

minutes

Meeting ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Date Thursday 18 April 2013 (commencing at 2.00pm)

membership

Persons absent are marked with 'A'

COUNCILLORS

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

Steve Carr A
Barrie Cooper
Jim Creamer
Kevin Greaves
Bruce Laughton A

Geoff Merry
John Peck JP
Mel Shepherd MBE
Keith Walker

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Keith Ford – Senior Democratic Services Officer
Sally Gill – Group Manager, Planning
Tim Gregory – Corporate Director, Environment & Resources
Jas Hundal – Service Director, Transport, Property & Environment
Sue Jaques – Local Improvement Scheme Manager
Helen Lester – Team Manager, Waste Strategy and Development
Alice Stechly – Strategy and Development Officer, Waste Management
Anna Vincent – Independent Group Researcher

MEMBERSHIP

The following changes of membership were reported to the meeting:-

- Councillor John Hemsall had replaced Councillor Mel Shepherd MBE;
- Councillor Mel Shepherd MBE had replaced Councillor Vincent Dobson.

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 14 March 2013, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received.

DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

None.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS ON A PROPOSED SINGLE WIND TURBINE AT STOKE BARDOLPH

It was reported to the meeting that the Electoral Divisions (and Elected Members) affected by the proposals were Carlton East (Councillors John Clarke and Allen Clarke) rather than Radcliffe on Trent (Councillors Cutts) and Carlton West (Councillor Creamer) as incorrectly stated in the report.

RESOLVED 2013/021

That Gedling Borough Council be advised that whilst the principle of such development in terms of strategic and national renewable energy policy was supported, Nottinghamshire County Council objected to the proposal on the grounds 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 the landscape and ecology of the County and that the proposal would significantly impact the visual amenity of the County.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS ON A PROPOSED MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT AT THE FORMER STANTON IRONWORKS

During discussions, Members raised concerns about the potential for the proposals to increase traffic over the short railway bridge near the former Stanton signal box. Officers agreed to raise that issue with Highways colleagues in order for it to be addressed within the Council's consultation response as appropriate.

Members also raised concerns about the lack of reference to potential pollutants in the earth on the site due to former industrial uses. In light of these concerns, Councillor Butler proposed the following amendment to Recommendation 2:-

‘Insert after ‘archaeological report’:-

‘and to ensure potential contamination issues are addressed’.

Following a vote, the amendment was agreed.

RESOLVED 2013/022

- 1) That Erewash Borough Council be advised that the principle of such development on the former Stanton Ironworks in terms of strategic and national economic and regeneration policies was supported by Nottinghamshire County Council, subject to the concerns regarding the potential impact of the proposal on the highway

network in Nottinghamshire and concerns relating to the visual impact from traveller receptors on the M1 motorway corridor, which could not be addressed until further work had been undertaken satisfactorily and relevant information had been provided by the applicants, and which would need to be addressed to enable Nottinghamshire County Council to make an informed decision on the proposed development in relation to its potential highway network impacts and the potential visual impacts.

- 2) That if Erewash Borough Council was minded to grant planning permission, a condition be requested to ensure that the developer undertake archaeological testing of the large areas of the site (not identified in the submitted archaeological report) and to ensure potential contamination issues are addressed prior to or during contamination.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS

RESOLVED 2013/023

That the report be noted.

LOCAL IMPROVEMENT SCHEME PROGRAMME 2012-13 AND 2013-14

RESOLVED 2013/024

That the report be noted.

LOVE FOOD HATE WASTE CAMPAIGN

RESOLVED 2013/025

That the report be noted.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2013/020

That the Committee's work programme be noted.

The meeting closed at 2.53pm

CHAIRMAN

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