



MINUTES

Planning Committee

Date:	Wednesday, 11 September 2019
Venue:	Town Hall, St Annes.
Committee Members Present:	Councillor Trevor Fiddler (Chairman) Councillor Richard Redcliffe (Vice -Chairman) Councillors Chris Dixon, Kiran Mulholland, Jayne Nixon, Linda Nulty, Liz Oades, Michael Sayward, Heather Speak, Ray Thomas, Stan Trudgill.
Officers Present:	Julie Glaister, Eddie Graves, Stephanie Shone, Lyndsey Lacey-Simone
Members of the Public:	None.

1. Declarations of Interest

Members were reminded that any disclosable pecuniary interests should be declared as required by the Localism Act 2011 and any personal or prejudicial interests should be declared as required by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members.

There were no declarations of Interest.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 4 September 2019 as a correct record for signature by the Chairman.

3. Substitute Members

There were no substitutions.

Decision Items

4. Fylde Healthy Living Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Further to the report to committee in February 2019, Stephanie Shone, Planning Policy Officer, sought the committee's approval to adopt The Fylde Healthy Living Supplementary Planning Document (SPD).

An overview /benefits of the SPD were set out in the report. Specific reference was also given in the report to the potential of Whyndyke Garden Village Healthy New Town in providing an exemplar development in terms of health and wellbeing provision.

A copy of the SPD document was included as an appendix to the report. In addition, a summary of the results of the Draft SPD consultation together with a copy of the Screening Opinion carried out on the Draft Healthy Living SPD were also included as appendices.

During the course of the presentation, it was suggested that Table 1: Hot Food Takeaways in Fylde by area (page 33 of the report) and Appendix C3: The Location of Hot Food Takeaways in Fylde (pages 79-98 of the report) be removed from the Fylde Healthy Living SPD (Appendix 1).

Following on from the above, the Chairman then went on to invite questions from the committee. Various questions were raised including; the location /number of hot food take-aways/restaurant takeaways and the associated links with childhood obesity; the merits of including the Lancashire County Council Public Health Hot Food Takeaway Advisory Note; the importance attached to air quality and matters relating to allotments and community growing schemes. The questions were addressed in turn by Stephanie Shone and Julie Glaister as appropriate.

Members were advised that once adopted, the Healthy Living SPD will be afforded significant weight as a material consideration in determining planning applications. Following consideration of this matter, it was RESOLVED:

1. That the results of the Screening Opinion conducted on the Draft Fylde Healthy Living SPD are noted, as set out in Appendix 3.
2. That the responses of the Draft Fylde Healthy Living SPD consultation are noted, as set out in the Summary of Representations (Appendix 2).
3. That Table 1: Hot Food Takeaways in Fylde by area (page 33) and Appendix C3: The Location of Hot Food Takeaways in Fylde (pages 79-98) are removed from the Fylde Healthy Living SPD (Appendix 1).
4. The Fylde Healthy Living Supplementary Planning Document (Appendix 1) is adopted for development management purposes.
5. Fylde Biodiversity Supplementary Planning Document (SPD)

Further to the report to committee in February 2019, Julie Glaister, Planning Policy Manager was invited to present the report. In doing so, she sought the committee's approval to adopt the Fylde Biodiversity Supplementary Planning Document. Details with regard to this matter were set out in the report.

A copy of the Fylde Biodiversity SPD document was included as an appendix to the report. In addition, a summary of the representations received together with a copy of the Screening Opinion were also included as appendices to the report.

Following the presentation, members sought clarification on a number of areas. These included: matters associated with 'net gain' relating to planning applications; SSSI locations not listed/ecological networks together with matters associated with the evolving principle of 'net gain' as set out in the Planning Practice Guidance. There were addressed in turn by Julie Glaister.

Members were advised that once adopted, the Biodiversity SPD will be afforded significant weight as a material consideration in determining planning applications.

Following consideration of this matter, it was RESOLVED:

1. That the results of the Screening Opinion conducted on the Draft Fylde Biodiversity SPD are noted as set out in Appendix 3.
2. That the responses of the Draft Fylde Biodiversity SPD consultation are noted as set out in the Summary of Representations (Appendix 2)
3. The Fylde Biodiversity Supplementary Planning Document (Appendix 1) is adopted for development management purposes.
6. Draft Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document

The Chairman invited Eddie Graves, Principal Planning Policy Officer to present the report. In doing so, Mr Graves sought the committee's approval of the Draft Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document prior to going out to public consultation. Details with regard to this matter were set out in the report.

It was further reported that once approved, the draft SPD would be subject to sustainability appraisal screening, then published for consultation. A final version would be presented to members prior to adoption.

At the conclusion of the presentation, the chairman invited questions. Members sought additional information on matters pertaining to: the management arrangements of allocations; scope and definition of affordable housing; whether affordable homes should be permitted to be extended once bought; range of different mix/tenures available; availability of 3 bed homes; variance within the borough for off-site provision/contributions for affordable housing with particular reference to Lytham/how assessments are made; abuse of qualifications for affordable housing/ letting policy and matters relating to the Statement of Consultation. These were addressed in turn by Eddie Graves.

It was RESOLVED: That the draft Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Document as set out in appendix 1 of the report be approved for public consultation purposes.

7. Substitutes at Planning Committee

Further to the request of the committee on 12 June, members were invited to review the effectiveness of the Planning Committee substitute arrangements. Details with regard to this matter including an extract of the relevant Standing Order were set out in the report.

It was RESOLVED: to recommend to the Audit and Standard Committee that Section 24(b) of Standing Order 24 of the Rules of Procedure be deleted which would remove the restriction on the number of meetings a substitute can attend.

Information Items

8. Partial Revision – Fylde Local Plan to 2032

The information report provided the committee with an update on the partial revision of the Fylde Local Plan to 2032. The report highlighted that it was intended to proceed with the drafting of the Partial Revision document having regard to the comments received from the scoping consultation.

9. Five Year Housing Land Supply – Draft Annual Position Statement

The information report provided the committee with an update on the Council's position in relation to its 5- year housing supply and relevance of the associated Annual Position Statement.

Further clarification was sought on the Council's position with regard to the five year housing supply. This was addressed by Eddie Graves.

10. General Fund Revenue Budget Monitoring Report 2019/20 - Position as at 31st July 2019

The information report provided an update on the General Fund Revenue Budget of the Council as at 31st July 2019 with specific reference to those areas under the remit of the Committee.

11. Capital Programme Monitoring Report 2019/20 – Position as at 31st July 2019

The information report provided the committee with an update on the Council's approved Capital Programme as at 31st July 19 with specific reference to those schemes under the remit of the committee.

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