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AGENDA ITEM No.

MINUTES

Meeting: National Park Authority Meeting

Date: 1 February 2013 at 10.00am

Venue: Aldern House Baslow Road Bakewell Derbyshire

Chair: Clr A Favell

Present: Clr Mrs B Beeley, Miss P Beswick, Clr D Birkinshaw,
Clr P Brady, Clr C Carr, Clr D Chapman, Mr R Clarke, Clr C Furness,
Clr Mrs H Gaddum, Clr P Harrison, Clr Mrs N Hawkins,
Clr Mrs C G Heath, Mr R Helliwell, Clr H Laws, Ms S Leckie,
Clr A McCloy, Mr G Nickolds (from 11.55am), Mr C Pennell,
Clr G Purdy, Clr Mrs L C Roberts, Clr D B Taylor, Clr Mrs N Turner,
Clr Mrs J A Twigg.

Apologies for absence: Mr P Ancell, Mrs F Beatty, Clr G Claff, Clr Mrs K M Potter
and Clr Mrs M Stockdale.

1/13 CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair held a minute's silence in remembrance of Prof John Herbert, former Member of the Authority, who had died in December.

2/13 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 7 December 2012 were approved as a correct record subject to the following amendments:

MINUTE 81/12

1.FULL APPLICATION – SEPARATION OF FORMER COACH HOUSE FROM MAIN HOUSE TO RECREATE TWO SEPARATE DWELLINGS, FERNHILL, HOLLOW MEADOWS (NP/S/0612/0653, P3081, 03/07/2012, 427003 387189/KW)

The penultimate paragraph of the minute was amended to read as follows:
"Following debate a motion to approve the application was moved and seconded".

The resolution was amended by deleting the words 'approve the recommendation of Planning Committee to' and "as an exception to policy".

MINUTE 82/12

2. FULL APPLICATION: ERECTION OF TWO WIND TURBINES ON LAND ADJACENT TO HILL TOP FARM, PARWICH (NP/DDD/0412/0434 P.3391 418946/355455 27/9/2012/CF)

The first sentence of the penultimate paragraph of the minute was deleted as it was duplicated and the remaining sentence of the penultimate paragraph was moved to

follow the first sentence of the last paragraph.

The list of Members present during the afternoon session of the meeting was amended by deleting Cllr P Harrison from the list.

3/13 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair stated that 3 people had given notice to speak under the Authority's Public Participation at Meetings Scheme.

4/13 MEMBERS DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Item 7

- Cllr P Brady declared that he had received an email from Mrs P Russell.

Item 8

- It was noted that all Members had received lobbying correspondence by email from Mr J Youatt.

Item 9

- Cllr Mrs H M Gaddum declared that she had been lobbied by telephone regarding this item.

5/13 7. NOTICE OF MOTION

In accordance with Standing Order 1.14, Cllr Chris Furness had given notice that he intended to move the following motion:

"That the Authority review Standing Order 1.48 (as set out in part one, section D) which permits the referral, by officers, of Planning Committee decisions to Authority Meetings"

Cllr Furness moved the motion and it was seconded. Cllr Furness requested that officers consider the issue, including procedures used by constituent Councils and other National Park Authorities, and report back to a future Authority meeting.

It was noted that officers were already reviewing the issue and a report would be made to the March Authority meeting.

RESOLVED:

That officers review Standing Order 1.48 (as set out in part one, section D) which permits the referral, by officers, of Planning Committee decisions to Authority meetings, including considering procedures used by constituent Councils and other National Park Authorities, and report back to the March Authority meeting.

6/13 8. ASSESSING THE CONSISTENCY OF THE PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK CORE STRATEGY WITH THE NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK (BJT/A.6101)

The following spoke under the public participation at meetings scheme:

- Mr J Youatt spoke on behalf of Friends of the Peak District and Sustainable Youlgrave to request that Members delayed making a decision for one month in order to review 4 policies.

Members then debated the report which requested them to agree the conclusions of the officer assessment of the consistency of the National Park Core Strategy with the National Planning Policy Framework. The Policy Planning Manager stated that officers were confident that the policies were consistent.

