

## HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on Thursday 23 September 2021 commencing at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: D. Grant (in the Chair), I. Aldcroft, M. Brady, S. Burke, S. Denton, S. Rock, C. Rotheram, G. Stone.  
Town Clerk, C. Hutchinson

CHAIRPERSON TO OUTLINE FIRE AND SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:

PL 4175 Councillor Grant outlined the fire and safety evacuation procedure.

TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPT THE REASONS:

PL 4176 Resolved to accept apologies from Councillors Baines, Bostocksmith, Chadwick, Coward and Williamson.

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

PL 4177 Councillor Aldcroft declared a personal interest in application no. 11855/21. Councillor Grant declared a personal interest in application no 11932/21 and would not take part in the voting. In order to reserve the right to vote on Bolton Council's Planning Committee when the decisions about planning would be made Councillor Brady stated that she would not take part in the voting.

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 19 AUGUST 2021:

PL 4178 Resolved to approve the minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 19 August 2021 with amendments as requested by Councillor Stone.

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

PL 4179 11770/21  
14 Factory Hill  
Outline application for the erection of a detached dwelling within landscaped gardens (access, layout and scale only).

There had been 2 objections on grounds of over-development of the site; loss of privacy to neighbours; loss of light; development will be within the 3m easement of the stream; insufficient parking; impact on parking space for neighbouring property; highway safety/visibility onto Factory Hill; subterranean part of dwelling not possible owing to the watercourse; poor design.

Resolved to recommend refusal of this application due to concerns about over-development of a fairly small site, effect on the existing watercourse as well as issues with access and highway safety on Factory Hill.

11792/21

60 Bottom o'th'Moor

Demolition of conservatory and porch and erection of single-storey extensions to front and rear and dormer at front.

Resolved to recommend approval of this application.

11819/21

41 Gresley Avenue

Erection of a single storey extension at side together with associated structural alterations.

Resolved to recommend approval of this application.

11855/21

Woodlands, Chorley Old Road

Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 3no dwellings with associated access.

There had been 1 objection on grounds of obstruction of views and over-development.

Resolved to recommend refusal of this application due to overdevelopment, character already ruined by removal of trees, concerns re access onto Chorley Old Rd. Members also queried if this is in the conservation area as proposed design of dwellings was not in keeping with the surrounding area.

11891/21

74 Bottom o'th'Moor

Erection of dormer at front

Resolved to recommend approval of this application

11897/21

627A Chorley New Road

Erection of a single storey extension at side.

Resolved to recommend approval of this application.

11925/21

Hill Cottage, 22 Hughes Avenue

Erection of 1no detached bungalow.

There had been 1 objection on grounds that the proposed development would be detrimental to the area; loss of garden space; impact on wildlife from loss of garden.

Resolved to recommend approval of this application.

11932/21

33 Lee Lane

Change of use of opticians to drinking establishment (sui generis).

Resolved to recommend approval of this application.

11940/21

Ardwyn, Princess Road, Lostock

Erection of a front porch, conversion of existing garage into habitable accommodation with front extension and erection of a car barn and new vehicular access.

Resolved to recommend approval of this application

11948/21

Pavement Church Street opposite Bridge Street

Prior approval application for the siting of a 20metre high EE/H3G Phase 7 streetworks pole on root foundation and associated ancillary works.

Resolved to recommend refusal of this application due to concerns about insufficient access for pedestrians, it can be viewed from both conservation areas, will affect access to bus stop, access for maintenance of retaining wall, potential hazard to wheelchair users and the visually impaired. Members asked if consideration could be given to a more suitable, less obtrusive location and if requirements for adequate cell coverage mean that it has to go in this exact location.

12052/21

The Jolly Crofters, Chorley Old Road

Prior application approval application for the erection of a slim line Phase 8 monopole, c/w wrap around cabinet at base, 3no additional ancillary equipment cabinets and associated ancillary works.

Resolved to recommend refusal of this application concerns re highway safety due to location close to junction with New Chapel Lane and intrusive visual appearance

**BOLTON COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS IN HORWICH (EMAILED TO ALL COUNCILLORS): FOR INFORMATION ONLY:**

PL 4180 A list of contrary planning decisions had been circulated to all Members for information.

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

PL 4181 a. Bolton Council: notification of temporary road closure Lever Park Avenue, Horwich on 11 September for 1 day for fell race event.

notification of temporary road closures and restrictions for Ironman event on Sunday 4 July 2021.

- b. Ironman 70.3 Bolton: notification of temporary road closures Lever Park Avenue, Scholes Bank, Chorley New Road Horwich on 26 September 2021 07.30 – 14.45.
- c. NALC: Local Nature Recovery Strategies consultation.

TO CONFIRM THE DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AS 21 OCTOBER 2021:

PL 4182 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Planning Committee as 21 October 2021.

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS: FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

PL 4183 Application number 08075/20 Land at Lever Park Avenue – planning hearing due to take place week beginning 20 September 2021 had been postponed due to illness. As yet, no alternative date has been arranged

The meeting closed at 8.11 pm.

Chair..... Date.....