Development Control Committee

Tuesday, 23 April 2013

Present: Councillor Paul Walmsley (Chair), Councillor Dave Rogerson (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Henry Caunce, Jean Cronshaw, John Dalton, David Dickinson, Dennis Edgerley, Christopher France, Danny Gee, Harold Heaton, Steve Holgate, Roy Lees and Geoffrey Russell

Substitutes: Councillor Alison Hansford

Also in attendance:

Councillors: Doreen Dickinson, Keith Iddon, Paul Leadbetter and Mick Muncaster

Officers: Jennifer Moore (Head of Planning), Paul Whittingham (Development Control Team Leader), Alex Jackson (Senior Lawyer), Iain Crossland (Planning Assistant) and Cathryn Filbin (Democratic and Member Services Officer)

13.DC.26 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillor Greg Morgan. Councillor Alison Hansford attended the meeting as Councillor Morgan's substitute.

13.DC.27 MINUTES

RESOLVED - That the minutes of the Development Control Committee held on 26 March 2013 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

Members of the Development Control Committee were advised that Lancashire County Council had changed its policy on education contributions and the way they were calculated. Therefore the Section 106 legal agreement for planning permission approved 12/01081/FULMAJ, Cypress Close, Clayton-le-Woods relating to education contribution had been removed as the Council can no longer claim this contribution.

13.DC.28 DECLARATIONS OF ANY INTERESTS

There were no declarations of any interest submitted.

13.DC.29 PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE DETERMINED

The Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy submitted eight applications for planning permission.

In considering the applications, Members of the Development Control Committee took into account the agenda reports, the addendum and the verbal representations and submissions provided by officers and individuals.

a) & Walkden. Hatton Street, Adlington, Chorley

Application: 13/00168/FUL - Naylor Proposal: Change of use of an existing Hatton House, 15 vacant office building to a Bed & Breakfast Guest House (Use Class C1) with proprietor's accommodation.

Speakers: Objector - Glyn Hughes, Ward Councillor - Graham Dunn, and the applicant's agent.

RESOLVED (8:4:2) - That the decision be deferred to allow Members of the Development Control Committee time to visit the site of the proposed development.

b) Application: 13/00138/REMMAJ -Caton Drive, Wigan Road, Claytonle-Woods

Proposal: Reserved matters application Land South of Cuerden Farm and pursuant to outline planning permission Woodcocks Farm and land north of 11/01085/OUTMAJ for the erection of 294 dwellings, associated infrastructure, car parking and pedestrian / cycle routes, formal and informal open space provision and associated works.

Speakers: Objector - Stuart Smith, Ward Councillor - Mick Muncaster, and the applicant's agent.

RESOLVED (unanimously) - That full planning permission be granted subject to the conditions detailed within the addendum, the removal of permitted development rights for those properties that were identified as part of the Committee debate and fronting Wigan Road and an additional condition regarding the drainage maintenance to ensure that the ditches remain un-impeded.

Application: 13/00062/FULMAJ - Proposal: Erection of 14 no. detached two C) Burrows (Grass Machinery) Limited, and a half storey dwellings, associated Clayton-le-Woods, garaging and infrastructure Wigan Road, Leyland, PR25 5SD

Speakers: Ward Councillor – Mick Muncaster, and the applicant.

RESOLVED (11:0:3) - That planning permission be approved subject to a Section 106 legal agreement and the conditions detailed within the report in the agenda and the amended conditions in the addendum.

d) Application: 13/00202/FUL - Home Proposal: New agricultural dwellinghouse Farm, Grape Lane, Croston, Leyland PR26 9HB

Speakers: Supporter – Keith Iddon and the applicant's agent Tony Lang

A vote on the proposal for a site visit was lost (5:8:1).

