

Meeting PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE – VIRTUAL MEETING

Date Tuesday 5 January 2021 (commencing at 10.30am)

**Membership**

Persons absent are marked with `A`

**COUNCILLORS**

Chris Barnfather (Chair)  
Jim Creamer (Vice-Chair)

Pauline Allan	John Longdon
Andy Brown	Rachel Madden
Neil Clarke MBE	Tracey Taylor
Sybil Fielding	Keith Walker
Tony Harper	Andy Wetton
Paul Henshaw	

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Pete Barker – Chief Executive’s Department  
Rachel Clack – Chief Executive’s Department  
Sally Gill – Chief Executive’s Department  
David Marsh – Place Department  
Jonathan Smith – Place Department

**1. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING HELD ON 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2020**

The minutes of the meeting held on 24 November, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

There were no apologies for absence.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS**

Councillor Taylor declared an interest in Item 5, ‘Retention of Building for Use as a Children’s Centre and Lime Trees Nursery, Kirkby in Ashfield’ as the applicant is the Children and Families Department of Nottinghamshire County Council and Councillor

Taylor is the Vice Chair of the authority's Children and Young People's Committee, which did not preclude her from speaking or voting on that item.

#### **4. DECLARATIONS OF LOBBYING OF MEMBERS**

There were no declarations of lobbying.

#### **5. RETENTION OF BUILDING FOR USE AS CHILDREN'S CENTRE AND LIME TREES NURSERY, KIRKBY IN ASHFIELD**

Mr Marsh introduced the report which considered an application to retain a Children's Centre building used by a community group as a day nursery at The Lime Trees Nursery, Sutton Middle Lane, Kirkby-in-Ashfield. Mr Marsh informed the Committee that the key issue related to the siting and appearance of the building and its suitability to be retained permanently.

Following Mr Marsh's introductory remarks Members then debated the item and the following comments and questions were responded to: -

- Officers informed Members that the Environmental Health Officer from Ashfield District Council had confirmed that no complaints had been received from residents concerning noise in the 10 years that the building had been in use.

Following the debate, the Chair summarised as follows:

- The issue of noise had been addressed in the report.
- 6 car parking spaces were initially allocated for staff use but since academisation these spaces had been removed and staff now park on adjacent roads with no complaints having been received.
- Ashfield District Council are seeking a time limit for the consent, but it is not the role of this Committee to fetter future Committees or owners. The building meets the requirements at the present time and if any changes are required they will be subject to the granting of planning permission.

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

#### **RESOLVED 2021/001**

That planning permission be granted for the purposes of Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning General Regulations 1992 subject to the condition set out in Appendix 1 of the report.

#### **6. DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRESS REPORT**

Mrs Gill introduced the report, stating that it was the usual report brought regularly to Committee detailing the applications received, determined and scheduled.

Mrs Gill drew Members' attention to the fact that the report stated that Financial Comments would be reported orally at the meeting. Mrs Gill apologised for the oversight and confirmed that there were no financial implications arising from the contents of the report.

Mrs Gill informed members that the report included an update on progress with the Minerals Local Plan and stated that the consultation regarding modifications to the plan would end on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Mrs Gill informed members that any comments would then be forwarded to the inspectorate and the inspector's report received subsequently.

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

**RESOLVED 2021/002**

That no further actions are required as a direct result of the contents of the report.

The meeting closed at 10.56am

**CHAIR**