated ahead of the meeting.

RESOLVED 2012/035

That Rushcliffe Borough Council be advised that Nottinghamshire County Council objected to the proposal on potential flooding grounds and that insufficient information had been submitted with the planning application to allow valid and robust conclusions to be drawn on the application's potential impact upon contamination issues, the landscape and visual impact and ecology of the County.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS

RESOLVED 2012/036

That the report be noted.

RENEWABLE ENERGY – APPLICATIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR NOTTINGHAMSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Phil Keynes and Paul Eccleshare gave a presentation highlighting the various types of renewable energy available, the benefits of such energy and the incorporation of various renewable energy measures within the venue for this meeting (Worksop Library).

RESOLVED 2012/037

That the contents of the report and presentation be noted.

WIND TURBINES - PRESENTATION

Sally Gill and Lisa Bell gave a presentation highlighting national and regional planning policy issues, the role of County, District and Borough Councils and the development and impact of wind turbines.

RESOLVED 2012/038

That the contents of the presentation be noted.

WORK PROGRAMME

During discussions, Members requested that a further discussion of photovoltaic forms of renewable energy be scheduled for a future meeting of the Committee.

RESOLVED 2012/039

That the Committee's work programme be noted and updated as appropriate.

The meeting closed at 3.40 pm.

CHAIRMAN

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