

LIMAVADY BOROUGH COUNCIL
COMHAIRLE BHUIRG LÉIM AN MHADAIDH

PLANNING AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

6 SEPTEMBER 2007

Minutes of meeting held in the Council Offices, 7 Connell Street, Limavady at 7.00 pm on the above date.

PRESENT:

Aldermen J Rankin, G Mullan and G Robinson. Councillors A Brolly, P Butcher, M Carten, B Chivers, M Coyle, L Cubitt, M Donaghy, J F McElhinney, C Ó hOisín (chair) and A Robinson.

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Clerk and Chief Executive. Mrs Andree McNee, Planning Service.

APOLOGIES:

Councillors B Douglas and E Stevenson.

SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS: (deferred applications – see appendix)

It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Butcher, seconded by Councillor Brolly that the Schedule of Planning Applications - item 5 on the agenda would be brought forward.

From the outset Councillor Coyle requested that it be noted that he objected to applications being refused due to PPS14.

Mrs McNee answered queries on applications listed on the deferred schedule and the recommendations were accepted subject to the following:

D1/Approval: B/2005/0733/F – retention of existing garage/store for the storage of private vehicles, domestic equipment (ride-on lawnmower etc), applicant's work vehicle & children's play area) (Mr J Crampsie) Welcomed.

D2/Approval: B/2006/0226/F – erection of two storey replacement 60 bed nursing home , Rush Hall, 51 Broughter Road, Limavady (C. T. Development Ltd) Welcomed.

D3/Approval: B/2006/0335/F – two storey side extension to dwelling to provide 'granny' annex, single storey extension to provide sunroom on north eastern gable, refurbishment of existing outhouses and erection of detached double garage (Mr C Gardner) Welcomed.

D4/Approval: B/2006/0525/RM – erection of two storey dwelling with detached garage 150 metres west of 12 Drumaduff Road, Drumaduff, Limavady (Mr R Wilson) Welcomed.

D5/Refusal: B/2006/0536/A – 2 hoarding & 1 upright (illuminated signs) (retention of 1 upright & 1 hoarding including 1 new hoarding) 16 Seacoast Road & Ballykelly Road (350 metres SE of 16 Seacoast Road) Limavady. Noted.

D6/Withdrawn: B/2006/0556/O – site for replacement dwelling on land approximately 300 m north north east of 25 Temain Road, Aghansillagh, Limavady (Mr J Loughrey) Noted.

D7/Deferred: B/2006/0572/RM – erection of 2 storey rural dwelling with detached garage/store on site adjacent to 142 Windyhill Road, Stradreagh, Limavady (M&Q Builders) It was agreed that decision would be deferred until Planning Service considered recently submitted amended drawings.

D8/Refusal: B/2006/0579/F – two storey rear extension to existing dwelling including garage, store, car-port and first floor bedroom and ensuite (Mr M Canning) Noted.

D9/Withdrawn: B/2006/0597/F – erection of residential development consisting of a mixture of 2 and 2 and a half storey apartments (22 units in total) (K A M A S Properties Ltd) Noted.

SCHEDULE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS: (New applications – see appendix)

Mrs McNee answered questions on the new applications listed on the schedule and the recommendations were accepted, subject to the following:

B/2006/0470/A – retention of existing hoarding temporary development sign at Faughanvale GAC, Clooney Road, Greysteel (Faughanvale GAC) Mrs McNee agreed to hold the application for one month before issuing a refusal decision.

B/2006/0555/F – erection of 4 no. one and a half storey dwellings with associated carparking (2 pairs of semi-detached dwellings) 17 Pollysirea Road, Limavady (Mr A Miller) Mrs McNee agreed to hold the application for one month before issuing a refusal decision.

B/2007/0052/RM – erection of traditional two storey dwelling with detached garage/store 150 metres east of 11 East Road, Ballyquin, Limavady (Mr W Purcell) Members welcomed that Planning Service had changed opinion to recommended approval.

B/2007/0109/F – 4 semi-detached 2 storey dwellings, 72 Gortnaghey Road, Gortnaghey Dungiven (M D O’Kane Developments) Mrs McNee agreed to hold the application for one month before issuing a refusal decision.

B/2007/0111/F – replacement two-storey dwelling and detached garage/domestic store 10 Crocknabrock Road, Dungiven (Mr L King) Mrs McNee agreed to hold the application for one month before issuing a refusal decision.

B/2007/0206/F – demolition of existing building and erection of 41 no. residential units, KFC, junction of Ballykelly Road and Tamlough Park, Ballykelly (Herbel Restaurants Ltd) Mrs McNee informed members that the above application had been withdrawn.

