



## BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning and Development Committee held at Arms Everytne House on Thursday, 1 December 2016**

#### **Present:**

Councillors: J R Potts (Chair), A Cartie (Vice-Chair), A Gibbs-Barton, O Potts, J Reid

#### **In Attendance**

Councillor B Elliott

#### **Also Present**

A Spratt, Customer Service & Admin Officer

Marcel Sunier, Project Director, Blyth Offshore Demonstrator Programme

Ian Watson, Mitchell, Halton Watson

No	
<b>1</b>	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>  Councillors: G T Knox, R Parker, A Turnbull. J Hughes, Town Clerk, M Hawthorne, Committee Clerk.
<b>2</b>	<b>DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS AND THE GRANT OF ANY DISPENSATIONS</b>  None.
<b>3</b>	<b>MINUTES FROM THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 20 OCTOBER 2016</b>  Committee agreed to <b>ADOPT</b> the minutes.

<b>4</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>  There were no matters arising.
<b>5</b>	<b>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</b>  Please see attached lists, with comments.
<b>6</b>	<b>BLYTH OFFSHORE DEMONSTRATOR WIND FARM PROJECT</b>  The Chair introduced Mr Ian Watson and Mr Marcel Sunier, Project Director, Demonstrator Wind Farm Project.  Mr Sunier thanked Committee for the opportunity to deliver his presentation. Work will commence from Spring 2017. Public events will be held where members of the public can pick up leaflets and ask questions. Handouts were circulated to all councillors.  EDF is a worldwide company. The project is being run by EDF ER who became involved approximately 2 years ago. There is one offshore windfarm in Teeside and Blyth will be the next one.  Array 2 will be the focus of activity and surveys of the sea bed are taking place at the moment. The presentation included information about the capacity of the wind turbine and the location of the turbine – 6.5 km off the coast of Blyth. It is hoped that the turbine will be operational in October 2017 and 34,000 households will be supplied with green electricity. Blyth will save approximately 57,600 tonnes of CO <sup>2</sup> emissions each year and it will be the first time a “float and sink” gravity base foundation is used for offshore wind turbines.
<b>7</b>	<b>PROPOSED A1 NORTHUMBERLAND PROJECT</b>  The Chair noted the information received from Highways England which outlines various options for the A1. The consultation period will run from 14 November to 23 December 2016. A survey is available for members of the public to complete (copy circulated to all Councillors) by following this link <a href="http://www.highways.gov.uk/A1inNorthumberland">www.highways.gov.uk/A1inNorthumberland</a> or by emailing the project at <a href="mailto:A1inNorthumberland@highwaysengland.co.uk">A1inNorthumberland@highwaysengland.co.uk</a>  A series of exhibition events will also be held where the project team will be available to answer questions.

<b>8</b>	<p><b>NCC CORE STRATEGY</b></p> <p>The Chair commented that there are two major changes in the document:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One in North Morpeth where changes have contradicted the neighbourhood plan and they are re-consulting on this matter.</li> <li>• Government have expressed a desire for more garden villages. NCC have expressed an interest in having a garden village in Dissington and a new chapter has been added to the existing document.</li> </ul> <p>Blyth and Tyne Line - Councillor Reid commented that it could have a detrimental effect on Blyth unless they work out how to prevent the crossings being down for long periods of time.</p> <p>Comments can be submitted up until 23 December 2016 and there are some consultation days identified.</p>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>HERITAGE</b></p> <p>The Chair said that there are still some actions outstanding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A copy of the leaflet is to go on the notice board at the bus station but requires editing first.</li> <li>• Distribution of leaflets - The Customer Service Assistant confirmed that leaflets have been placed in the library and Commissioners Quay Hotel and will check they have adequate supplies. Supplies of the leaflets still need to be distributed to tourist information centres.</li> </ul> <p>Commemorative Plaques – information has been put on the website and advertised in NE24. Further discussion will take place January 2017.</p>
<b>10</b>	<p><b>ENFORCEMENT ACTION - 34-36 Carlton Street</b></p> <p>In December 2015 NCC wrote to say they were going to take enforcement action. This action was appealed and a hearing took place in June 2016. The appeal was dismissed and the enforcement action was upheld.</p>

