

THE ROYAL BURGH OF ST ANDREWS COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Planning Committee Meeting Minutes – 30th July 2012

- 1. Attendees
 - a. Howard Greenwell
 - b. Judith Harding
 - c. Henry Paul
 - d. Kyffin Roberts
 - e. Penny Uprichard
- 2. Apologies
 - a. Izzy Corbin
 - b. Ian Goudie
 - c. Andy Primmer
- 3. Approval of the Agenda
 - a. Agreed with the addition of an update on Feddinch.
- 4. Approval of Minutes from 9th July 2012
 - a. Agreed, with no changes.
- 5. Action Item Review
 - a. ACTION HG: To get a map of the Green Belt as proposed by the Reporter for circulation to the members.

HG noted that he has been unable to find any draft map of the Greenbelt. It was noted that we will have to wait until Fife Council publish the final plan for approval by ministers.

b. ACTION HG: To draft a fuller objection letter for approval on 30th July, that will include but not be limited to Issues raised by lack of a Masterplan, recent refusal of planning application, protection of green space, Westburn Lane refusal issues, lack of need for student accommodation, no obvious support from the University, etc.

Will be discussed under Item 6 of the Agenda.

c. ACTION HG: On 12/02777, to submit an objection based on fact that the property is within a St. Andrews Conservation Area

HG unable to comment on this application as the application is a Certificate of Lawfulness, against which we are not allowed to comment.



- 6. Recent Applications As detailed in the Planning Applications –9th to 30th July.
 - a. 12/02960, 12/02720 and 12/02721 4A Bell Street.

ACTION HG: To object to the installation of the illuminated signs and the roller shutter door as not in keeping with the guidelines for St. Andrews.

- b. 12/02872 Westburn Lane.
 - ACTION PU: To follow up with Fife Council regarding the proposed extension.
- c. 12/02809 and 12/02810 44 South Street.
 - The group reviewed HG's draft objection, and agreed to some re-wording and some additional reasons for complaint.
 - ACTION HG: To update the 44 South Street objection letter discussed, and submit to Fife Council.
- d. 12/02707 and 12/02714 31 North Street.

ACTION KR: To request clarification on the material used for the windows on 31 North Street, and to object to the rooflight as not in keeping with the building.

7. Other Ongoing Items

a. Feddinch.

PU noted that she had been continuing to work with David Middleton regarding all of the paperwork and issues surrounding the appeal by the developers. Both PU and DM are trying to push for a hearing to take place, and will continue to object to the approval of the appeal and the legality of the development.

- b. Wonder Years Nursery.
 - Group reviewed the draft objection from HG. Suggested the removal of the issues regarding the East Sands, and also that our letter should support the letter from the Preservation Trust.

 ACTION HG: To update the Wonder Years Nursery Objection Letter and submit it to Fife Council.
- c. Complaint regarding 12/01706.
 - HG informed the group that Knightsbridge cut down a tree in the conservation area in order to put up their advertising signs.
 - ACTION HG: To send a letter of Complaint to Lyle Smith and Fife Council regarding the illegal felling of a tree in the conservation area.
- d. Argyll Lodge to be submitted to the Ombudsman.
 - PU noted that there has been little progress, but that she is continuing to press this issue. There is a question as to whether the Community Council or a Private individual can go to the Ombudsman. This needs to be clarified.



- 8. Planning for next Meeting –13th August 2012 a. Noted that all future meetings of the Planning Committee will now be held in Room 5 of the COSMOS centre starting at 7pm.
- 9. A.O.C.B.
 - a. None.