

HORWICH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held in the Council Chamber, Public Hall, Lee Lane, Horwich on Thursday 20 July 2023 commencing at 8.10 pm.

PRESENT Councillors: S. Rock (in the Chair), R. Bamforth, S. Chadwick, D. Grant, K. McKeon, V. Rigby, C. Rotheram, J. Scoble, J. Walton, P. Wright.
Town Clerk, C. Hutchinson
1 member of the public

CHAIRPERSON TO OUTLINE FIRE AND SAFETY EVACUATION PROCEDURE:

PL 4370 Councillor Rock outlined the fire and safety evacuation procedure.

TO SUBMIT APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPT THE REASONS:

PL 4371 Resolved to accept apologies from Councillors Aldcroft, Burke and Campbell.

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

PL 4372 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.

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 22 JUNE 2023:

PL 4373 Resolved to approve the minutes and recommendations of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 22 June 2023.

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

PL 4374 **16034/23**

Wallsuches, 1 Gingham Brow

Listed building consent for the installation of internal through floor lift

Resolved to recommend approval, subject to condition that proposed development is in keeping with the conservation area.

16026/23

Firs Cottage, Old Rake

Variation of condition 3 (approved drawings) on application 15252/23 to amend design of external elevations and replace first floor render with glazing

Resolved to recommend approval that materials used are in keeping with and sympathetic to the conservation area.

16193/23

Brackenburn, Chorley Old Road

Erection of two storey extension to rear including the raising of the height of the existing flat roofed rear extension together with a timber extension to garage and

part conversion of existing garage to form ancillary roof facilities

Resolved to recommend approval.

16228/23

10 Ashness Close

Erection of attached concrete garage to rear

There had been 2 objections – the garage has already been built, not in keeping with other garages in the area (material), impact on the character and appearance of the area, overlooks garden, loss of sunlight from garden, health and safety concerns, impact on value of neighbouring property

Highways had raised no objections

Resolved to recommend refusal due to the retrospective nature of the application.

16264/23

102 Lee Lane

Change of use from existing dwellinghouse to office and design studio

Highways had raised no objections. Conditions had been requested by Pollution Control with regard to opening hours and acoustic insulation.

Resolved to recommend refusal due to the development not being in keeping with the town centre conservation area, unsuitable for retail and concerns about parking.

16303/23

1 Edge Hill, Bridge Street

Extension of existing porch to front and the demolition of conservatory with erection of single storey lean-to extension at rear to form subterranean parking and storage room together with the extension of existing garden terrace across the existing garage and removal of the existing pitched roof

Resolved to recommend approval subject to condition that materials used are in keeping with the conservation area.

16300/23

Horwich Loco Industrial Estate, Chorley New Road

Variation of condition 18 (approved plans) on application 11586/21

Resolved to recommend approval.

16331/23

Walker Fold, Walker Fold Road

Erection of 3 no sculpture installation within Walker Fold Wood

This was an amendment to the previously approved application regarding change in location of sculptures

Resolved to recommend approval.

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

PL 4375 The list of contrary planning decisions was noted

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

- PL 4376
- a. Bolton Council: notification of carriageway resurfacing and drainage work on Chorley New Road (Maple Avenue) commencing 28 July for approximately 2 weeks
 - b. Bolton Council: notification of carriageway resurfacing and drainage work on Chorley New Road (Scholes Bank) commencing 2 July for approximately 2 weeks

TO CONFIRM THE DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AS 24 AUGUST 2023:

PL 4377 Resolved to confirm the date of the next meeting of the Planning Committee as 24 August 2023.

OTHER PLANNING MATTERS: FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

- PL 4378 Members were informed of the following planning matters:
- Disposal by Bolton Council of decorative ornamental lights following refurbishment of Old Station Park
 - Building work going on at property on Brownlow Road which had been refused planning permission for a HMO
 - Change of use of a property on Victoria Road to flats/Airbnb

The meeting closed at 8.43 pm.

Chair.....

Date.....