	<p>This matter is now in the hands of the Enforcement Manager and the next step is non-compliance and prosecution. NCC will advise the Council of the outcome.</p>
<b>11</b>	<p><b>ENERGY CENTRAL</b></p> <p>The Chair commented that a briefing session took place at Cambois School to demonstrate the work that is taking place following demolition of the power station which will be marketed for sale to businesses within the energy, marine, oil and gas sectors. It is hoped that this will boost the jobs and economy of Blyth.</p>
<b>12</b>	<p><b>NCC TRAINING EVENTS</b></p> <p>The Chair attended a recent event with Councillor O Potts. One of the comments from NCC was that parish councils need to be clearer when making comments on planning applications.</p> <p>The Chair circulated information with regard to Tree Preservation Orders and there will be a presentation to follow.</p> <p>NALC leaflet – noted that a lot of councils object on things which are not planning matters.</p> <p>Planning Applications – the Chair asked the person who prepares the list to include more information in the types of applications when they are categorised.</p>
<b>13</b>	<p><b>PROPOSED BUDGET 2017-2018</b></p> <p>Committee noted the report prepared by the Town Clerk and discussed the budget proposals. Committee proposed that the reduction for Code 902 (Heritage Issues) is £2,000 which would give a budget of £8,000.</p>
<b>14</b>	<p><b>ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND URGENT BUSINESS</b></p> <p>None.</p>
<b>15</b>	<p><b>DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING</b></p> <p>The next meeting of the Planning and Development Committee will take place on Thursday 5 January 2017, 6.30 pm in the Council Chamber.</p>

## **MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

### **Councillors**

J R Potts                      (Chair)  
A Cartie                      (Vice –Chair)  
A Gibbs-Barton  
G T Knox  
K Nisbet  
R Parker  
O Potts  
J Reid  
A Turnbull

**BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**  
**PLANNING APPLICATIONS LISTS**  
**DECEMBER 2016**

ITEM	REFERENCE NO	PLANNING APPLICATION INFORMATION	COMMENTS
<b>1</b>	16/03678/CCD	Erection of 2.1m high palisade perimeter fencing - <i>St Wilfrids RC Vol Aided Primary School, Claremont Terrace, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 2LE</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>2</b>	16/03556/CLPROP	Certificate of lawfulness of proposed use for construction of outbuilding/shed in garden - <i>2 Estree Gardens, Sandringham Park, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 3RW</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>3</b>	16/04019/MISC	Installation of 1 fixed-line broadband apparatus - <i>PCP043, Plessey Road, S/O 3 Park Road, Blyth, NE24 3DH</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>4</b>	16/04024/MISC	Installation of 1 fixed-line broadband apparatus - <i>PCP049, Thorntree Wat, O/S 3 Thorntree Way, Blyth, NE24 4LS</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>5</b>	16/03986/FUL	Change of use of outbuilding to self-contained dwelling with alterations to fenestration - <i>Rear of 8 Horton Road, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 4HJ</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>6</b>	16/03930/FUL	Demolition of existing barn structure and erection of 21no. new dwellings with reconfiguration of vehicular and pedestrian	<b>No Comment</b>

