

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

SOUTHERN LOCAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 23 MAY 2003 AT 1000 HOURS IN
MAUCHLINE COMMUNITY CENTRE, KILMARNOCK ROAD, MAUCHLINE**

PRESENT: Councillors Neil McGhee, George Smith, Tommy Farrell, William Menzies, William Crawford, Elaine Dinwoodie, Elaine Stewart and Jimmy Carmichael.

ATTENDING: Hugh Melvin, Principal Planning Officer; Karen McLeod, Solicitor; and Stuart Nelson, Administrative Officer.

APOLOGIES: Councillors Eric Jackson, Jimmy Kelly and Eric Ross

CHAIR: Councillor Neil McGhee, Chair (Items 1-5 inclusive); and Councillor Tommy Farrell (Item 6).

APPLICATIONS WITHDRAWN

1. The Chair reported, and it was noted, that the following applications had been withdrawn from the Agenda:-
 - (i) Item 2: Application No 02/0838/FL: Proposed Erection of Garage for the Storage of Buses at Loan Garage, The Loan, Mauchline by William Milligan & Sons (Coaches);
 - (ii) Item 5: Application No 03/0076/FL: Proposed Erection of Residential Dwellinghouse to Form Living Accommodation for Fishery Manager, at Coyle Water Fishery, A70, Coalhall by Mrs P M Stevenson; and
 - (iii) Item 6: Application No 03/0123/OL: Proposed Erection of New Dwellinghouse for Agricultural Worker at Milreoch Farm, Hollybush by Dinwoodie Farm Management Limited.

2. APPLICATION NO 02/0998/FL: NEW CITY HOMES LIMITED: GROUND AT CAIRN ROAD, CUMNOCK

There was submitted an executive summary sheet and report dated 12 May 2003 (both circulated) by the Head of Planning and Building Control on a full planning application for the proposed erection of a bungalow and double garage on ground at Cairn Road, Cumnock.

2.1 Declaration of Interest

Councillor Menzies declared a direct non-pecuniary interest in this item of business and left the meeting at this point.

2.2 Hearing Procedure

The Administrative Officer established that the Hearing Procedure was understood by all participants.

2.3 Consideration of Item

The Principal Planning Officer reported that one letter of objection, containing two signatures, 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 Building Control: Refusal, for the reasons detailed in the report.

2.4 Planning Hearing

The Committee heard Mrs Watt, in support of the objections submitted by Mr David Watt.

The Chair closed the Hearing.

Councillor Carmichael joined the meeting at this point but took no part in the consideration or determination of this application.

2.5 Determination of Application

It was agreed to approve the application since the proposed development would result in the enhancement of an untidy piece of unkempt land within the Cumnock settlement boundary, subject to conditions, and for reasons, to be determined by the Head of Planning and Building Control.

Councillor Menzies rejoined the meeting at this point.

3. APPLICATION NO 02/0944/FL: SCOTTISH WATER: AFTON WATER TREATMENT WORKS, AFTON ROAD, NEW CUMNOCK

There was submitted an executive summary sheet and report dated 9 May 2003 (both circulated) by the Head of Planning and Building Control on a full planning application for the proposed construction of additional treatment process to upgrade existing works to meet new legislative requirements, i.e. a single storey building and additional external steel tanks at Afton Water Treatment Works, Afton Road, New Cumnock.

The Principal Planning Officer reported that one letter of objection had been received in respect of this application, 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 Building Control: Approval, subject to the conditions, and for the reasons, detailed in the report.

No Hearing took place as the objector was not present or represented.

It was agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions, and for the reasons, detailed in the report.

4. APPLICATION NO 03/0224/FL: AIRWAVE MM02 LIMITED: GROUND AT MANEIGHT FARM, DALLEAGLES, BY NEW CUMNOCK

There was submitted an executive summary sheet and report dated 8 May 2003 (both circulated) by the Head of Planning and Building Control on a full planning application for the proposed installation of a 20m high lattice tower plus 2.5m high head frame supporting three 4 stack antennae and two transmission dishes with one cabin to be located at ground level all to be surrounded by a 1m high stock-proof fence at Maneight Farm, Dalleagles, by New Cumnock.

The Principal Planning Officer reported that no objections had been received in respect of this application; summarised the planning considerations in respect of the application; and gave the recommendation of the Head of Planning and Building

Control: Approval, subject to the conditions, and for the reasons, detailed in the report.

It was agreed to approve the application subject to the conditions, and for the reasons, detailed in the report.

5. APPLICATION NO 02/0869/OL: MS T STIRLING: FARDEN FARM, NEW CUMNOCK

There was submitted an executive summary sheet and report dated 14 May 2003 (both circulated) by the Head of Planning and Building Control on an outline planning application for the proposed erection of a dwellinghouse and stables for the purpose of breeding horses and ponies at Farden Farm, New Cumnock.

The Principal Planning Officer reported that no objections had been received in respect of this application; summarised the planning considerations in respect of the application; and gave the recommendation of the Head of Planning and Building Control: Refusal, for the reasons detailed in the report.

It was agreed (i) to refuse the application for the reasons detailed in the report; but (ii) notwithstanding, and in recognition of the particular requirements of the nature of the proposed activity in this case, to remit to the Head of Planning and Building Control to provide appropriate advice and information to the applicant to allow her the opportunity to address the reasons for refusal.

6. APPLICATION NO 02/0900/FL: MR J McMAHON, LAND ADJACENT TO 25 MAIN STREET, SORN (Item 8, Page 3247, 99/03)

6.1 Members Eligible to Participate

Given that consideration of this application had been continued following a Hearing, at which they were not present, Councillors McGhee and Crawford took no part in consideration or determination of this application.

6.2 Appointment of Chair

Councillor McGhee vacated the Chair in favour of Councillor Farrell.

6.3 Consideration of Application

It was noted that Members of the Committee had attended a site visit in respect of this application prior to the meeting.

The Principal Planning Officer reported that one letter of objection had been received in respect of this application, 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 Building Control: Refusal, for the reasons detailed in the report.

6.4 Determination of Application

It was agreed:-

- (i) to approve the application since the loss of this area of maintained open space would not be significantly detrimental to residents of Sorn or to the residential area within which it is located, or to the special character of Sorn No.1 Conservation Area, and therefore accords with Policy ENV 4 of the adopted East Ayrshire Local Plan (2003); and

- (ii) to remit to the Head of Planning and Building Control to determine the conditions to be attached to the approval and the reasons for these, to include the following matters, namely:-
- (a) the summer seat located on the area of ground in question to be retained;
 - (b) hard standing to be provided on significantly less than 100% of the area;
 - (c) existing trees located within the area to be retained;
 - (d) any fences to be erected shall be to the satisfaction of the Head of Planning and Building Control; and
 - (e) the applicant shall have no permitted development rights.

The meeting terminated at 1035 hours.