

HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held in the Council Chamber, Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Thursday 19 September 2019 commencing at 7.34 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: S. Rock (in the Chair), I. Aldcroft, M. Baines,
A. Coward, K. Denton, S. Denton, D. Grant, C. Rotherham, G. Stone,
P. Wright.
Town Clerk, C. Hutchinson

CHAIR TO OUTLINE THE FIRE EVACUATION PROCEDURE:

PL 3982 Councillor Rock outlined the procedure.

TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPT THE REASONS:

PL 3983 None.

TO REMIND MEMBERS TO MAKE A DECLARATION CONCERNING ANY MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED DURING THE MEETING OF WHICH THEY HAVE AN INTEREST:

PL 3984 Councillor Grant declared an interest in application numbers 06213/19 and 06687/19..

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 22 AUGUST 2019:

PL 3985 Resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 22 August 2019.

TO DISCUSS THE PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR THE PARISH (TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990 SCHED 1, PARA 8):

PL 3986 In order to reserve the right to vote on Bolton Council's Planning Committee where the decisions about planning would be made Councillor Wright stated that he would not take part in the discussion or voting.

06660/19

23 Hazel Pear Close

Conversion of existing integral garage to create additional habitable space, demolition of existing conservatory and erection of two storey extension at rear together with alterations to existing side elevations.

There had been 3 objections on grounds of loss of light into house and garden, overlooking/privacy, not in keeping with character of area, loss of views (this is not a material planning consideration), noise and disturbance during conversation.

Resolved to recommend refusal on grounds of overdevelopment.

06683/19

28 Nuttall Avenue

Erection of a single storey extension at rear.

There had been no objections and the applicant had stated that the application was for a bedroom and shower room for a disabled person.

Resolved to recommend approval.

06687/19

Lostock Skip Hire, Star Lane.

Erection of a two-storey building for office space together with amendments to parking on previously approved application 78145/07.

There had been 32 objections received on grounds of increase in amount of waste processing with increase in noise, dust and smell, will move the operation closer to neighbouring houses and impacting on living conditions, increase in traffic, the applicant should find a more suitable site, health concerns, there are complaints about current operations on site and devaluation of house prices (this is not a material planning consideration)

Resolved to recommend refusal of this application on grounds of health and safety concerns and the risk to human health due to increase in particulates, poor drainage and increase in traffic. A request to Horwich and Blackrod ward councillors to investigate the installation of air quality monitoring stations at this location was noted.

06750/19

Bridge Inn, 121 Church Street

Change of use of part of bowling green to car park.

There had been 2 objections received, one from Councillor Silvester on grounds that the bowling green is listed as an Asset of Community Value with recreational and sporting use and could be brought back into community use; the green is not surplus to requirement and would not be replaced elsewhere therefore it does not comply with the NPPF; it would not preserve or enhance the Wallsuches Conservation Area; the green only stopped being used as the previous owner imposed higher fees.

Resolved to recommend refusal due to the bowling green being listed as An Asset of Community Value with recreational and sporting use for the local community, specifically older people and could be brought back into use; it was a valuable sporting asset which would not be replaced elsewhere and does not comply with the NPPF.

06774/19

4 Glabyn Avenue, Lostock

Erection of single storey side extension.

Resolved to recommend approval.

06788/19

34 George Street

Installation of patio doors at rear together with demolition of existing shed at rear to create off road parking.

Resolved to recommend approval.

06798/19

59 Pennine Road

Erection of single storey extension to side; at rear of existing garage together with pitched roof.

Resolved to recommend approval.

06801/19
85 Winter Hey Lane
Siting of 1No non-illuminated fascia.

Highways had been unable to comment, due to insufficient information available. Members expressed concern at the lack of information and that there had been no application for change of use of the premises to a taxi business.

Resolved to make no recommendation due to insufficient information.

BOLTON COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS IN HORWICH FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

PL 3978 Resolved to note Bolton Council planning decisions as presented on the list that circulated to all Members.

CORRESPONDENCE (EMAILED TO ALL COUNCILLORS): FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

- PL 3979
- a. Bolton Council: River Croal Draft Supplementary Planning Document and Consultation.
 - b. Bolton Council: notification of footway resurfacing – Catherine Street West and Brady Street from 30 August 2019 to 9 September, weather permitting.
 - c. Bolton Council: notification of temporary road closure – Road Traffic Regulation 1984 – Foxholes Road - 9 September 2019 for 1 day.
 - d. Bolton Council: notification of temporary road closure – Road Traffic Regulation (Special Events) Act 1994 for OVO Tour of Britain 2019 (cycle race).
 - e. LALC: NALC policy consultation e-briefing 10 – 19 – 5G mobile coverage in rural areas.

TO CONFIRM THE DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AS 24 OCTOBER 2019:

PL 3980 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting as 24 October 2019.

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS: FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

PL 3981

The meeting closed at 8.14 pm.

Chairperson.....

Date.....

