

Town Planning Committee

Thursday, 19th April, 2012

MEETING OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE

- Members present: Councillor L. Patterson (Chairman);
the Deputy Lord Mayor (Alderman R. Patterson);
Alderman Rodgers; and
Councillors Austin, Garrett, Hanna, Kingston, Lavery,
McCabe, Mullan, O'Neill and Spence.
- In attendance: Mrs. P. Scarborough, Democratic Services Section,
Mr. B. Flynn, Democratic Services Officer; and
Mr. P. Montgomery) Belfast Divisional
Ms. E. Hanratty) Planning Office.

Apologies

Apologies for inability to attend were reported from Aldermen McCoubrey and Smyth and Councillors Curran, McCarthy and A. Newton.

Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were reported.

Routine Correspondence

It was reported that correspondence had been received in respect of the following:

Notification from the Roads Service regarding the proposed provision of a disabled parking bay at 13 Elm Street.

The Committee was advised that a catalogue of future training and development related events had been received from the Royal Town Planning Institute and it was made available at the meeting for the information of the Members.

The Committee was advised that representatives of the Northern Ireland Housing Executive would be in attendance at the meeting of the Housing Forum on Thursday, 26th April, 2012 to discuss issues around Houses in Multiple Occupation in the University and Laganbank areas.

Noted.

Seminar - Planning for the Future

The Committee was advised that notification had been received from agendaNi regarding a seminar entitled "Planning for the Future", which would be held in the Baby Grand, Grand Opera House, on Thursday, 14th June, 2012. It was pointed out that, given the forthcoming Review of Public Administration, together with the proposed return of the planning function to Local Government in 2014.

The issues to be discussed at the seminar would be of particular relevance to Members. It was indicated that the seminar would provide an opportunity for those with a role or interest in planning locally to discuss and debate a range of issues in conjunction with planning experts from across the British Isles. Attendance at the seminar would cost £150 per person.

The Committee agreed to authorise the attendance at this seminar of any Member of the Committee who so wished, together with the Democratic Services Manager or his nominee.

New Applications

The Committee noted a list of planning applications which had been received by the Belfast Planning Manager for the Council area for the period from 3rd April till 9th April, 2012.

Reconsidered Items

The Committee considered further the undernoted applications and, after discussion, adopted the recommendations of the Belfast Planning Manager thereon, with the exception of those referred to below:

6 Kincora Avenue (Z/2011/0390/F)

The Committee considered further a planning application in relation to the erection of a two storey dwelling to the rear of the above-mentioned location in respect of which the Divisional Planning Manager had offered an opinion to approve.

The Committee agreed, with one Member voting against, to adopt the opinion of the Divisional Planning Manager.

(As the decision was not unanimous it was subject to ratification by the Council.)

McDonalds Restaurant Limited, Westwood Centre, Kennedy Way (Z/2011/0765/F)

The Committee considered further a planning application in relation to the refurbishment of the restaurant and patio area, including associated works to the site; the reconfiguration of the drive through lane and car park; the installation of a customer order display and canopy cladding to elevations; and alterations to the roof at the above-mentioned location in respect of which the Divisional Planning Manager had offered an opinion to approve.

The Committee agreed, with one Member voting against, to adopt the opinion of the Divisional Planning Manager.

(As the decision was not unanimous it was subject to ratification by the Council.)

**THE COMMITTEE DEALT WITH THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN PURSUANCE
OF THE POWERS DELEGATED TO IT BY THE COUNCIL**

Reconsidered Items

The Committee considered further the undernoted applications and, after discussion, adopted the recommendations of the Belfast Planning Manager thereon:

<u>Site and Applicant</u>	<u>Proposal</u>	<u>Divisional Planning Manager's Opinion</u>
6 Bladon Court, Malone Lower Rapport Architects	Erection of two storey extension to rear of dwelling	Approval
22 Knockbreda Gardens, Hall Black Douglas Architects	Erection of single storey rear extension	Approval

Schedule of Planning Applications

The Committee considered a schedule of planning applications which had been submitted by the Divisional Planning Manager in respect of the Council area and agreed to adopt the recommendations therein, with the exception of those referred to below:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Proposal</u>
77a, b and c Malone Avenue M C Logan	Rear extension, alterations to front elevation and internal alterations to three apartments in multiple occupation [Deferred by the Committee to enable an office meeting to take place.]
111 Wandsworth Road James Neill Architects	Erection of two storey extension to rear of dwelling [Deferred by the Committee to enable an office meeting to take place.]

Chairman