

MINUTE

‘A’ & ‘B’

Planning Committee

Council Chamber, Town Hall, Lerwick

Tuesday 20 September 2011 at 10.00am

Present:

F A Robertson	L F Baisley
J Budge	W H Manson
G Robinson	J G Simpson

Apologies:

I J Hawkins	C H J Miller
C L Smith	

In Attendance (Officers):

I McDiarmid, Head of Planning
J Holden, Service Manager - Development Management
C Gair, Senior Engineer – Traffic and Road Safety
F Bell, Solicitor
L Gair, Committee Officer

Chair

Mr F Robertson, Chair of the Planning Committee, presided.

Circular

The circular calling the meeting was held as read.

Declarations of Interest

Mrs Baisley declared a non-financial interest in the third application of item one as a Trustee of the Shetland Charitable Trust but advised that the interest was not significant enough to prevent her from taking part and voting.

Mr Budge declared a non-financial interest for the same reason as stated by Mrs Baisley.

Mr Manson declared a non-pecuniary interest in the third application of item one. He advised that he would leave the Chamber during consideration of the third application.

Mr Robinson declared a non-financial interest in the third application and advised that he would vacate the Chamber.

Mr Simpson declared an interest in the third application however he advised that he would take part in the decision.

Mr Robertson declared a non-financial interest, as a Trustee of Shetland Charitable Trust, in the Viking Energy application, however he would take part in the debate and the decision.

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Minutes

The Committee confirmed the minutes of the meeting held on 30 August 2011.

The Service Manager - Development Management advised that in the last three weeks the Planning Service had issued 17 determinations under delegated powers. He advised that these figures could now be obtained through the new website.

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Applications for Planning Permission for Local Development where determination cannot be taken by the Appointed Person under Approved Scheme of Delegation:

The Committee considered a report by the Service Manager - Development Management (RECORD Appendix 1).

2011/110/PCD - Create a gas bottle filling and storage plant, with portacabin office and store, at the site of a former quarry; Red Pit Quarry, Northmavine by Shetland Gas Supplies.

The Service Manager - Development Management introduced the application and advised that it had been brought before Members because the land was in Council ownership. He advised that the necessary assessments had been carried out and approval of the application was recommended, with condition.

The application had been assessed and publicity and advertising taken place. This was a departure from the Local Development Plan Policy as there was no alternative site available at this time.

Mr Simpson moved that the Committee approve the recommendations contained in the report. In seconding, Mr Manson sought assurance that earlier decisions regarding the reinstatement of the quarry, by the landowner, would not be affected by this decision.

The Service Manager - Development Management advised that whatever permissions were currently in place this decision would not take away from that as each could be interpreted in its own right.

2011/150/VCON - Vary condition 9 of planning permission 2010/256/PCD relating to car parking and temporary accommodation, Sellaness Industrial Estate, Graven, Mossbank by Maltus (UK) Ltd.

The Service Manager - Development Management introduced the application and advised that this was to vary the planning application for the temporary accommodation block's overspill car parking. He explained that the actual development was of a phased nature and he recommended this variation with condition that the overspill car park would only be required when the accommodation was up to full capacity. The Service Manager - Development Management said that there was adequate car parking provision in the meantime.

Mr Manson moved that the Committee approve the variation to this application, with condition, mindful that the overspill car parking must be provided before the accommodation block was fully occupied. Mrs Baisley seconded.

(Mr Manson and Mr Robinson left the meeting)

2011/219/PPF - Erect temporary meteorological mast and associated bird diverters, Land at Scar Quilse, Voe by The Viking Energy Partnership.

The Service Manager - Development Management introduced the report and advised that all assessments had been carried out and the application was recommended for approval, with conditions identical to those applied to other developments in this area.

Mrs Baisley moved that the Committee approve the application, seconded by Mr Budge.

The meeting concluded at 10.12am.

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Chair