

**BRIGG TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Meeting – Tuesday 6th April 2004
Chairman – Councillor A.L. Markham**

Present: Councillors Councillor M.N. Birkitt, Mrs. J.A. Brock, T.D. Glossop (arrived later) A.L. Markham, J.E.G. Kidd, and Mrs. P.J. Smith.

PE061 NOTICE CONVENING THE MEETING

Taken as read and approved.

PE062 APOLOGIES RECEIVED AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE.

Councillor Mrs. A. Eardley has only just returned from Newark.
Councillor T.D. Glossop is at work, but may arrive later.
Councillor T. Morris is at work.

PE063 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

PE064 RECEIVE ANY GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Draft Supplementary Planning Guidance 10 – Provision of Open Space in New Housing Developments

Disc received detailing the recommended recreational open space within new housing developments.

Noted as received.

- b) North Lincolnshire Council - Walking the Way to Health Partnership

Notification of this new partnership received, including advice that suitable routes will be waymarked with the 'walking the way to health' logo.

Noted as received.

- c) 16, Central Square, Brigg.

Verbal request received for members to take a look at the property at 16, Central Square, where the occupier is using his garden to work on stock cars. Neighbouring residents are not very happy at this practice and have contacted North Lincolnshire Council only to be advised that the occupier has been given permission to pursue his 'hobby'. There is currently a JCB parked in the garden, which they are advised he also has permission for, because he is levelling much of the garden with the intention of creating hard standing areas for the cars.

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The Town Council is asked to consider whether this is appropriate use for a garden in a residential neighbourhood. The work is often noisy, it is extremely unsightly, and they do not feel this type of work should be undertaken in the garden of a domestic property.

Councillor Mrs P.J. Smith supported the comments received, advising that she had also been approached regarding this particular property, and had subsequently undertaken a site visit. Other members also confirmed that they were already aware of the site and the problem raised this evening.

Councillor Mrs. Smith proposed that representation should be made to North Lincolnshire Council, in support of the residents of Central Square, drawing attention to the fact that pursuance of this 'hobby' is intrusive to the other residents, and not 'in keeping' with work which would normally be allowed within a residential area. Seconded by Councillor A.L. Markham

Votes: In favour 4 Abstentions:1 **Councillor T.D. Glossop arrived**

PE065 UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES FROM THE CLERK

Maintenance of Ditches (Minute PE058)

The Neighbourhood Services Manager is currently on annual leave, the clerk will chase a response to this item upon her return

Telecommunications Pole – Glanford Road (Minute PE 058)

Although a formal reply has not been received, Mr. Gunnee has advised that work is already underway to have the pole re-located.

Newlands Estate (Minute PE047)

Reply received from North Lincolnshire Council, as follows:

Unauthorised driveways – letters will be written to the occupiers of offending properties advising them that it is illegal to cross a highway verge without a properly constructed access, and offering a quotation to construct the required vehicular crossing.

Parking On Verges – this matter will be brought to the attention of the local police, and a further period of enforcement requested.

Drainage, junction of Birch Avenue and Elm Way – the location will be inspected again during heavy rainfall to establish whether any remedial action is required.

PE066 CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

Application Number 2004/0363 (re-application following a previous refusal)
Outline Planning Permission to erect a dwelling. 69, Churchill Avenue, Brigg

The clerk reminded members that they had expressed concern regarding the previous application received for this site, and the close proximity of the proposed dwelling to the existing dwelling, but at that time they were unaware of the detailed guidance regard proximity of one dwelling to another.

It is now clear, from North Lincolnshire Council's reasons for refusal of the previous application, that the close proximity of the proposed new dwelling to the existing dwelling on Churchill Avenue, is sufficient grounds for refusal.

Councillor Mrs. P.J. Smith proposed that, in the light of the regulations quoted by North Lincolnshire Council in response to the previous application, the Town Council should oppose this new application, for those same reasons.
Seconded: Councillor J.E. G Kidd All agreed.

Application Number 2004/0340

Planning Permission to upgrade pool hall ventilation.
Ancholme Leisure Centre.

NO OBJECTIONS

Application Number 2004/0045

Planning Permission to install a disabled access ramp and automatic doors to front elevation. Brigg Delivery Office, 26, Bigby Street, Brigg.

Compromise noted:

NO OBJECTIONS

Application Number 2004/0365

Planning Permission to create a vehicular access and rebuild perimeter wall to accommodate gates. 12, Wrawby Road, Brigg.

NO OBJECTIONS

Application Number 2004/0411

Planning Permission to erect a conservatory.
West Villa, Bridge Street, Brigg.

NO OBJECTIONS

Application Number 2004/0454

Planning Permission to retain change of use from shop back to residential; (one room only). 11, Grammar School, Road, Brigg.

