

minutes



Meeting PLANNING COMMITTEE

Date Tuesday, 17th February 2004 (commencing at 10.30 am)

membership

Persons absent are marked with `A`

COUNCILLORS

John Bell (Chair)
K Bullivant (Vice Chair)

R Butler
T H Butler
A Freeman
John M Hemsall
S Heptinstall MBE
E Llewellyn-Jones

J T A Napier
R Needham
Keith Walker
Y Woodhead
A Woodward

MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting of the Committee held on 20th January 2004, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS AND OFFICERS

There were no declarations of interest made by Members or Officers.

REPORTS OF THE DIRECTOR OF ENVIRONMENT

CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED EXTENSION TO FLUE GAS DESULPHURISATION UNITS AT COTTAM POWER STATION

The Director of Environment reported on the background to the application and the reasons why, constitutionally and legally, the proposals were a matter for the Cabinet Member for Environment to respond to. He also reminded the Committee of previous approvals given to the construction of the plant and

that the major issues arising from the current proposal concerned transport, noise and emissions.

Whilst in general agreement with the proposal, some Members expressed serious concerns and reservations about the speed of traffic from the plant on the C2 and A57 roads, particularly near the school at Dunham, the fact that there were no footpaths on the roads which posed a danger to pedestrians and also that there was no restrictions to stop overtaking on the long straight stretches which these roads contained. In response, the Director referred to the Traffic Regulation Order that was shortly to be implemented and the traffic survey to be funded by the developer which he felt would help to reduce risks associated with traffic. He did, however, accept that further monitoring of the situation was essential.

In response to a further question on the disposal of gypsum referred to in paragraph 40 of the report, the Director confirmed that such gypsum would only be moved by road in an emergency, with rail being the normal form of transport for the material. In addition, he was not yet in a position to comment on how any surplus gypsum would be disposed of.

Following full and lengthy discussion, it was:-

RESOLVED:-
2004/004

That the Cabinet Member for Environment be recommended to include the following comments in the County Council's response to consultation on the proposals for the construction of two flue gas desulphurisation units at Cottam Power Station:-

1. that no objection be raised to the proposal subject to:-
 - a) the conclusion of the agreement covering the matters set out in Appendix 4 to the report;
 - b) the imposition of any permission granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry of the suggested areas for consideration in conditions set out in Appendix 4 to the report;
2. that the County Solicitor be authorised to enter into such legal agreements as proposed in Appendix 4 to the report prior to the Secretary of State issuing a decision notice and
2. that the Secretary of State's attention be drawn in particular to the concerns expressed in paragraphs 35 - 40 and 74 of the report.

**EXTENSION TO TEMPORARY OFFICES, GAMSTON HIGHWAYS DEPOT,
RADCLIFFE ROAD, GAMSTON, NOTTINGHAM**

RESOLVED:-
2004/005

That, the Committee having considered the matters set out in the report, planning permission be granted for the purposes of Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning Regulations 1992, subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 1 to the report.

**INSTALLATION OF SYNTHETIC MULT-USE GAMES AREA WITH
FLOODLIGHTING, ASHFIELD COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL, SUTTON
ROAD, KIRKBY IN ASHFIELD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE**

The Director of Environment referred to the site visit undertaken on 22nd January 2004 as requested at the last meeting and also to the update on the issue also raised at the last meeting concerning the possible sharing of the athletics track facilities.

Members were grateful for the Director's efforts in pursuing this matter further, particularly with regard to the extensive consultation undertaken with local residents.

RESOLVED:-
2004/006

That, the Committee having considered the matters set out in the report, planning permission be granted for the purposes of Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning Regulations 1992, subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 2 to the report.

**URGENT ITEM – ERECTION OF A MODULAR BUILDING TO PROVIDE
YOUTH CLUB PREMISES AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH, CHURCH STREET,
EASTWOOD, NOTTINGHAMSHIRE**

The Chair reported that, in accordance with the provisions of Section 100 B (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, he had approved submission of this item in order that consideration could be given to this planning application at this meeting. This was because the deadline to access funding for the project expired before the next meeting of the Committee and any decision to grant planning permission was, therefore, required at this time.

The Director of the Environment reported that following further consultation it now appeared that local residents supported the application. Members supported the reasons put forward for the proposal and it was:-

RESOLVED:-
2004/007

That, the Committee having considered the matters set out in the report, planning permission be granted for the purposes of Regulation 3 of the Town and Country Planning Regulations 1992, subject to the conditions set out in Appendix 2 to the report.

The meeting closed at 11.07 am.

CHAIR

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