B/2007/0239/F – erection of single storey side extension to dwelling at 9A Boville Road, Dungiven (Mr P McNicholl) Members noted that due to special circumstances, the above application not listed on the schedule had been approved.

Office Meetings: Members were informed that the office meetings would take place on Friday 21 September 2007 for the following applications and that the Planning Clinic would directly follow this.

B/2007/0039/F – amendment to previous approval for 2 townhouses (B/2005/0825/F) to 4 two bed roomed apartments (two-storey) and associated siteworks on land to rear of 80 – 84 Main Street, Limavady (S & M Properties);

B/2007/0092/O – erection of chalet bungalow adjacent to and directly south of 12 Laurel Road, Glack, Limavady (Ms C O’Hara);

B/2007/0099/F – replacement of 1no. detached dwelling with new 3 bedroom detached dwelling; demolition of outbuildings and ancillary sheds; proposed 5 no. 3 bedroom terrace dwellings; 4no. 3 bedroom semidetached dwellings with associated private and shared amenity space at 301 Drumrane Road, Burnfoot (C S T Developments Ltd).

PRESENTATION BY ELECTORAL OFFICE:

The chair welcomed Mrs Patricia Murphy, Area Electoral Officer to the meeting.

Mrs Murphy explained that the Electoral Office were holding a programme of events to highlight that there was no annual canvass this year and were calling on new and old electors and those who had moved home to register with the electoral office. She said the new registration forms were more user friendly, came in different languages and would be widely available.

Mrs Murphy outlined the criteria to register and benefits of having an Electoral Identity Card. She explained that those who did not register would have problems with credit/ bank accounts; difficulty in obtaining a mortgage, have no vote/voice and were committing an offence which could lead to possible prosecution. She added that registration week in October 2007 was aimed at those with a disability and the theme this year was ‘don’t get missed, get on a list’.

A question and answer session followed in which Mrs Murphy answered a number of queries in relation to the registration process. Members thanked Mrs Murphy for her help during the election period.

MINUTES:

The minutes of meeting dated 2 August 2007 were approved and signed on the proposal of Councillor Coyle, seconded by Councillor McElhinney subject to it being noted at on page 2 – Planning Service had agreed to defer decision on application B/2006/0553/F for two months.

MATTERS ARISING:

Closure of Pathology Unit: Members noted with disappointment that a request by Derry City Council for a deputation to meet and discuss the proposals within the consultation document 'The Future of Pathology Services in Northern Ireland' with Michael McGimpsey, Minister for Health, Social Services and Public Safety had been declined. The Chief Executive agreed to raise the issue at the next North West Region Cross Border Group meeting.

NOTICE OF MOTION SUBMITTED BY COUNCILLOR J F McELHINNEY:

Councillor McElhinney proposed:

'That this Council immediately withdraw the recently submitted planning application for provision of public toilets in Ballykelly and bring this proposal before the Planning & Services Committee for appropriate approval.'

Councillor McElhinney said he was unhappy with the suggested location due to the potential for anti-social behaviour. Councillor Butcher seconded the proposal and requested that background information be brought to the Environmental Services meeting on the application.

Councillor Cubitt proposed an amendment:

'That this Council proceed immediately with the erection of public toilets at the specified site in Ballykelly.'

The amendment was seconded by Alderman Robinson but on being put to the meeting was declared lost, with 4 voting for and 9 against. Councillor McElhinney motion was put to the meeting and declared carried, with 9 voting for, 1 against and 3 abstentions.

ROADS:

Signage – Toilets: A request was made for directional signs to the toilets in Main Street car park.

Flooding – Market Street: Members highlighted that despite gullies being cleared by Roads Service, there was still a drainage problem at The Hall, off Market Street and asked that Roads Service review the situation again.

WATER & SEWERAGE: - None.

HOUSING: - None

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

Condolence: It was agreed that a letter of condolence would be forwarded to Russell Averill on the death of his father Tommy.

Marine Tourism Sail West: It was agreed on the proposal of Councillor Cubitt, seconded by Councillor Coyle that an officer would attend the Sail West Project

Steering Group meeting on 17 September 2007 in Glasgow at an approximate cost of £85 for low cost flight, plus accommodation and subsistence allowance.

Fly Tipping/Fly Posting: Members welcomed that new legislation in relation to fly tipping/fly posting would be brought forward in the next few months.

NEXT MEETING - Thursday 4 October 2007

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS
(The meeting ended at 8.25 pm)

Signed: _____
Chair of Meeting