

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Committee held in the Hub, Mareham Road, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 6PH on Thursday, 5th September, 2024 at 10.30am.

PRESENT

Councillor Stephen Eyre (Chairman)

Councillors Richard Cunnington, Dick Edginton, David Hall, Neil Jones, Sam Kemp, Terry Knowles, Steve McMillan, Daniel McNally, Kate Marnoch, Terry Taylor and Ruchira Yarsley.

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Andrew Booth	- Development Management Lead Officer
Michelle Walker	- Deputy Development Manager
Martha Rees	- Legal Representative
Lynda Eastwood	- Democratic Services Officer

31. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Alex Hall.

32. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (IF ANY):

At this point in the Meeting, Members were invited to disclose any relevant interests. The following interests were disclosed:

- Councillor Dick Edginton asked it be noted that in relation to Item 6, he was Ward Member but would remain of an open mind.
- Councillors Dick Edginton, Stephen Eyre, Neil Jones and Daniel McNally asked it be noted that they were Members of the Lindsey Marsh Drainage Board.

Following which, the Chairman read out a declaration on behalf of all Members of the Committee with regards to Items 5 and 6 which were applications made on behalf of the Council as both applicant and landowner. He added that this would not affect how the Committee determined the applications and advised that all Members had been trained and were open minded to determining the applications.

33. MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1 August 2024 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

34. UPDATE FROM PLANNING POLICY COMMITTEE

Members were advised that there was no update for this item but were reminded that the next Planning Policy Committee would be taking place on Thursday 12 September 2024.

35. S/090/00929/24:

Application Type: Full Planning Permission

Proposal: Planning Permission - To use land for holiday caravan park

Location: KINGFISHER CARAVAN PARK, SEA LANE, INGOLDMELLS, SKEGNESS, PE25 1PG

Applicant: East Lindsey District Council

Members received an application for Full Planning Permission – to use land for holiday caravan park at Kingfisher Caravan Park, Sea Lane, Ingoldmells, Skegness, PE25 1PG.

The site owner and applicant of the site was East Lindsey District Council and therefore in the interest of transparency in the decision-making process, determination by committee process was required.

Members were referred to the additional information contained in the Supplementary Agenda.

Andrew Booth, Development Management Lead Officer, detailed site and surroundings information to Members at Paragraph 2, together with the description of the proposal at Paragraph 3, pages 9 to 10 of the report refer.

There were no speakers on this application.

The application was opened for debate and Members were invited to put their comments and questions forward. None were received.

Following which, the application was Proposed and Seconded for approval in line with officer recommendation.

Upon being put to the vote, the proposal for approval in line with officer recommendation, subject to conditions was agreed.

Vote: 12 In favour 0 Against 0 Abstention

RESOLVED:

That the application be approved subject to the following conditions:

36. S/153/00936/24:

Application Type: Full Planning Permission

Proposal: Planning Permission – Extensions and alterations to existing theatre
Location: THE EMBASSY THEATRE, GRAND PARADE, SKEGNESS, PE25 1UG
Applicant: East Lindsey District Council

Members received an application for Full Planning Permission – extensions and alterations to existing theatre at the Embassy Theatre, Grand Parade, Skegness, PE25 1YG.

The application was required to be determined at Planning Committee for reasons of openness and transparency in decision making because the applicant and site owner was East Lindsey District Council.

Andrew Booth, Development Management Lead Officer, detailed site and surroundings information to Members at Paragraph 2, together with the description of the proposal at Paragraph 3, page 19 of the report refers.

There were no speakers on this application.

Following which, the application was opened for debate and Members were invited to put their comments and questions forward.

- Members agreed that any development on the seafront would be welcomed and supported.

Following which, the application was Proposed and Seconded for approval in line with officer recommendation.

Upon being put to the vote, the proposal for approval in line with officer recommendation, subject to conditions was agreed.

Vote: 12 In favour 0 Against 0 Abstention

RESOLVED:

That the application be approved subject to the following conditions:

37. S/035/00332/24:

Application Type: Remove or Vary a condition

Proposal: Remove or Vary a condition – Section 73 application to vary conditions no. 2 (approved plans) and condition no. 8 (number of residential units/caravans) as previously imposed on reference S/035/00074/21 for change of use of land for the siting of modular homes for the over 55's) to allow a revised site layout.

Location: LAND OFF, GREENFIELD ROAD, CONINGSBY
Applicant: East Lindsey District Council

Members received an application to Remove or Vary a condition – Section 73 application to vary conditions no. 2 (approved plans) and condition no. 8 (number of residential units/caravans) as previously imposed on reference S/035/00074/21 for change of use of land for the siting of modular homes for the over 55's) to allow a revised site layout at land off Greenfield Road, Coningsby.

The application was subject to a request by Councillor Martin Foster for consideration by the Planning Committee on the basis of concerns regarding the proposed increase in the number of properties on the development and also the volume of traffic that would be exiting this estate onto Park Lane, Coningsby.

The main planning issues were considered to be:

- The Principle of Development
- Design and impact on amenity/character
- Technical and other considerations

Andrew Booth, Development Management Lead Officer, detailed site and surroundings information to Members at Paragraph 2, together with the description of the proposal at Paragraph 3, pages 27 to 29 of the report refer.

There were no speakers on this application.

Following which, the application was opened for debate and Members were invited to put their comments and questions forward.

- A Member raised a concern with regards to the 20-year lifespan of the units and queried whether this would have a negative impact on the elderly residents.

The Development Management Lead Officer explained that it was not a planning consideration and was more a matter associated around licensing requirements for the site, or the commercial arrangements between the potential purchaser of a unit and the site operator. Members were also advised that the grant of permission would allow the units to be replaced and updated as necessary.

Following which, the application was proposed for approval in line with officer recommendation.

- A Member welcomed the application and highlighted that there was a demand for smaller homes.

Following which, the application was seconded for approval in line with officer recommendation.

- In response to a Member's query, the Development Management Lead Officer confirmed that the development would fulfil the housing requirement.

Upon being put to the vote, the proposal for approval in line with officer recommendation, subject to conditions, was agreed.

Vote: 12 In favour 0 Against 0 Abstention

RESOLVED:

That the application be approved subject to the following conditions:

38. APPEALS DECIDED:

The Appeals Decided were noted.

39. DELEGATED DECISIONS:

The Delegated Decisions were noted.

40. DATE OF NEXT MEETING:

The date of the next meeting was noted as Thursday 3 October 2024.

The Meeting closed at 10.53am.