

## **BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 27 August 2013 at 6.30pm in the Ante-Room, Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed**

### **PRESENT:**

Councillors: G Hill (Vice-Chairman, in the Chair))  
I Dixon  
P Elliott  
T Forrester  
G Roughead  
A Turnbull

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

3 members of the public

#### **P029/13 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been accepted from: Councillors I Hunter (personal) and C Seymour (personal).

#### **P030/13 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 23 July 2013 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

#### **P031/13 3. STATEMENTS BY THE PUBLIC**

Mrs F Hamilton, resident, expressed concerns about application reference 13/02078/FUL, The Elizabethan, North Road. These included:

- The lack of sufficient parking for the development;
- The egress from Westfield Avenue into North Road, which was often congested;
- The proposal to create 16 two-bedroom flats, when it was understood that the need at present was to increase the supply of 1 bedroom properties;

- The design was inappropriate to its site and location.

The Chair thanked Mrs Hamilton for her comments, which would be taken into account when the Committee considered this application.

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#### **4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Councillor P Elliott declared a personal interest in Item 7, application reference 13/02078/FUL; and Councillor G Hill declared a personal interest in Item 7, application reference 13/02294/LBC

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#### **5. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION**

There were no requests for dispensation.

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#### **6. AMENDMENT TO MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEE**

**RESOLVED: Councillor A Gibson to be a member of the Planning Committee.**

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#### **7. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

**13/02078/FUL**

**Demolition of existing public house/ flat and replacement with 16no 2 bedroom apartments and external works, with associated parking and external works.**

**The Elizabethan, North Road, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland.**

**TD15 1PL**

Members objected to the application in its current form, on the grounds that the proposed development was overbearing and would overlook neighbouring properties and lead to a loss of privacy. Members also objected to the limited provision of parking on the site, which could lead to additional pressure in an area where parking was already inadequate. Members objected to the proposed layout and density of units, and took the view that a mix of one and two bedroom units would be preferable.

**13/02149/VARYCO**

**Variation of Condition 2 of 05/B/0142 (Erection of dwelling with integral double garage).**

**27 Meadow Grange, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1NW**

Members agreed to defer their view until they had been advised what Condition 2 of the original application had been; a consensus would then be reached by

email and forwarded to Northumberland County Council. Following advice from Northumberland County Council an observation of No Objection was reached.

**13/02212/FUL**

**Proposed extension to retail terrace to form a new unit (Unit H), including extension to car park and service area, pedestrian walkway and enhanced associated soft landscaping.**

**Land South Of Turret Gardens, Tweedbank Retail Park, Tweedmouth, Northumberland.**

No objection.

**13/02294/LBC**

**Listed building consent to remove single glazed windows at front of house from all windows and replace with double glazed units, replacing existing wooden sash and case units with exact same.**

**Alannah House, 84 Church Street, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland.**

No objection.

**13/02369/FUL**

**Extension to an existing dwelling house to create a garden room with roof terrace including minor internal alterations to create a downstairs WC.**

**120 Castlegate, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1JX**

No objection.

**13/02402/FUL**

**Construction of two storey and single storey extensions.**

**1 Farne Road, Spittal, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 2DW**

No objection.

**13/02442/COU**

**Temporary change of use from a trade counter to Class A1 retail with ancillary cafe facility for period of lease being six years.**

**Trade Counter Investment Ltd, 8E Tweedside Trading Estate,**

**Tweedmouth, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 2XF**

No objection.

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**8. PLANNING APPLICATION DECISION LIST**

The decisions provided in the attachment were noted.

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**9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday, 24 September 2013 at 6.30 pm.