

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

### Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 01.08.16.

**Present:** Pat Crane, Alex Lewis, Malcolm Peel

**1. Apologies:** Alex Stretton

**2. Minutes** of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> July were agreed and signed

**3. Planning Applications:** *July 20<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup>*

**1. Ref:** 16/0908/FUL Land to the south of the White Horse Inn, Leicester Lane, Desford (Kirby Muxloe parish, Blaby DC)

**Detail:** Creation of additional car parking area

**Decision:** Object on the grounds that they started to remove the ancient boundary hedge, that it is an SSSI and requires ecological surveys, blatant disregard for planning law

**2. Ref:** 16/00530/HOU (Re- consultation) 44 Barons Close, Kirby Muxloe

**Detail:** Single storey side extension and external decking area

**Decision:** no objection

**4. Neighbourhood Development Plan:**

- The minutes of the meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> July had been circulated
- The report from the Stakeholder Event had been circulated
- The next step is for the Focus Groups to analyse the evidence so far, to consider further consultation if necessary and to put forward proposals for policies
- All councillors are welcome to join one or more groups:
  - History, Heritage & Housing
  - Traffic & Transport
  - Environment, Flooding, Open Spaces, Recreation & Renewable Energy
  - Facilities, Services, Education, Employment & Economy

**5. Street lights:** MP provided an A3 copy of the plan received from LCC. This can now be compared with the information provided by e on **Action: PC**

**6. Village & Footpath Maps:** AL still to send out sponsorship letters **Action: AL**

**7. Benches:** MP to check whether work has started **Action: MP**

**8. CAT/Neovia:**

- Representatives from Neovia had given a presentation before the July meeting of full Council (paper copy provided). This outlined the reasons

for and details of the forthcoming planning application for a large new warehouse.

- There will be an opportunity for public consultation on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2 – 8pm at the library
- BH asked that we put in a request for the following points to be considered: reactive traffic lights instead of a roundabout at the junction with the new access road, carefully focussed lights that will not affect neighbouring properties, steps to minimise noise nuisance from reversing lorries, provision of a piece of land to extend Kirkby Road Recreation Ground
- To this list could be added provision of a piece of land for extra parking space for SiD
- As no date had been set for another Liaison meeting, PC will send these requests to AD/NW **Action: PC**

#### **9. Christmas Lights;**

- a report had been presented to full Council in July, but it had not included the quotes for providing lights on the cotoneaster tree, so a decision was deferred until the August meeting **Action: MB**
- it was suggested that we need to apply to HBBC for permission to prune the cotoneaster tree and to LCC to put lights on it; also to erect a Christmas tree (so that we have the option of doing both) **Action: PC**

**10. Solar Farm:** At the full Council meeting it was resolved to write again, asking for the promised £20 000, rather than name a project, but the planning committee felt that funding for eg.bus shelters or heritage lamps could be asked for

**Action: MB**

**11. Bus Shelters:** no report from BH

**Action: BH**

#### **12. Litter bins:**

- AL will ring HBBC and ask if the concrete bin on Kirkby Road Rec can be removed **Action: AL**
- PC will check with MB on the progress of the query on payment for Kirkby Road bins **Action: PC**
- MB had been asked to write to HBBC about the bins missing from some of the new lampposts **Action: MB**

#### **13. 106 money:**

- At full Council it had been agreed that more people needed to have an opportunity to suggest what the 106 money might be spent on. AS agreed to collate suggestions, incorporating the proposals from SH and the comments received at the NDP consultation events **Action: AS**

- AL proposed that we put Suggestion Boxes in public buildings, schools, playschool, café, pub etc. These should be colourful and eye-catching. The poster must explain that the money can only be spent on Kirkby Road Rec, Pickard Park or the cemetery (within 400m of Bellway estate)
- We suggest that contact is made with Dan McSharry, Youth Worker

**14. Correspondence:** notification from HBBC that the Site Allocations & Development Management Policies DPD had been adopted on July 12<sup>th</sup>.

**15. Exchange from members:**

- MP asked that the double gate into Pickard Park is moved to the top of the Bulls Head jitty. The contractors currently have to remove a fence panel to gain access **Action: PC**
- PC had had a request that the horse chestnut trees in the churchyard, overhanging the gardens of the cottages on Main Street, are checked for safety. Is the annual tree inspection due in September? **Action: PC**
- PC had received a complaint about the overgrown hedge near the Peckleton Lane notice board **Action: PC**
- The hedge in front of the Primary School has been trimmed today. Need to check whether this was sufficient to allow pushchairs etc along the pavement **Action: PC**
- A tree on Peckleton Lane had been reported to PC as having branches that obstruct the pavement **Action: PC**
- AL commented on the stretch of boundary between the school field and the Rec behind the changing room. The gap between the fence and the hedge collects litter and is used by people taking drugs. We suggest that section of hedge is removed and the police informed
- Children have been climbing on the roof and also getting into the changing rooms via the goal post hole in the back wall. They have been filming themselves inside the building. This has been reported to SH
- A report had been received about an increase in noise and bad language from the Blue Bell since the new landlord took over

**Date of next meeting:** Monday September 5<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm

Signed: .....

Date: .....

