

HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held in the Council Chamber, Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Thursday 21 September 2023 commencing at 7.15 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: S. Rock (in the Chair), I. Aldcroft, R. Bamforth, S. Burke, G. Campbell, D. Grant, V. Rigby, C. Rotheram, J. Scoble, J. Walton, S. Williamson, P. Wright.
Town Clerk, C. Hutchinson

CHAIRPERSON TO OUTLINE FIRE AND SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:

PL 4388 Councillor Rock outlined the fire and safety evacuation procedure.

TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPT THE REASONS:

PL 4389 Resolved to accept apologies from Councillors Chadwick, McKeon, Rotheram 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 4390 In order to reserve the right to vote on Bolton Council's Planning Committee where the decisions about planning would be made, Councillor Bamforth and Councillor Grant stated that they would take part in the discussion but would abstain from voting. Councillor Bamforth also declared a personal interest in application no.16555/23 as a member of Ridgmont House and would not take part in either the discussion or voting.

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 24 AUGUST 2023:

PL 4391 Resolved to approve the minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 24 August 2023.

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

PL 4392 **16623/23**
Lostock Dene, High Bank, Lostock
Creation of new access road

No highway objections.

Resolved to recommend approval, subject to Tree and Woodlands conditions regarding protection of trees.

16677/23

Unit 5, Albert Works, Albert Street
Change of use from B2 (car repair centre) to class E (personal trainer gym)

No highway objections, acting on existing industrial use associated with premises, sustainable town centre location and level of associated off-road parking (5 spaces)

Resolved to recommend approval.

1667/23

9 Blandford Rise, Lostock

Erection of a first-floor front and side extension together with a single storey rear extension following demolition of existing rear conservatory

Resolved to recommend approval.

16353/23

32 Winter Hey Lane

Change of use from existing shop (use class E) to a public house (sui generis)

Resolved to recommend approval.

16687/23

21 Cambridge Road, Lostock

Erection of single storey side extension

No highway objections subject to minimum 2 off-road parking spaces to support this level of development

Resolved to recommend refusal due to concerns that there will be insufficient space to accommodate 2 cars.

15958/23

Unit 7 & 8 Lodge Bank

Erection of patio to rear

Siting of 1No pavement advertisement signage (0.8M x 1.19M)

Highways commented that there was insufficient information provided by the applicant to enable comment. Assuming proposed signage will be located at the junction of Crown Lane/Lodge Bank, a better plan needs to be provided indicating its proposed location potentially on the public highway for licensing purposes and to ensure it does not impact on visibility at the junction or pose unnecessary obstruction to pedestrian movement. The proposed potential signage content has the potential to pose a limited distraction to users of the public highway

Resolved to recommend refusal as per comments made by Highways.

16555/23

Ridgemont House, Chorley Old Road

Resolved to recommend approval.

156607/23

Blundell Arms, Chorley Old Road

Listed building consent for the installation of replacement signs to include 1No post

mounted sign, 2No sets of individual house name letters, 1No post mounted pictorial/amenity sign. 1No post mounted welcome sign.

Resolved to recommend approval.

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

PL 4393 The list of contrary planning decisions was noted

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

PL 4394 None.

TO CONFIRM THE DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AS 19 OCTOBER 2023:

PL 4395 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Planning Committee as 19 October 2023.

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS: FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

PL 4396 The Town Clerk referred to the consultation from Bolton Council on street naming and numbering of land at Lostock Way, closing date for comments 2 October 2023.

The meeting closed at 7.42 pm.

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

