

MINUTE
of
PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting held at 2.00pm in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Giffnock on 7 August 2019.

Present:

Councillor Annette Ireland (Chair)	Provost Jim Fletcher
Councillor Betty Cunningham (Vice Chair)	Councillor Stewart Miller
Councillor Angela Convery	Councillor Jim Swift

Councillor Ireland in the Chair

Attending:

Sean McDaid, Principal Planner and Derek Scott, Planner, Development Management; Graham Shankland, Principal Business Intelligence Officer; and Paul O'Neil, Committee Services Officer.

Apology:

Councillor Jim McLean.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

948. There were no declarations of interest intimated.

NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPEALS AND APPEAL DECISIONS

949. The committee considered and noted a report by the Director of Environment, advising of the intimation by the Directorate for Planning and Environmental Appeals (DPEA) of the outcome of an appeal against the committee's decision to refuse planning permission in respect of application 2017/0213/TP – erection of 6 flats/apartments with basement level car parking, formation of vehicular access off Maple Avenue and associated landscaping with amenity space adjacent to Mearns Medical Centre, Maple Avenue, Newton Mearns which had been dismissed by the Reporter.

APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION

950. The committee considered a report by the Director of Environment, on an application for planning permission by Bellway Homes Ltd for the erection 84 dwellinghouses with associated roads, parking, SUDS and open space on land at the junction of Blackbyres Road and Grahamston Road, Barrhead, requiring consideration by the committee.

Following discussion, the committee agreed that the application be approved subject to conditions following conclusion of a legal agreement, as indicated at Appendix 1 accompanying this Minute.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS CABINET AT POLNOON STREET, EAGLESHAM

951. Under reference to the Minute of the meeting of the committee of 16 January 2019 (Page 683, Item 751 refers), when it was agreed to refuse planning permission in respect of the installation of three ground-based telecommunications cabinets at site opposite 1-1A Polnoon Street, Eaglesham (in retrospect)(Ref No:- 2018/0551/TP), the committee considered a report by the Director of Environment, providing an update on the cabinets installed at Polnoon Street and seeking the committee's further instruction with regard to the matter.

Whilst noting that the agent for the applicant had been advised of the committee's decision to refuse planning permission for the installation of three ground-based telecommunications cabinets at the site opposite 1-1A Polnoon Street, Eaglesham and that enforcement action had been authorised for the removal of the cabinets, the report indicated that at that time, the agent had been asked to consider what the applicant intended to do regarding the cabinets and/or the refusal of planning permission. It was further noted that the applicant had until 16 April 2019 to appeal the refusal of planning permission to the Scottish Ministers although no appeal had been submitted.

The report explained that discussions had taken place between officers and Openreach with a view to reaching a satisfactory solution, and that arising from these discussions three options that had been proposed by Openreach to maintain the broadband service in the Eaglesham area. Details of the implications of implementing each of the options were outlined in the report

It was noted that options 2 and 3 would involve a complicated engineering solution and that if the Council was to serve an enforcement notice in accordance with the decision the committee had taken at its meeting on 16 January 2019, this would require the complete removal of the unauthorised cabinets and would result in the loss of Eaglesham superfast broadband service.

Following discussion, during which the committee expressed its concern about the conduct of Openreach in carrying out installation works at the site without having the necessary planning permission to do so, agreed to approve Option 2 as outlined the report.

CHAIR

**TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997
AS AMENDED BY THE PLANNING ETC (SCOTLAND) ACT 2006
PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS) (SCOTLAND) ACT 1997**

Index of applications under the above acts to be considered by Planning Applications Committee on
7th August 2019

Reference No: 2018/0730/TP

Ward: 1

Applicant:

Bellway Homes Ltd
Bothwell House
Caird Street
Hamilton Business Park
Hamilton
Scotland
ML3 0QA

Agent:

Hypostyle Architects
49 St Vincent Crescent
Glasgow
Scotland
G3 8NG

Site: Land at the junction of Blackbyres Road and Grahamston Road, Barrhead

Description: Erection 84 dwellinghouses with associated roads, parking, SUDS and open space (major)

Decision: Approved subject to conditions following conclusion of a legal agreement

