

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

SOUTHERN LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2007 AT 1005 HOURS IN THE BARRHILL CENTRE, BANK AVENUE, CUMNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Jim Sutherland, Eric Jackson, Jimmy Kelly, Neil McGhee, Jim Roberts, Barney Menzies, Kathy Morrice, Eric Ross and Elaine Dinwoodie.

ATTENDING: Hugh Melvin, Principal Planning Officer; Craig Young, Solicitor; Colin Graham, Minerals Officer and Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Drew Filson and William Crawford

CHAIR: Councillor Jim Sutherland, Vice Chair.

HEARING PROCEDURE

1. The Administrative Officer confirmed that the Hearing Procedure was understood by all participants.
2. **APPLICATION NO 07/0745/FL: KIER CONSTRUCTION LTD: GREENBURN SURFACE MINE, NEW CUMNOCK**

There was submitted an executive summary sheet and report dated 17 November 2007 (both circulated) by the Head of Planning and Economic Development on a full planning application for the proposed extension of mineral workings at the Greenburn Surface Mine, New Cumnock.

2.1 Consideration of Item

The Principal Planning Officer reported that four objections had been received, details of all of which were contained within the report; summarised the planning considerations in respect of the application; and give the recommendation of the Head of Planning and Economic Development: approval subject to the conditions and for the reasons, detailed in the report, but that the issue of the Decision Notice be withheld until the Solicitor to the Council had satisfactorily concluded a formal Agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 with the applicant, in respect of the matters detailed in paragraph 8.8 of the report.

2.2 Planning Hearing

The Committee heard David Paton, objector, representing his objections; Gordon Alston representing the objections submitted by Ann Alston; and Archie Ralston representing the objections submitted by Yvonne Jackson. Members asked questions of the objectors who responded to the issues raised, all in accordance with the Hearing Procedure.

The Committee then heard Mark Harrington, accompanied by David Thomson, representing the applicant, in support of the application. Members asked questions of the applicant's representatives who responded to the issues raised, all in accordance with the Hearing Procedure.

The Chair closed the Hearing.

2.3 Determination of Application

It was agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions, and for the reasons, detailed in the report, but that the issue of the Decision Notice be withheld until the Solicitor to the Council had satisfactorily concluded a formal Agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 with the applicant in respect of the matters detailed in paragraph 8.8 of the report.

Councillor Eric Jackson joined the meeting at this point.

3. APPLICATION NO: 07/0789/FL: IRVINE HOUSING ASSOCIATION: GROUND AT LITTMILL ROAD, DRONGAN

There was submitted an executive summary sheet and report dated 19 November 2007 (both circulated) by the Head of Planning and Economic Development on a full planning application for the proposed erection of 25 dwellinghouses at Littlemill Road, Drongan.

The Principal Planning Officer advised that paragraph 3.1, lines 1 and 2 of the executive summary sheet and paragraph 8.1, lines 1 and 2 of the report should read "As is indicated in Section 5 of this report, the application is not considered to be in accordance with the Development Plan" and that paragraph 4.10 of the report should be deleted; reported that two letters of objection with four signatories had been received, details of both of which were contained within the report; summarised the planning considerations in respect of the application; and gave the recommendation of the Head of Planning and Economic Development: approval subject to the conditions, and for the reasons, detailed in the report, but that the issue of the Decision Notice be withheld until the Solicitor to the Council had satisfactorily concluded a formal Agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 with the applicant in respect of the matters detailed in paragraph 7.1 of the report.

No Hearing took place because the objectors were neither present nor represented.

It was agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions, and for the reasons, detailed in the report, but that the issue of the Decision Notice be withheld until the Solicitor to the Council had satisfactorily concluded a formal Agreement under Section 75 of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 with the applicant in respect of the matters detailed in paragraph 7.1 of the report.

The meeting terminated at 1055 hours