

MINUTE of MEETING of the DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held within WEBEX VIRTUAL MEETING, on 9 JUNE 2021.

Present – Councillors Charles Kennedy (Chair), Tom Kerr, Stuart Borrowman, Willie Boyle, Pauline Clark, Tom Conn, Lawrence Fitzpatrick, George Paul and David Tait

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Agenda Item 7 (App No.0237/FUL/21) - Councillor Willie Boyle declared an interest in that he currently had separate business dealings with the architects firm involved in the planning application so would not participate in the item of business; and

Agenda Item 5 (App No.0095/FUL/21) - Councillor Stuart Borrowman declared an interest in that he had recently visited the school premises and been provided with a tour of the new facilities but would participate in the item of business.

2. ORDER OF BUSINESS

Committee agreed that in accordance with Standing Order 8(3) that agenda items 8 (Delegated Decisions) and 9 (Appeals) were to be taken as read and their recommendations noted without any further consideration.

3. MINUTE

The committee approved the minute of its meeting held on 12 May 2021 as a correct record.

4. APPLICATION NO.0095/FUL/21

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Planning, Economic Development and Regeneration concerning an application as follows:-

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
0095/FUL/21	Application under Section 42 for deletion/variation of conditions 4 and 5 (tree protection and retention) of planning permission 0639/FUL/19, Blackridge Primary School, 56 Main Street, Blackridge	Grant subject to conditions

The committee first heard from Mr Paul McCormack speak in support of his objections to the application.

The committee then heard from Mr James Cameron, Head of Education (Learning, Policy and Resources) West Lothian Council, speak in support of the application.

Decision

To approve the Section 42 application subject to conditions and to agree that it be delegated to the Development Management Manger to agree any minor adjustments that required to be made regarding the removal and replanting of the trees.

5. APPLICATION NO.0161/FUL/21

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Planning, Economic Development and Regeneration concerning an application as follows:-

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
0161/FUL/21	Erection of garage with upper floor hobby accommodation, Turner House, Gowanbank, Westfield	Refuse planning permission

The committee first heard from Mrs Louise Guy speak in support of her objections to the application.

The committee then heard from Mr Tommy Cochrane, the applicant's agent and Mr Andrew Provan, the applicant, who both spoke in support of the application.

Committee noted that that whilst Mr and Mrs Smyth were in attendance at the meeting they were only there to answer questions and not to present to committee.

Decision

To approve the terms of the report and refuse planning permission.

6. APPLICATION NO.0237/FUL/21

Councillor Willie Boyle took no further part in the remaining items of business having previously declared an interest that required him to leave the meeting.

The committee considered a report (copies of which had been circulated) by the Head of Planning, Economic Development and Regeneration concerning an application as follows:-

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
0237/FUL/21	Erection of a replacement house, demolition of outbuildings and erection of an additional house, 11 Holmes holdings, Holmes Road, Broxburn	Refuse planning permission

The committee first heard from Councillor Chris Horne, a local ward member, who spoke in support of the application.

The committee then heard from Mr Euan Pearson, the applicant's agent, speak in support of the application.

Decision

To approve the terms of the report and refuse planning permission with an additional reason for refusal that the proposal was contrary to Policy ENV7 of the LDP

7. LIST OF DELEGATED DECISIONS

The Head of Planning, Economic Development and Regeneration had delegated powers to issue decisions on planning applications and enforcement action.

A list (copies of which had been circulated) of delegated and enforcement action for the period 7 to 28 May 2021 was submitted for the information of committee.

Decision

To note the list of delegated decisions.

8. APPEALS

The committee noted that the following appeals, which had been submitted to the Scottish Government following refusal of planning permission had been dismissed :-

<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Proposal</u>
0340/P/19	Residential Development with Access, Servicing, Open Space, Landscaping, Suds and Infrastructure Works at land at Wilcoxholm Farm, Linlithgow

0765/P/20

Planning Permission in Principle for Residential for a 4.2Ha Residential Development Comprising of 9 Housing Plots, Access, Landscaping and associated works at Land to South West of Craigrigg Cottages, Bridgehouse, Westfield

The committee noted that the following appeal, which had been submitted to the Scottish Government following refusal of planning permission had been allowed in part :-

Application No.

Proposal

0375/P/20

Application Under Section 42 To Develop Land Without Complying with Condition 2B (Requires Approval of Details of Means of Access to All Buildings) and condition 2H (Requires Approval of a Design Statement) of Planning Permission 0689/P/17 for Class 4 Business Use, Class 5 General Industrial Use and Class 6 Storage/Distribution Use at Five Sisters Business Park, Westwood, West Calder