

Planning Committee
8 May 2014

IRVINE, 8 May 2014 - At a Special Meeting of the Planning Committee of North Ayrshire Council at 11.45 a.m.

Present

John Ferguson, Robert Barr, John Bell, John Bruce, Joe Cullinane, Ronnie McNicol, Tom Marshall and Robert Steel.

In Attendance

J. Miller, Senior Manager (Planning, Transportation and Regeneration) (Development and Environment); and A. Craig, Team Manager (Litigation) and M. Anderson, Committee Services Officer (Chief Executive's Service).

Chair

Councillor Brown in the Chair.

Apologies for Absence

Matthew Brown.

1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest by Members in terms of Standing Order 16 and Section 5 of the Code of Conduct for Councillors.

2. Call In Request: 14/00225/PP: 5 Burns Street, Irvine

Submitted report by the Chief Executive on a call in request, in accordance with the approved call in procedure, in relation to an application for planning permission which would otherwise be determined by Officers under delegated powers.

The request, submitted in accordance with the approved call in procedure, has been made by Councillors Clarkson, Easdale and Oldfather, that the application for planning permission should be determined by the Planning Committee and not by Officers under delegated powers. The stated reason for the call in request was as follows:-

"on the grounds that it is within a Conservation Area, and on a Class A road."

Councillor Clarkson addressed the Committee in support of the call in request. Councillor Clarkson expressed the view that consistency should be exercised in terms of the determination of planning applications within conservation areas, that road safety concerns should be properly taken into account, and that, in the interests of openness and transparency, the application should be determined by the Planning Committee.

Councillor Bruce, seconded by Councillor McNicol, moved that agree not to call in

the application and that instead it be determined by officers under delegated powers.

As an amendment, Councillor Cullinane, seconded by Councillor Bell, moved, in terms of Section 43A(6) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 and in accordance with the approved call in procedure, that the Committee agree, in the interests of transparency and openness, that the application be called in and determined by the Planning Committee and not by officers under delegated powers.

On a division, there voted for the amendment 2 and for the motion 6, and the motion was declared carried.

Accordingly, the Committee agreed not to call in the application and that instead it be determined by officers under delegated powers.

The meeting ended at 12.00 noon.