



BLYTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of the Blyth Town Council Planning & Development Sub Committee held on Thursday 23 September 2021 at 6.30pm in the Council Chamber, Arms Everytne House, Quay Road, Blyth, NE24 2AS

Present:

Councillors: J R Potts (Chair), A Cartie (Vice-Chair), G Davey, S Davey, C Jones, S Stanger, W Taylor

Also Present: Cllr A Watson

Officers:

M Wilkinson, Deputy Town Clerk

K Lawson, Customer Services & Admin Assistant

Members of the Public: 0

Invited Guest(s)

Minute No	
1	Apologies for Absence Councillor A Barrass J Hughes, Town Clerk M Hawthorne, Committee Clerk
2	Disclosure of Interests Grant of Dispensations None.
3	Minutes of the previous Planning & Development Sub Committee There were no previous minutes to consider.

<p>4</p>	<p>Planning Application 21/03224/FUL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Change of use of private dwelling into 5no. holiday lets and separate holiday home to rent and erection of 4no. holiday homes to rent with associated car parking. <p>The Chair introduced the application and discussed the various documents available, including existing/proposed plans.</p> <p>A lengthy discussion took place considering the sheer overdevelopment, which would be detrimental for the residents who reside there. Reference was made to the longevity of the sea wall and the possible HMO opportunity this development poses.</p> <p>The committee stressed that they have no objection to holiday lets within Blyth.</p> <p>The committee objected to the planning application and the comment was submitted to NCC on 24/09/2021.</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Planning Application List</p> <p>Please see attached planning list with comments – this has been forwarded to NCC.</p> <p>21/03366/VARYCO - Land South Of The Commissioners Quay Inn Quay Road Blyth Northumberland – No Objections</p> <p>21/02930/FUL - 48 Bromley Gardens South Beach Blyth NE24 3TS – No Objections</p> <p>21/03454/FUL - Vodafone Communications Mast 114 Waterloo Road Blyth NE24 1DE – No Objections, comment made on the planning portal regarding colour/appearance & future use of infrastructure.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>2022-23 LTP Programme Consultation</p> <p>The Chair explained that the LTP list comprises of any transport or highways requests. The Committee are to review the LTP list generally and to report to Customer Service & Admin Assistant to update appropriately.</p> <p>BTC must select 3 top priorities.</p> <p>Members discussed the LTP list and agreed the following:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cowpen Road – entrance to Greggs (Craigmill Park Road) – there is serious concern for parking on double yellow lines and lorries turning in this area, causing concern on an already very congested road. • HFY1G5W6 - request to extend Double yellow lines on junctions due to vehicles parking - which cause an obstruction to view oncoming traffic - safety issue Grantham Street, Dent Street, Nixon Street, Twizell Street onto Wensleydale Terrace Blyth NE24 3EB The full area needs to be addressed (Solingen Estate and surrounding) • South Newsham Road – general speeding problem, despite traffic calming measures including; traffic lights/roundabout. <p>The Customer Service & Admin Assistant will forward the above to NCC.</p>
7	<p>Information Report – Blue Plaques</p> <p>The Chair discussed the recent unveiling of the Blyth Battery plaque and the further blue plaques that are planned.</p> <p>It was suggested sending heritage leaflets to hotels/tourism offices and officers will investigate this in preparation to produce the updated leaflets.</p> <p>The Chair reiterated that nominations were still open for blue plaques for any relevant buildings/people.</p>
8	<p>North East Bus Consultation</p> <p>The Chair previously attended the North East Bus Consultation and discussed the key themes of the meeting which included both general and local issues such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced partnerships • Franchising for Mayoral Combined Authorities • Additional funding <p>The LTA is to publish the plan by 31st October.</p>

	<p>More local issues included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There has been a fall in bus use since Covid • Enhanced simple network – faster and reliable, with simple fares, integration, early morning and later evening services. • Clear information • Improved safety • Cleaner, greener, improved connectivity • First class customer service <p>It was noted that the public consultation remains open.</p>
9	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>There was no other business.</p>
10	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting</p> <p>The next meeting of the Planning & Development Sub-Committee is topic dependent.</p>

Members of the Planning & Development Sub-Committee

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