

Meeting ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Date Thursday 12 September 2013 (commencing at 10.30am) held at the

Mansfield Recovery Facility, Forest Town, Mansfield.

Membership

Persons absent are marked with an 'A'

COUNCILLORS

Jim Creamer (Chairman)
John Wilkinson (Vice-Chairman)

Richard Butler Bruce Laughton
Steve Calvert Pamela Skelding
A Stan Heptinstall MBE Parry Tsimbiridis

Roger Jackson

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Sara Allmond Democratic Services Officer
Lisa Bell Team Manager – Planning Policy

Sally Gill Group Manager – Planning

Helen Lester Team Manager – Waste Strategy and Development

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2013, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chairman with the removal of the word "Bingham" from section (a) of the Strategic Planning Observations item on page 2.

Members were advised that in relation to the Waste Core Strategy (page 2 of the minutes) the Inspectors report was due later in the month and it was intended to send the Strategy to Council in November for approval.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Richard Butler declared a private interest in item 7 – Rushcliffe Borough Council Core Strategy further proposals for Housing Development consultation (June 2013) as he was a member of Rushcliffe Borough Council.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS

a) Single Wind Turbine, Manor Farm, Upper Broughton

RESOLVED 2013/044

- 1) That Rushcliffe Borough Council be advised that the development is supported in principle as it was recognised that significant weight is given to renewable energy at a National and strategic Planning level.
- 2) That the application be deferred to enable the applicant to address the transport issues raised in paragraphs 12 to 16 of the report.
- 3) That the Committee recommends that Rushcliffe Borough Council seeks explicit confirmation from the applicant that no impact on great crested newts is predicted, with reference to Natural England's 'Risk Assessment Tool' for great creased newts. If such assurances are provided, adherence to the 'Reasonable Avoidance Measures' listed in Section 4.5.10 of the Appraisal should be made a condition of any permission granted.
- 4) On the grounds of impacts on visual amenity Nottinghamshire County Council objects to this application.

b) Mixed Use Development on Land at Teal Close, Gedling

RESOLVED 2013/045

- 1) That Gedling Borough Council be advised that the principle of housing development in terms of strategic, national housing and economic growth is supported. The County Council has no significant concerns over the impact of the proposal of this scale and in this location on the landscape and openness of the Green Belt, and consequently does not raise any objections in landscape terms.
- 2) The transport implications of this development are being carefully considered and it is not possible at this time to advise as to the acceptability of the application in transport terms
- 3) It is considered that inadequate and insufficient information has been provided with the application to properly assess its acceptability in ecology and archaeology, therefore mitigation measures should be secured through appropriate planning conditions.

4) That if Gedling Borough Council are minded to approve the application, then the County Council request that they consult with the Developer Contributions Team to assess the need for developer contributions in line with the Council's adopted Planning Contributions Strategy.

STRATEGIC PLANNING OBSERVATIONS

RESOLVED 2013/046

That the report be noted

PLANNING PRACTICE GUIDANCE FOR RENEWABLE AND LOW CARBON ENERGY

RESOLVED 2013/047

That the report be noted

RUSHCLIFFE BOROUGH COUNCIL CORE STRATEGY FURTHER PROPOSALS FOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CONSULTATION (JUNE 2013)

RESOLVED 2013/048

That Committee endorses the comments within the report, which formed an officer response to Rushcliffe Borough Council.

WORK PROGRAMME

RESOLVED 2013/049

That the report and its additions be noted.

CHAIRMAN

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