

## **HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL**

A meeting of the Planning Committee will be held in the Council Chamber, Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Thursday 22 June 2017 commencing at 7.30pm or at the rise of Town Council.

**PRESENT** Councillors: J. Bullock, (in the Chair) M. Brady, P. Holmes, J. Kellett, K. McKeon, S. Rock, C. Root, K. Schofield, G. Stone, P. Wright  
C. Hutchinson, Town Clerk

**TO APPOINT THE CHAIR OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR 2017 – 2018:**

**PL 3709** Proposed by Councillor Kellett, seconded by Councillor Holmes and resolved to appoint Councillor Bullock as Chair of the Planning Committee for 2017 – 2018.

**CHAIR TO OUTLINE FIRE SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:**

**PL 3710** The Chair outlined the procedure.

**TO APPOINT THE DEPUTY CHAIR OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE FOR 2017 – 2018:**

**PL 3711** Proposed by Councillor Kellett, seconded by Councillor Holmes and resolved to appoint Councillor McKeon as Deputy Chair of the Planning Committee for 2017 – 2018.

**TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPT THE REASONS**

**PL 3712** Resolved to accept apologies for absence from Councillors Chadwick, Denton and Jarvis as presented.

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

**PL 3713** None.

**TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 18 MAY 2017**

**PL 3714** Resolved to approve the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 18 May 2017.

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

**PL 3714** In order to reserve the right to vote on Bolton Council's Planning Committee where the decision about planning would be made, Councillor Kellett would not take part in the discussion or voting.

00807/17

Mere Brow, Chorley Old Road

Engineering work to increase site levels, erection of outbuilding at rear, widening of existing access together with continuation of boundary wall and installation of new gates.

There had been one comment received from a neighbour who had no objection in principle but commented that if the land was lowered rather than risen in height then the proposed outbuilding would be completely hidden by the hedge. While expressing some sympathy for the neighbour, it was resolved to recommend approval of this application.

00850/17

Land opposite Montcliffe House, Georges Lane

Erection of additional stable and storage facilities.

There had been one letter of support and one comment which stated there was no objection providing the stables are for personal and not commercial use and also a request that the manure trailer should be finished in green.

Resolved to recommend approval of this application with the condition that the stables are for personal and not commercial use.

00914/17

Former Bolton Community College Horwich Campus, Victoria Road.

Removal of condition 02 on application 96670/16 (public art no longer required).

There had been two objections from Councillors McKeon and Silvester on the grounds that public art is a policy requirement and should be upheld and is neither unnecessary nor irrelevant as the developer has stated. Resolved to recommend refusal of this application on the grounds of the reasons stated by Councillors McKeon and Silvester.

Following discussion it was resolved that the Town Council write to the developer Jones Homes with the request that, while noting the application for the removal of condition 02, they would consider using public art funding to pay for a mural at the new Leisure Centre, to be painted by local artist Gerry Halpin who had already volunteered his services for this purpose, and also to inform Bolton Leisure Trust via Jon Gorton.

00943/17

49 Victoria Road

Demolition of existing conservatory and erection of single storey extension at rear incorporating the conversion of existing outhouse to form sun room.

There had been no objections or comments. Resolved to recommend approval of this application.

00988/17

88/90 Winter Hey Lane

Additional use of existing restaurant (Class A3) to include hot food takeaway (Class A5).

There had been no objections or comments. There was some concern expressed that there the takeaway service was already being advertised prior to permission being granted. It was confirmed that there would be a separate area for the takeaway element of the business, partitioned off from the restaurant. Several Members expressed the opinion that it was important to bring back business to a shop that had been empty for a considerable amount of time. Resolved to recommend approval of this application.

01837/17

Rose Cottage, New Chapel Lane

Erection of single storey front extension.

There had been no objections or comments. Resolved to recommend approval of this application.

#### BOLTON COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS IN HORWICH: FOR INFORMATION ONLY

PL 3715

00176/17

Horwich Moor Farm, Matchmoor Lane

Importation of sub soil, inert materials and top soils (to allow future use for grazing of livestock).

No recommendation or comment made at Horwich due to the complexity of the application. Approved at Bolton subject to numerous conditions to safeguard the biodiversity on the moor, for provision of satisfactory means of surface water drainage and to safeguard the living conditions of residents and the amenity and character of the area with regard to noise and/or disturbance.

00691/17

3 Crompton Road, Lostock

Erection of porch to front and dormers to front and rear elevation.

Recommended for approval at Horwich. Refused at Bolton on grounds that the proposed development's height and siting were detrimental to the character and appearance of the area.

Resolved to note the Bolton Council Planning decisions in Horwich.

CORRESPONDENCE: FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- PL 3716
- a) Waldon Telecom: pre planning submission consultation re proposed base installation on land to rear of Gordons Horwich Service Station, 427 Chorley New Road.
  - b) Bolton Council: Planning Inspectorate decision for planning ref 96783/16 Toppings, Foxholes – proposed demolition of existing bungalow and erection of two detached dwellings.
  - c) Bolton Council: notification of temporary road closure Hawksley Street/Abernethy Street 26 June 2017 for 2 months (watercourse diversion works).
  - d) Bolton Council: notification of temporary road closures road traffic regulation (Special Events) Act 1994 – various streets and dates (Horwich Special Events Programme 2017).
  - e) Ironman UK: road access information for events in Horwich on Sunday 16 July 2017.

Resolved to note the correspondence as presented.

TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING AS 20 JULY 2017:

- PL 3717 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting as 20 July 2017.

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS: FOR INFORMATION ONLY

- PL 3718 None.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm.

Chairperson ..... Date.....