

WETHERAL PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD on Monday 30th March 2015
7.30pm at Wetheral Community Centre

PRESENT: Cllr M. Higginbotham (Chair)
Cllr Earp, Cllr Poole, Cllr Dodd Cllr Rose Cllr Round
Cllt Higgs Cllr Holland Cllr Bainbridge

Also present residents of Wetheral Mr & Mrs Norman

PL/14/90 Apologies for Absence:- All wards represented

PL/14/91 Declarations of Interest - Cllr Earp declared an interest as a member of Carlisle City Council. Cllr Bainbridge declared an interest in item 7(iv) As a neighbour of the access track. Cllr Higgs declared an interest in item 7 (iii) as a neighbour of applicant.

PL/14/92 Public Participation - Residents of Wetheral representing the Save Wetheral Group, requested support from the Parish Council, with reference to the recent Decision to Refuse Permission for the amendments to the Application 15/0028. Council was advised that the application was retrospective and that the balconies were in the process of being installed. Council was requested to ask for their removal. Chairman thanked residents and advised that as the decision was only made 3 days previously it was felt the situation should be monitored to give the developer time to act upon the order. It was agreed to place the item on the agenda for the next Planning Committee meeting.

PL14/93 Carlisle District Local Plan – Members proposed comments to the draft Feb. 2015 To be considered by Full Council on 8th April 2015. (See report attached)
Cllr Holland left meeting the meeting following discussions

PL14/94 Minutes – of the meeting held 2nd March 2015 were signed as a correct record.

PL14/95 Planning Decisions reported between 23rd February 2015 and 23rd March

1. *Plan Number*

14/0816 Land to rear of Thornedge, Station Road, Cumwhinton

Demolition of existing house and stables; Erection of 22no. dwellings

Granted subject to a legal agreement

PL/14/96 Planning Applications considered on 30th March 2015

1. *Plan Number*

15/0148 The Coach House, Allenwood, Heads Nook

Erection of 2no. holiday cabins

Observations Whilst members have no objections to holiday homes on the site it was felt that the proposed designs did not fit in adjacent to the iconic building of the Coach House, which is situated in such a prominent position in open countryside

2. *Plan Number*

15/0164 Skelton House, Wetheral

Variation of condition 4 previously approved app. 14/0472 to allow work on Saturdays between 7.30 – 18.00 hours

Objection Members wish to object to this proposal as it was felt that 55 hours was adequate in a built up residential area.

3. *Plan Number*

15/0173 13 Croft Park, Wetheral

Replacement of carport with garage and change of flat roofs to pitched roofs together with internal alterations

No observations

4. *Plan Number*

15/0186 Land to north of Thornedge, Cumwhinton

Erection of Stables, Tack Room and Food Stores

Observations

Whilst members did not have any objections they had several comments they wish to be considered:-

i) Public Footpath (N.B. not shown on plans): It was felt that the existing access track is poorly maintained and unsuitable for purpose at present, any increase in traffic in particular agricultural vehicles would make this worse. Although the developer has agreed to gravel the track, which met with approval, it was felt that the field drains needed attention if this problem was to be alleviated.

ii) Access – Concerns were raised regarding the access of traffic entering and exiting the track from the Scotby/ Cumwhinton road, where there was no speed limit in place.

iii) Stables – The stables application is retrospective, as it would appear they have already been moved. The roof shown on plans is “green” **not** as in position.

Members would have preferred to see the stables situated farther away from the proposed new housing development in view of any smell or noise.

5. *Plan Number*

15/0229 Wrayside, Wetheral Shield

Change of use from 1 to 4 dwellings, extensions to gable ends and new treatment plant.

No observations

6. *Plan Number*

15/0228 Land to the rear of Thornedge, Cumwhinton

Variation of Conditions 2 and 4.

Observations

Whilst members had no comments to the variations they were disappointed to note that no extra parking had been included for visitors to the site. Members felt more visitor parking was required.

PL/14/97 Correspondence –

i) Email – 15/0164 comments - Noted

ii) Site Meeting 14/1091 - (emailed all 17/3/15) Cllr Higgs advised that he had attended the site meeting. The application had now been passed, with the inclusion of pavements as requested by Parish Council.

PL/14/98 Date of next Meeting – 27th April 2015 (4th May Bank Holiday)

Cllr Rose advised the meeting he would be unable to attend, Cllr Higgs agreed to represent Wetheral in his place.

CHAIRMAN

DATED: