

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

SOUTHERN LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2011 AT 1000 HOURS IN THE BARRHILL CENTRE, BANK AVENUE, CUMNOCK

PRESENT: Councillors Drew Filson, Neil McGhee, William Crawford, Kathy Morrice, Eric Ross, Elaine Dinwoodie and Moira Pirie.

ATTENDING: Hugh Melvin, Acting Development Management Manager; Fiona Finlay, Principal Planning Officer; Mark Scott, Traffic Engineer; Robin Ghosh, Senior Planning Officer; Melanie Barbour, Solicitor; Jim Smith, Technical Officer; and Lynn Young, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Jimmy Kelly, Jim Roberts, David Shaw and Barney Menzies.

CHAIR: Councillor Drew Filson, Chair.

HEARING PROCEDURE

1. The Committee noted the Hearing Procedure had been circulated to all parties (circulated).

CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS

2. APPLICATION NO 11/0278/PP: MR J SLOAN: LOUDONSTON, NEAR STAIR

There was submitted an executive summary sheet and report dated 25 August 2011 (both circulated) by the Head of Planning and Economic Development on an application for planning permission for the erection of two dwellings with associated garden ground at Loudonston, near Stair.

2.1 Consideration of Item

The Principal Planning Officer reported that 20 letters of objection had been received, details 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.

2.2 Planning Hearing

The Committee heard Mr D Morris and Mr I Lockie on behalf of their objections and those of Mr John Lockie, Mrs Elizabeth Bingham, Mr Graeme Bingham, Mrs Norma Lockie, Mr David Wells, Mrs Agnes Duncan and Mr Andrew Duncan.

The Committee then heard Mr John Mair, Agent for the applicant, in support of the application.

The Chair closed the Hearing.

2.3 Determination of Application

The Principal Planning Officer provided clarification on the points raised during the Hearing.

It was agreed to continue consideration of the application to a future meeting in order that the Members who had participated in the Hearing could undertake a site visit.

3. APPLICATION NO 11/0012/PPP: CUMNOCK REGENERATION (RETAIL) LIMITED: GLAISNOCK SHOPPING CENTRE AND SURROUNDING LAND AT TOWNHEAD STREET, CUMNOCK

There was submitted an executive summary sheet and report dated 23 August 2011 (both circulated) by the Head of Planning and Economic Development on an application for planning permission, in principle, for the redevelopment of the Glaisnock Shopping Centre creating a High Street arrangement of shop units facing the street and creating a more formal streetscape and retail presence along Townhead Street and on to Glaisnock Street of similar scale and proportions to those existing buildings.

3.1 Consideration of Item

The Acting Development Management Manager reported that 5 individual letters of objection had been received; details 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 detailed and for the reasons detailed in the report.

3.2 Planning Hearing

The Committee heard Mr and Mrs Senior from Crossriggs Veterinary Clinic on behalf of their objections.

The applicant was not present or represented.

The Chair closed the Hearing.

3.3 Determination of Application

It was agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions and for the reasons detailed in the report; and that with regard to the Crossriggs Veterinary Clinic, that the detailed proposals for the development shall provide for the access for service vehicles also to be used for larger vehicles requiring to access the clinic; and provide for a customer drop-off point to be created for use by the Veterinary Clinic customers only.

The meeting terminated at 1100 hours.