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Harrogate and Knaresborough Area Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 29th August, 2024 commencing at 2.00 pm.

Councillor John Mann in the Chair plus Councillors Chris Aldred, Philip Broadbank and Paul Haslam (acting as substitute for Councillor Schofield).

Officers present: Catriona Gatrell – Head of Legal for Property, Planning & Environment, Nick Turpin – Development Service Manager, Charlotte Pickstone - Career Grade Planning Officer (Observer), Sam Fleming – Career Grade Planning Officer (Observer), Edward Maxwell, Senior Democratic Services Officer; and Dawn Drury, Democratic Services Officer

Apologies: Hannah Gostlow, Mike Schofield and Peter Lacey.

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

The Chair informed the Committee that the planning application at item 4 of the agenda, application number ZC23/04392/FUL – for the erection of two covered padel tennis courts; installation of parking area for up to 80 days of the year, on land at Harrogate Sports And Fitness Centre, Harrogate, North Yorkshire had been withdrawn from consideration by the Council by the applicant's agent, and therefore the item would not be heard.

21 Apologies for Absence

Apologies noted (see above).

22 Minutes for the Meeting held on 25 June 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on the 25 June 2024 were confirmed and signed as an accurate record.

23 Declarations of Interests

Councillor Broadbank declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 5 of the agenda, as he was a member of the Harrogate Civic Society, who had shown support for the application. The Councillor confirmed that he would be keeping an open mind, and that he would speak and vote on the item.

The Committee considered a report of the Assistant Director Planning – Community Development Services relating to an application for planning permission.

In considering the report of the Assistant Director Planning – Community Development Services, regard had been paid to the policies of the relevant development plan, the National Planning Policy Framework and all other material planning considerations.

Where the Committee was minded to approve planning permission in principle and

delegated the decision to the Assistant Director for Planning this was because the proposal was in accordance with the development plan, the National Planning Policy Framework or other material considerations as set out in the report.

24 THIS APPLICATION HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN - ZC23/04392/FUL - Harrogate Sports And Fitness Centre, Harrogate, North Yorkshire

As Members had heard earlier in the meeting, this application had been withdrawn from consideration by the Council.

25 ZC23/04425/FULMAJ - Royal Horticultural Society, Harlow Carr Gardens, Crag Lane, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG3 1QB

Considered:-

The Assistant Director Planning – Community Development Services sought determination of an application for the redevelopment of an existing horticultural service yard to include erection of a workshop and machinery store, composting store, staff welfare building, events store, poly tunnel and glasshouse. Associated landscaping works including retaining structures and perimeter hedges and fencing and amendments to an existing machinery store at Harlow Carr Gardens, Crag Lane, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG3 1QB on behalf of the Royal Horticultural Society.

The Development Service Manager explained that the application had been brought before Members as the land to which the application related was leased to the applicant by North Yorkshire Council.

There were no speakers for the application.

During consideration of the above application, the Committee discussed the following issues:-

- Members queried the applicants aims for the planning application in terms of sustainability and waste circular economy.
- Clarification was sought on the reasons why the officer's recommendation was subject to two contamination remediation conditions.
- If the applicants held a licence to discharge waste into the beck to the south of the site.
- Whether there was a Construction Management Plan in place.

The decision:-

Members were minded to approve the application in principle and delegated the decision to the Assistant Director for Planning permission to be granted subject to the conditions detailed in Section 12 of the Committee report.

Voting Record:-

A vote was taken, and the motion was declared carried unanimously

26 Any other items

There were no urgent items of business.

27 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 24 September 2024 at 2.00 pm.

The meeting concluded at 2.27 pm.

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