RESOLVED (8:5:1) - That planning permission be refused as the proposed development would be located within the Green Belt as defined by the adopted Chorley Borough Local Plan Review (2003) where planning permission would not be given except in very special circumstances. Members of the Development Control Committee did not consider there to be sufficient agricultural or other very special circumstances to justify the erection of a dwelling.

e) Application: 13/00203/FULMAJ -Unit 7 and 9 Revolution Park, Buckshaw Avenue, Buckshaw Village, Chorley

Proposal: Section 73 application to vary condition 4 (approved plans) and condition 37 (implementation of approved landscaping scheme) attached to planning approval 12/00911/FULMAJ to allow for amendments to the planting scheme and the timescale for planting the western landscape buffer associated with Plot B

Speaker: Applicant's agent.

RESOLVED (unanimously) – That planning permission be approved subject to the conditions detailed within the report in the agenda and the amended condition detailed in the addendum.

f) Application: 13/00076/OUTMAJ -Hospital Car Park, Preston Road, Chorley

Proposal: Application for a new planning permission to replace the extant outline permission planning no. 09/00033/OUTMAJ (which permitted the demolition of the existing building and erection of a 4 storey apartment building providing 28 one and two bed roomed apartments with associated car parking) in order extend time limit to implementation

RESOVLED (unanimously) – That planning permission be approved subject to a Section 106 legal agreement and the conditions detailed within the report in the agenda and an additional condition detailed within the addendum.

g) Application: 13/00166/FUL -Hospital Car Park, Preston Road, Chorley

Proposal: Application to extend the temporary permission for the use of the site as a hospital car park for a 3 year period

RESOLVED (unanimously) – That planning permission be approved subject to the conditions detailed within the report in the agenda.

h) Application: 13/00072/FUL - Visitors Centre, Yarrow Valley Country Park, Birkacre Road, Chorley, PR7 3RN

Proposal: Change of use from Visitors Centre (sui generis) to a mixed use of Visitors Centre (sui generis) and A3 cafe, erection of a canopy to front entrance (4m x 2.5m) and additional flagged area to south and west elevations with drainage to perimeter to be connected to existing surface water system

RESOLVED (unanimously) – That planning permission be granted subject to the conditions detailed within the report in the agenda.

13.DC.30 ENFORCEMENT REPORT

The Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy submitted a report regarding land to the rear of 125 Rawlinson Lane, Heath Charnock, Chorley which sought Members instruction as to whether it was felt expedient to issue an enforcement notice in respect of a breach of planning control in that without permission there had been a change of use of the land from an agricultural use to domestic curtilage.

RESOLVED (unanimously) – That it was expedient to issue an enforcement notice under Section 171A(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 in respect of the breach of planning control as the proposed development would be detrimental to the character and appearance of the green belt and would be prejudicial to the purpose of the green belt in terms of encroachment into the countryside, contrary to Policy DC1 of the Adopted Chorley Borough Local Plan Review and Paragraph 80 National Planning Policy Framework.

13.DC.31 PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL PLANNING OBLIGATION

The Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy submitted a report regarding the non-compliance of planning conditions relating to the approved planning permission reference 00/00492/FUL, land adjacent to Hurst Green/Chapel Lane, Coppull. Members of the Committee were asked to consider whether it was necessary to take enforcement action against conditions numbered 15, 16, 22 or 24.

RESOLVED (unanimously) – That the Council would not enforce against the non-compliance of conditions 15, 16, 22 and 24 of the planning permission reference 00/00492/FUL and instead enter into an supplemental Section 106 agreement that effectively removed the obligation on the developer to lay out an equipped play area and instead pay a commuted sum of £25,000 to the Play and Recreation Fund that would be allocated across the borough and in addition a commuted sum of £11,892 as a maintenance contribution for the POS defined as recreation land in the original agreement.

13.DC.32 PLANNING APPEALS AND DECISIONS

The Director of Partnerships, Planning and Policy submitted a report which gave notice of one enforcement appeal that had been lodged with the Planning Inspectorate.

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