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Chairs Initials

		access and laying out of associated car parking, boundary treatments and landscaping - <i>Land West of Bebside North Farm, Bebside Road, Blyth, NE24 4HL</i>	
<b>7</b>	16/04033/ADE	Advertisement Consent: Installation of 1no hoarding board - <i>Blyth Fire Station, Cowpen Road, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 5SU</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>8</b>	16/04051/FUL	Installation of external air conditioning plant for server room - <i>Richard Stannard House, 36 Bridge Street, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 2AG</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>9</b>	16/03937/VARYCO	Variation of condition 2 (approved plans) pursuant to planning permission 14/01636/FUL new plans and elevations - <i>South Newsham Recreation Ground, South Newsham Road, Blyth, Northumberland</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>10</b>	16/03838/FUL	Change of use of part of existing daycare facility into 2 ground floor flats - <i>The Old Chandlery, 30 Ridley Street, Blyth, NE24 3AG</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>11</b>	16/04080/FUL	Proposed office building including associated car park and fencing - <i>Malvins Close Primary Academy, Albion Way, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 5BL</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>12</b>	16/04079/FUL	Retrospective application: Construction of two double garages - <i>Brinkburn House, Front Street Bebside, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 4HW</i>	<b>No Comment</b>

<b>13</b>	16/03669/ADE	Advertisement Consent: 2 x Internally illuminated fascia signs (only the logo illuminates), 1 x Internally illuminated projector sign and 2 x Non-Illuminated wall mounted aluminium panel signs (as amended 14/11/16) - <i>2-6 Newcastle Road, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 4AL</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>14</b>	16/03544/FUL	Proposed side/ground floor garage, toilet, utility room and alterations. - <i>6 Albatross Way, South Beach, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 3QH</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>15</b>	16/03697/DISCON	Discharge of conditions 3 (materials) 4 (boundaries) 5 (bins/bikes) 6 & 7 (landscaping) 8 (gas measurement) 11 (highway works) 13 (construction report) on approved planning application 16/02460/FUL - <i>Land North of Windsor Drive, Windsor Drive, Blyth, Northumberland.</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>16</b>	16/04183/DISCON	Discharge of condition 14 (Open Space Management and Maintenance Scheme) relating to planning permission 15/01008/CCD (proposed residential development of 26no. affordable bungalows) – <i>Site of Former Morpeth Road Primary School, Disraeli Street, Blyth, Northumberland</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>17</b>	16/04102/FUL	Proposed construction of 14 affordable rent bungalows on a current derelict site – <i>Land East of Brockwell Court, Warwick Street, Newsham, Blyth, Northumberland</i>	<b>Opposed on Highways grounds due to traffic issues</b>
<b>18</b>	16/04172/FUL	Construction of a two storey side extension – <i>4 Whitdale Avenue, Cowpen, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 4ED</i>	<b>No Comment</b>



<b>19</b>	16/03901/FUL	Change of use from shop with 2 bed flat above to single 3 bed house – <i>119 Bowes Street, Blyth, NE24 1EF</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>20</b>	16/03932/FUL	Change of use of grass land adjacent to property to create additional offroad parking – <i>3 Curlew Way, South Beach, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 3SA</i>	<b>Supported on the condition that it's only used for residential parking</b>
<b>21</b>	16/03716/FUL	Change of use from Class A1 (Retail) to Class A5 (Hot Food Takeaway) and installation of extraction and ventilation equipment as supplemented by noise report received 28/10/16 – <i>40 Waterloo Road, Blyth, NE24 1DH</i>	<b>Should install bollards/move barrier to stop people parking on marketplace. Only give access to delivery vehicles</b>
<b>22</b>	16/3535/DISCON	Discharge of conditions 5 – 12 (Highways) 14 (Highways), 20 (Public Protection) and 21 (Public Protection) relating to planning permission 15/02968/FUL (Planning permission is sought for the construction of 38 residential units including 2, 3 and 4 bed dwelling houses, 2 bedroom bungalows and 2 bedroom apartments on the site of the former Venture Workshops on Plessey Road in Blyth – <i>Blyth Valley Venture Workshops, Plessey Road, Blyth, Northumberland, NE24 4BN</i>	<b>No Comment</b>
<b>23</b>	16/02981/FUL	Retrospective change of use of land to form part of residential curtilage and proposed erection of a two storey extension, ground floor bay window and canopy – <i>87 Shearwater Way, South Beach, NE24 3PX</i>	<b>No Comment</b>

