

# MACCLESFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at **9.30am** at **Macclesfield Town Hall**.

In attendance: Cllr Gareth Jones  
Cllr Beverley Dooley  
Cllr Alift Harewood

Also present was the Town Clerk.

### **1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Philip Bolton  
Cllr Liz Durham

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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The Chairman will adjourn the meeting to invite questions and/or comments from members of the public.

Following this, the Chairman will reconvene the Planning Committee Meeting.

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### **3. MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes are accepted as a true record of the meeting.

### **4. RESPONSES TO APPLICATIONS FOR 14/10/16 CANCELLED MEETING**

16/4884M Consideration and conditioning should be given to the hours of operation of the site to take in to account its location within urban development. Full consideration should be given to the submitted neighbour comments.

16/4840M The lack of available parking (on street and off street) was raised and consideration should be given to this. The comments of neighbours should be fully considered and addressed where possible. The density of occupancy was also raised, such that if two roomed apartments are proposed, this might be considered as too dense.

16/4454M This is retrospective as the flag poles are in place without prior consultation. Concerns relating to noise pollution during windy conditions due to high numbers and large scale of the flags. Concerns the cause a distraction to highway users (motor and pedal vehicles). It is also highlighted that they are visible from numerous locations around the town at distance and concern has been raised as to the visually intrusive nature of so many flag poles/flags.

These responses were noted.

## **5. CIVIC SOCIETY**

The Town Clerk informed the meeting that he had given a presentation to the Civic Society regarding Macclesfield Town Council, its first year and future strategy. The presentation was well received and sparked some helpful debate.

The information was noted by the committee.

## **6. BARRACKS MILL APPEAL**

Members expressed their support for the decision of Cheshire East's Strategic Planning Board to decline the planning application for Barrack's Mill. Members discussed the opportunity to support Cheshire East should an appeal be submitted by the applicant.

### **RESOLVED:**

- i. That this committee recommends to Full Council that A budget of £10,000 is vired from the 2016/17 Neighbourhood Development Plan budget heading to support the defence of an appeal, should one be submitted, relating to planning application 15/5676M
- ii. That partnership working with Cheshire East Council and subsequent negotiations is delegated to the Chair of the Planning Committee
- iii. That, should it be deemed necessary and agreed by both the Chair of the Planning Committee and the Chair of the Finance Committee, an additional £5,000 from the Neighbourhood Development Plan budget heading is made available to support the defence of an appeal, with the circumstances for the decision to be reported to Full Council.

## 7. OBSERVATIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS

*The planning authority has been informed of the date of this meeting and any delays in responses as they relate to all applications with response closing dates before the date of this meeting.*

**Application No: 16/4311M**

No objection, but request that the submitted comments by neighbours and property owners are taken in to consideration.

**Application No: 16/4751M**

No objection

**Application No: 16/4827M**

No objection

**Application No: 16/4866M**

No objection

**Application No: 16/4915M**

No objection

**Application No: 16/4929M**

Cllr Dooley wished for her support for the submitted neighbour comments to be noted. Planning Permission should have been sought prior to commencing works.

**Application No: 16/4984M**

No objection

**Application No: 16/4994M**

No objections

**Application No: 16/5036M**

No objections

**Application No: 16/5044M**

No objections

**Application No: 16/5053M**

No objections

**Application No: 16/5150T**

No objections

**Application No: 16/5162M**

No objections

**Application No: 16/5163M**

No objections

**Application No: 16/5199M**

No objections

**Application No: 16/5214M**

No objections

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

It was requested that the Town Clerk makes representation to Cheshire East Council to seek their position relating to the former Gradus Mill at Park Green, with a view to establishing any enforcement action that might be taken as well as considering the opportunity to screen the site.

**9. MEMBER ITEMS**

**10. DATE/TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

**10.1 RESOLVED:** That circulated meeting schedule is confirmed.

The next Planning Committee meeting will take place on **25<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 9.30am at Macclesfield Town Hall**

The meeting closed at 10.24am

Chair Cllr Gareth Jones

Clerk Pete Turner

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