

HARBOROUGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

held in the Council Chamber,  
Council Offices, Adam and Eve Street, Market Harborough

21<sup>st</sup> June 2011

commencing at 6.30p.m.

Present:  
Councillor Liquorish (Chairman)

Councillors: Beaty, Evans, Galton, Graves, Holyoak,  
Johnson, McHugo, Mrs. Robinson, Smith and Mrs. Wood.

Officers: A. Eastwood, L. Finch, E. O'Neill and M. Patterson.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs. Burrell, Hall and Tomlin.

66 NOTIFICATION OF SUBSTITUTES

Councillor Evans substituted for Councillor Hall.

Councillor Mrs. Robinson substituted for Councillor Tomlin.

67 MINUTES

Councillor Smith voted against the resolution of application 11/00229/FUL. He asked that this be recorded in the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011.

Councillor Johnson requested that her name be added to the list of attendees at the site inspections carried out prior to the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011.

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2011 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record, subject to the above amendments.

68 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

*Councillor Beaty*

*Application 11/00438/FUL*

Councillor Beaty disclosed a personal and prejudicial interest in this item and withdrew from the Meeting for its debate and resolution. The nature of the interest was stated to be that his business involves undertaking agricultural work on land concerned with the application.

69 QUESTIONS AND WRITTEN PETITIONS SUBMITTED BY THE PUBLIC

None were received.

70 SITE INSPECTIONS

The following Members attended a site inspection arranged prior to the Meeting in respect of application 11/00438/FUL – Drayton:

Councillors Galton, Holyoak, Johnson, Liquorish, Smith and Mrs. Wood.

## 71 APPLICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION

Applications for determination were considered and the Committee's attention was drawn to the additional information and representations made in respect of applications:

11/00313/FUL – FROLESWORTH, 11/00438/FUL – DRAYTON, 11/00618/FUL – WISTOW, 11/00629/FUL – BROUGHTON ASTLEY, 11/00639/FUL – GILMORTON.

### i)11/00313/FUL – FROLESWORTH

Erection of two 34.2m high wind turbines and associated works (revised scheme of 10/01563/FUL, Land west of Frolesworth Lodge, Sharnford Road.

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information for the following reason:

#### Reason

The development would provide energy from a renewable source contributing towards general objectives to achieve this as outlined in documents such as PPS1 – Planning and Climate Change, PPS22 – Renewable Energy and the East Midlands Regional Plan. Furthermore, notwithstanding the size and scale of the proposal, it is not considered that, within the context of benefits towards addressing climate change, it would significantly adversely affect the character and appearance of the landscape or other considerations including ecological or archaeological interests, residential amenity, or give rise to additional traffic which would lead to a road safety hazard. The proposal is therefore considered to comply with the aims and objectives of PPS1 and PPS22, Policies 39 and 40 of the East Midlands Regional Plan and Policies EV/5, EV/16, IN/1 and TR/3 of the Harborough District Local Plan.

### ii)11/00438/FUL – DRAYTON

Erection of two barns and a temporary agricultural dwelling (revisions to the withdrawn application 10/01157/FUL), New Dwelling, Medbourne Road.

Councillor Beaty, having declared a personal and prejudicial interest, withdrew from the meeting for the debate and resolution of this item.

RESOLVED: that the application be REFUSED for the following reason:

#### Reason

The proposal by virtue of its location, size and appearance will detract from the character and appearance of the countryside and is therefore contrary to Local Plan policies EV4 and EV5.

### iii)11/00618/FUL – WISTOW

Erection of 60m high temporary meteorological mast, Land at Croft Farm, Glen Road, Newton Harcourt.

The Chairman read a statement from Councillor Spendlove-Mason, Ward Member for this area.

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information for the following reason:

#### Reason

The development hereby approved would not have an adverse affect on the visual amenity of the surrounding area or the character of the open countryside. The proposal is therefore considered to comply with PPS22 and Policy 40 of RSS8, and no other material considerations indicate that the policies of the development plan should not prevail.

iv)11/00629/FUL – BROUGHTON ASTLEY

Erection of an outbuilding for gym and games room ancillary to dwelling, at 112 Station Road.

The Chairman read a statement from Councillor Golding, Ward Member for this area.

Councillor Graves asked that his vote in favour of refusal be recorded in these Minutes.

RESOLVED: that the application be REFUSED for the following reason:

Reason

The proposal, by virtue of its size, position and nature would result in an incongruous form of development within a long, undeveloped garden, which would be out of keeping with the form and character with the surrounding area. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policies IN/1 and HS/12 of Harborough District Local Plan.

v)11/00639/FUL – GILMORTON

Division of single dwelling into two dwellings (revised scheme of 10/00884/FUL), Washbrook Lodge, Lutterworth Road

RESOLVED: that the application be APPROVED as set out in the report and supplementary information for the following reason:

Reason

The development by virtue of its sympathetic nature and the extent of the alterations proposed, would not adversely affect the character and appearance of the building or the surrounding countryside, nor give rise to road safety hazard, nor adversely affect the amenity of local residents. The proposal is therefore considered to comply with Policies IN/1, EV/5, EV/7 and TR/3 of the Harborough District Local Plan and Supplementary Planning Guidance Note 8 and no other material considerations indicate that the policies of the development plan should not prevail.

The Meeting ended at 8.17p.m.