It was noted that a supplementary planning document (SPD) on climate change and sustainable building was being prepared and that a workshop for Members was due to be held regarding this in April. It was also noted that in response to a previous Member query officers would be preparing a guidance note covering how national planning policy differs inside and outside National Parks.

The recommendation for agreement of the officers' conclusions, as set out in the report, was moved and seconded. However an amendment to recommendation 1.2 to include that CC2 policy be individually reviewed was moved and seconded. The amendment was then voted on but lost. The original motion was then voted on and carried.

RESOLVED:

1. **That Members agree the conclusions of officers in Appendix 1 and paragraph 13 of the report, that:**
 1. **The Authority's planning policies are consistent with the provisions of the NPPF;**
 2. **That, consequently no early review of the Core Strategy be required; and**
 3. **That the process of producing Development Management Policies be used to consider any further ways in which the Authority's planning policies can be refined to further strengthen the consistency with national policy**

The meeting adjourned for a 5 minute comfort break.

At the request of the Chair, before consideration by the meeting of Item 9, the Director of Corporate Resources read out paragraph 1.48(1) from Part 1, Section D, of the Authority's Standing Orders to clarify why the application had been referred to the Authority.

7/13 9. FULL APPLICATION – FOR THE ERECTION OF A LOCAL NEEDS DWELLING INCORPORATING FORMER AGRICULTURAL BUILDING AT HUNGER HILL, FOLOW ROAD, EYAM (NP/DDD/0612/0640, P.5560, 06/07/2012, 421006/376921/JK

The following spoke under the public participation at meetings scheme:

- Dr Owens spoke as an individual and in support of the officer view on policy
- Jenny Eyre, applicant

Members considered and debated the application including need and whether or not the development was out of the village. During the debate Cllr Mrs N Turner left the room for a short time so did not vote on this item.

The recommendation for approval subject to a S106 agreement and conditions was moved and seconded. It was clarified that the reasons for approval were on the basis of local need and enhancement and improvement of the site. The motion was then voted on and carried.

RESOLVED:

That the Authority APPROVE the application as a departure from policy and subject to prior entry into a S106 agreement regarding local occupancy and affordability and subject to the following conditions:

- 1. Statutory 3 year time limit for commencement**
- 2. Adopt submitted plans**
- 3. Removal of Permitted Development rights**
- 4. Ecology mitigation**
- 5. Minor design details**
- 6. Submission and agreement of materials**
- 7. Siting of meter box**
- 8. Highways requirements**
- 9. Solar Panels**

11.55am Mr G D Nickolds joined the meeting and Cllr Mrs N Turner left the meeting.

8/13 10. BUDGET 2013/14 (A137/PN)

Members considered the report of the formal budget for approval for 2013/14. The recommendation as set out in the report was moved and seconded. It was agreed to add an additional recommendation to thank all officers involved in the preparation of work and figures for the report. The motion was then voted on and carried.

RESOLVED:

- 1. That the base budget for the 2013/14 financial year shown in Appendix 1 and 2 of the report be approved.**
- 2. That the financial position of the Authority in respect of planning for the following years be noted.**
- 3. That all officers involved in the preparation of work and figures for the report be thanked.**

9/13 11. REVIEW OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETINGS INVOLVING MEMBERS – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SCHEME (A.111/JS)

Members considered the report on amendments proposed to the Public Participation Scheme, to address situations where large numbers of speakers could impact on the efficiency of the decision making process, following discussions between the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Authority and the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Committees.

The recommendation for approval of the amendments set out in paragraph 7 of the report was moved and seconded subject to further amendments that out of the 15 maximum speakers per item 1 for and 1 against will be included (as long as for and against are represented in the requests to speak), that requests to speak from Statutory Consultees were included within the 15 maximum speakers per item, that requests to speak from County, District and Parish Councillors were included within the 15 maximum speakers per item and that the amended scheme be run for a trial period of 12 months. This was voted on and carried.

