

MINUTES OF PLANNING AND FINANCE/AUDIT COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 18th FEBRUARY 2020 AT 7.30PM AT MILLFIELDS, MILL WAY NEEDINGWORTH.

PRESENT:

Cllr S Mortlock (Chairman)
Cllr R Fountain
Cllr E MacPherson
Cllr C Pearce
Cllr M Williamson

Miss J Bowd (Parish Clerk)
No members of public

67. To Receive Apologies for Absence.

Cllr G Norman-personal
Cllr S Martin – personal
Cllr A Holloway-personal

68. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21st January 2020

Resolved: That the minutes be signed as a true and correct record (Prop Cllr MacPherson, 2nd Cllr Pearce) 4 in favour 1abstention.

69. To note declarations of interest relating to items on the agenda.

None

70. Planning.

70.1 To consider the following application received:

(i) Application ref: 20/00003/ADV | 2 no. Fascia Sign, Entrance panel - road sign, Totem Sign, Window Graphics | W M Morrison Supermarket Needingworth Road St Ives PE27 4NB

Members considered the location, size and number of signs when debating the application.

It was felt that signs 5 and 9 as per the plan submitted breached HDC policy on advertising and design. It was also considered that the siting of sign 5 would be confusing at the entrance to the Marsh Harrier.

Consensus was that there is too much signage and those to be placed onto the building can easily be seen from the road therefore the totem on Harrison way is not required (sign 9)

Resolved: That the application be refused as sign 9 breaches LP24 Advertising and policy 7- requiring good design. (HDC Local plan to 2036)

1. It will create a distraction to traffic
2. Clutters an already busy junction.
3. It will add to the light pollution at this location as it will be internally lit
4. It will create both a highway safety issue and a public safety concern where the crossing is located.
5. Scale:4m high and 1.62m wide

Sign 5 is also considered to breach the policies as above plus it is located just at the entrance to the Marsh Harrier car park. This will mislead users of the facility as to the parking which is to be in the Morrisons car park.

(Prop Cllr Mortlock 2nd Cllr MacPherson) All in favour.

71. Items to report

- Cllr MacPherson advised that the Falklands Walk has been closed for nearly 1 month and whilst there has been no more reports of dogs becoming sick it should remain closed until the end of February. Reports on social media have stopped but it does appear to have been a nationwide issue.
- Cllr Williamson reported that he has advised residents who have been enquiring about the proposed development next to "Sunrhyll" that no appeal has been received.

- Cllr Williamson also attended a photo shoot at the rural exemption site on Bluntisham Road on behalf of the Parish Council. The developers report that the site is progressing well.
- Cllr Williamson also reported that there are 2 fallen trees on the footpath between Holywell and St Ives following the storms at the weekend.
- The Clerk reported 2 more fallen trees. One in St Johns Churchyard and the second on Overcote Playing field. Both are no risk to the public but a local tree surgeon has been contacted and asked to remove them
- The Clerk also reported the St Ives public spaces protection order.
- Cllr Pearce reported that a light requires replacement over the rear door to Millfields pavilion.

Being no further business the meeting closed at 7.50 pm

Chairman

Date