

Lanchester Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning Committee held in the Conference Room in Park House, Lanchester on Wednesday 28 November 2012 at 8.00pm

Present Mr M Wardle (Chair)

Mr K Harrison, Mr C Burton, Mr B Gray, Mr K Leary
Mr S Walker, Mr B Glass, Mr A Nairn,
Mr M Clarke, Mr A Myers, Mrs M Gray

Mr O Johnson - observer

Apologies Apologies for absence were received as follows:
Mrs A Cook - sick
Mr P Jackson - other commitments
The above apologies were received and accepted

293/12 Declarations of Interest

Colin Burton declared an interest in item 4 (v)
Malcolm Clarke declared an interest in item 4 (vi)

294/12 Public Participation

There were no press or public present.

295/12 Planning Applications

Members considered the following planning applications:

- (i) **Listed building consent to replace five windows within the rear elevation at 7 Hollinside Terrace, Hollinside 1/2012/0536**

Resolved - that Members raise no objection to the application.

- (ii) **Reduce and reshape two maple trees, felling of one horse chestnut tree (section 211 notice) at 4 Lee Hill Court, Lanchester 1/2012/0580**

Resolved - that Members raise no objection to the application but request that the felled tree is replaced with a suitable alternative

- (iii) **Pruning of two sycamore trees (section 211 notice) at 8 Lee Hill Court, Lanchester 1/2012/0579**

Resolved - that Members raise no objection to the application.

- (iv) **Proposed alterations to front of property at 21a Front Street, Lanchester 1/2012/0525**

Members raised the following objections to the application:

(i) the proposed columns and timber boarding both in style and materials are out of keeping with the surroundings being in a conservation and article iv area.

(ii) the proposed step could be a hazard and encroaches on the public highway

(iii) the additional lights above the sign would be unwelcome. In addition it appears that the lights have already been installed and are operating

- (v) **Replacement thirteen windows and one door at Lanchester Methodist Church, Front Street, Lanchester 1/2012/0591**

Resolved - that Members raise no objection to the application.

- (vi) **Erection of single storey rear extension at 11 Hurbuck Cottages 1/2012/0586**

Resolved - that Members raise no objection to the application.

- (vii) **Construction of bay window at front of site dwelling at 6 Humberhill Drive, Lanchester 1/2012/0566**

Members expressed concern that the proposals created a break in the current building line. In addition there was concern that this development may cause a privacy issue to neighbours.

296/12 Decisions of the Planning Authority

The following planning applications had been approved by Durham County Council:

- Creation of access off Langley Lane into agricultural field (resubmission) on land to the South West of Fair View House, Fair View, Burnhope
- Crown lifting of three Chestnut trees (TPO 9) at Alderdene House, Cadger Bank, Lanchester

- Reduce height by 20% and pruning of one sycamore and one lime tree (section 211 notice) at Hinderwell, Durham Road, Lanchester
- Felling of three pine and one spruce tree, various removal of branches and deadwood and crowning of ten pine trees (TPO 5) at 6 The Paddock, Lanchester
- Erection of two storey side and single storey rear extensions at 1 Watling Way, Lanchester
- Erection of agricultural storage building (retrospective) and erection of rain water storage at Colepike Home Farm, Lanchester
- Erection of a grain dryer cover and siting of a shipping container on land to the North East of Dunley Ford House, Newbiggen Lane, Lanchester
- Removal of two lower branches and deadwood of one ash tree protected by a tree preservation order (TPO 164) at 7 Front Street, Lanchester
- Increase roof height by 2 metres to incorporate new first floor. Installation of velux windows and demolition and rebuilding of garage at Tall Trees, Cadger Bank, Lanchester

Business concluded at 8.50pm