RESOLVED:

To approve proposals to amend the public participation scheme, as set out in paragraph 7 of the report, with effect from the Planning Committee meeting on 8 March 2013 subject to the following amendments:

- **Out of the 15 maximum speakers per item there is 1 for and 1 against if represented in the requests to speak**
- **Requests to speak by Statutory Consultees will be accepted and the number of consultees giving notice will be deducted from the overall limit of 15 maximum speakers per item.**
- **Requests to speak by County, District or Parish Councillors (or Chair of a Parish Meeting) on matters impacting upon their Division, Ward or Parish will be accepted and the number of Councillors giving notice will be deducted from the overall limit of 15 maximum speakers per item.**
- **Trial period of 12 months**

The meeting adjourned at 12.20pm for a short comfort break and reconvened at 12.30pm.

10/13 13. ITEM FOR APPROVAL WITH NO DISCUSSION:

**1. THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 – THE AMENDED STANDARDS REGIME
UPDATE TO STANDING ORDERS, PROTOCOLS AND POLICIES
(A.11/AGM)**

The Head of Law reported an amendment to the report in Appendix 3, box number 6 of the Schedule, by inserting the words 'personal or' in front of the words 'prejudicial interests'.

RESOLVED:

1. **To approve changes to the following protocols:**
 - **Protocol on Planning Development Control and Planning Policy (Appendix 1 of the report)**
 - **Protocol for Member and Officer Relations (Appendix 2 of the report)**
 - **Monitoring Officer Protocol (Appendix 3 of the report)**
2. **To approve changes to the Anti-Fraud and Corruption policy as set out in appendices 4 of the report.**
3. **To approve changes to part 1 and part 6 of Standing Orders as set out in appendices 5 and 6 of the report.**

11/13 12. MANAGEMENT REVIEW: FUTURE LEADERSHIP OF OPERATIONS (JBD)

Paragraph 27 of the report was amended in the third and fourth paragraphs due to the omission of the on-costs to the figures quoted. In the third paragraph the figures quoted should be "£24,569" and "£68,110" and in the fourth paragraph the first figure quoted should be "£31,890" not "£29,703".

The Chief Executive detailed the background to the report and thanked the other project board members, Bob Cartwright, Christopher Pennell and Deborah Unwin, for all their contributions.

He also reported that the Government had recently announced a £62 million pound investment in cycling with up to £12 million being made available to local authorities working in partnership with National Parks to improve conditions for cyclists and it was hoped that the Peak District would benefit from this.

Members considered the report which proposed specific, detailed changes to the senior staffing structure of the Authority's organisation. The recommendation as set out in the report was moved and seconded. This was then voted on and carried. Members requested that the structure be reviewed in 12 months.

RESOLVED:

1. **Disestablish the posts of Director of Operations with effect from 1 April 2014 and the Head of Field Service, Head of Policy and Head of Environment & Economy with effect from 31 March 2013**
2. **Disestablish the post of Head of Property Service with effect 31 March 2013, but retain the entire budget capacity to provide strategic support to property work until 31 March 2014 and thereafter allocate sufficient budget to provide a permanent 0.5FTE J Grade strategic property post on the establishment.**
3. **Establish the new posts reporting to the Chief Executive of Assistant Director (Land Management), Assistant Director (Enterprise and Field Services) and Assistant Director (Policy and Partnerships) on Chief Officer terms and conditions with effect from 1 April 2013**
4. **To establish a new 4 point Assistant Director salary scale, in line with the Chief Executive and Directors scales (i.e. related to Chief Officer pay and outside the Local Government Job evaluation scheme), from £40,741 to £45,147) to be reviewed in line with any future review/ pay award to the salary scales of the Chief Executive and Directors**
5. **Appointments to be made in line with the Managing Change Policy and to come into effect 1 April 2013**
6. **All staff and managers who contributed to consultation events or who responded in written form are thanked for their thoughtful, constructive and professional inputs. Members of the Programme Board are thanked.**

The meeting concluded at 1.10pm.