

MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

11:00am Wednesday 21st April 2021

Online Zoom Meeting

Present: Cllrs T Hazard (Chair) Y Greenfield (Vice Chair), D Yates, R Fife & J Richardson

In attendance: J Savage (Deputy Clerk)

MINUTES

PL21/0622 Apologies for absence – Cllrs R Ringham (appointment) & D Wright (appointment)

PL21/0623 Council members' declaration of interests for items on the agenda - None

PL21/0624 To approve minutes of previous meeting, held on 7th April 2021 - Approved as a true record and signed by the Chair

PL21/0625 To discuss 'Future of Planning Applications'

Following on from the meeting of the Planning Committee 7 April 2021, the Committee discussed certain aspects of the relationship with Gedling Borough Council [in its capacity as the local planning authority] centred around inter-alia the following.

1. A clearer recognition and understanding of the Parish Council's role [as a statutory consultee] in the consultation process regarding applications for planning permission.
2. The relationship between the elected members of the local planning authority and its planning officers in the determination of applications and the definitive scope of officer delegated powers.
3. The weight that is given to the views of the Parish Council in determination of applications.
4. The extent of consideration that is given by the local planning authority to the Neighbourhood Plan and other local agreed planning policies, when determining applications.
5. In respect of 'advertising' of applications to the local planning authority, the extent of that advertising and whether the authority should give consideration to posting notifications of applications on social media [e.g., 'Facebook']
6. The possibility of a 'feedback mechanism' from the local planning authority on the rationale behind determination of planning applications to enable a clearer understanding of the decisions.

After discussion of these various issues, it was resolved that a meeting should be requested with the local planning authority [together with elected ward members] to enable the Committee to explore these issues further, to gain a better understanding.

PL21/0626 Notice of Planning Granted / Refused: Noted

PL21/0627 Information update: None

PL21/0628 Date of next meeting: 4 May 2021 6:30pm

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____
Chair of the Planning Committee