

North Yorkshire Council

Thirsk and Malton Area Planning Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday, 20 February 2025 commencing at 10.00 am.

Councillor Caroline Goodrick in the Chair and Councillors Joy Andrews, Alyson Baker, Lindsay Burr MBE, Malcolm Taylor and George Jabbour (substitute).

In attendance: Councillor Sam Cross (remotely as Division Member, not voting or counting towards the quorum).

Officers present: Nicki Lishman, Nathan Denman, Alpha Love-Koh and Nick Read.

Apologies: Councillor Nigel Knapton

Copies of all documents considered are in the Minute Book

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

The conditions as set out in the report and the appropriate time limit conditions were to be attached in accordance with the relevant provisions of Section 91 and 92 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

In considering the report, 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 granted planning permission in accordance with the recommendation in a report 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 unless otherwise specified below.

157 Apologies for absence

Apologies noted (see above).

158 Minutes for the meeting held on 16 January 2025

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2025 were agreed and signed by the Chair as a correct record.

Voting record

4 For

2 Abstentions

159 Declarations of interests

There were no declarations of interest.

160 ZF24/01766/FL - Extension to and reinforcement of the existing seawall and addition of replacement rock armour at Land South Of Royal Parade, Filey, North Yorkshire

The Head of Development Management – Community Development Services sought determination of planning application reference ZF24/01766/FL for the above development at the Land to the South of Royal Parade, Filey.

The application was in relation to a North Yorkshire Council-led development to extend and reinforce a section of the seawall and, in accordance with the North Yorkshire Council Area Constituency Planning Committees Scheme of Delegation, the application falls to be determined by the Thirsk and Malton Planning Committee.

The officer took Members through a presentation detailing:

- the location of existing land drainage pipework
- the extent of the works
- access during construction, which would be as the arrangements for existing works to repair the seawall.
- biodiversity and ecological enhancements to take place on the adjacent cliff

The officer advised that since the original submission, the Council ecologists had recommended a change to the red line boundary area of the site.

Biodiversity net gain regulations stipulated that the works must take place within the application site therefore the plans required amendment to incorporate this area within the red line. Amended plans, showing the expansion of the relevant boundary including the adjacent cliff as part of the application site were being prepared.

Therefore, the Solicitor advised that the decision would be that Members were minded to approve the application with delegated authority to officers.

Councillor Sam Cross, Division Member, attended the meeting remotely and spoke in support of the application.

Councillor Lindsay Burr raised concerns regarding the safety of the public trying to leave the beach in an emergency and sought assurances that there would be no impact on current accesses from the beach. Officers advised that this was outside the remit of this application, but these concerns would be raised with North Yorkshire Council engineers who were leading the project and could take account of Members' concerns.

During consideration of the item, Members queried:

- The provision of a construction management plan
- Access and timescales for the works
- Access up and across the rock armour in an emergency
- Drainage from the slipway and cliff

The Chair proposed and Councillor Alyson Baker seconded that Members were minded to approve the application.

Resolved (unanimously)

That Members were minded to approve the application subject to the conditions listed in the report and to delegate authority to officers to determine the application following receipt of

amended plans for the application site.

161 Any other items

There were no items of urgent business.

162 Date of next meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Thursday, 20 March 2025.