NO OBJECTIONS

Previous Applications

Application Number 2004/0140

approved

Application Number 2004/0235

approved

Application Number 2003/0786

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*Application Number 2003/1007) REFUSED – Go Karting venue on Mill Lane.
Application Number 2003/1006) approved – offices at above premises
Application Number 2003/1003) approved

*Members expressed surprise at this refusal, considering that the proposal is totally in keeping with efforts made in recent years to promote Brigg as a Leisure Market Town, and the subsequent success in gaining Beacon Town Status for Sport, Leisure and the Arts. A corporate venue of this nature would obviously attract business people to Brigg, which could prove beneficial to the Town and surrounding area.

It was noted that the application was refused on the grounds that the traffic generated by users of the proposed Go-Kart venue would disturb the peace and quiet for residents of Mill Lane.

Councillor T.D. Glossop advised that he has received a copy of a letter written by the applicant, advising that the refusal of permission to develop the Go Kart Centre will leave him with no option but to revert back to the previous use for which the land is still licensed. This could result in haulage vehicles once again travelling up and down Mill Lane (at all hours of both day and night), which is far less preferable than domestic vehicles between 10am – 10pm.

The clerk advised that, in the light of this information, she had spoken to Councillor N. Sherwood to try and establish whether there were any other causes for concern, but he was unaware that the application had been refused. This would seem to indicate that the application had been determined by officers, using delegated powers.

Councillor A.L. Markham proposed that the Town Council should write to North Lincolnshire Council, expressing members' concern at this decision, and requesting further clarification regarding the decision and how it was reached. Seconded by Councillor T.D. Glossop. All agreed.

National Westminster Bank PLC

Councillor M.N. Birkitt took the opportunity to draw members' attention to the fact that internally illuminated signage, which was refused Planning Permission by North Lincolnshire Council, has still not been removed.

The clerk will contact North Lincolnshire Council

PE067 RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ANY NOTIFICATIONS OF LICENCE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED.

Application for New Justices Licence – Nelthorpe Arms, Bridge Street, Brigg.

NO OBJECTIONS

PE068 THE GRIMSBY ANCHOLME CATCHMENT ABSTRACT
MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The current strategy is under review. A leaflet has been issued outlining how it is intended to manage the water resources in the above-mentioned catchment area. Comments are invited by 16th April 2004. **No comment.**

PE069 HUMBER ESTUARY EUROPEAN MARINE SITE MANAGEMENT
SCHEME PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Consultation Draft received in the form of a C.D. Comments are invited by 20th May 2004. The information is also available on the web site www.humberems.co.uk. **No comment.**

PE070 ROLLING OUT BROADBAND TO RURAL COMMUNITIES

Consider whether any further action is required by the Town Council.
Booklet available for members' reference.

It was noted that all of Brigg is able to access Broadband, therefore no further action is required.

PE071 FINALISE THE FORMAT AND DETAILS FOR THE FORTHCOMING
PRESENTATION OF THE HEDGEROW PROJECT AT THE NORTH
LINCS. LIAISON MEETING, AND CONSIDER ANY ASSOCIATED
COSTS

The Chairman and the clerk have continued to work with Mark Tyszka, to prepare the project for presentation.

It is suggested that the Chairman should introduce Mark at the meeting.

Mark will then give the full presentation, broken down into three specific areas:-
The Importance of Hedgerows
Why and How Brigg approached its project
How other communities could undertake a similar Project.

The presentation will include a shortened version of the Vale of Ancholme Technology College PowerPoint Presentation – the full version is 15 minutes long.

The booklets from Brigg Preparatory School will also be on display (but with the children's photographs blanked out, at the request of the school).

Enquiries have been made via C.P.R.E. in an effort to obtain sufficient Research Packs to handout on the evening and there will also be a printed handout (prepared by Mark), for everyone to take away.

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After the presentation and questions from the floor, the Town Mayor will conclude the presentation and ask Councillor Don Stewart to formally receive the data collected on hedgerows in Brigg, at the same time requesting that North Lincolnshire Council should consider the importance of promoting this project through the County:-

- a) with a view to establishing a central database which can then be used to ensure that significant hedgerows are properly considered within the planning process etc.

and

- b) through the introduction of a policy governing methods and timing of hedgerow maintenance.

Councillor Mrs. P.J. Smith reported that a hedgerow has been ‘butchered’ in Brigg, but fortunately not completely uprooted.

Costs are currently NIL (other than photocopying), although it is not yet known whether C.P.R.E. will charge for the hedgerow packs.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs P.J. Smith
Seconded Councillor A.L. Markham

All agreed.

There were no other comments. The meeting closed at 7.50pm

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Chairman, Planning and Environment Committee
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Chairman, Full Council
Monday 26th April 2004