#### **NEWRY, MOURNE & DOWN DISTRICT COUNCIL**

# Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 11 April 2018 at 10.00am in the Boardroom, Monaghan Row, Newry

**Chairperson:** Councillor G Craig **Deputy Chairperson:** Councillor K Loughran

In attendance: (Committee Members)

Councillor C Casey
Councillor L Devlin
Councillor V Harte
Councillor J Macauley
Councillor Councillor M Councillor D McAteer

Councillor M Ruane

(Officials)

Ms M Ward Director, Enterprise,

Regeneration, and Tourism

Mr A McKay Chief Planning Officer
Mr P Rooney Principal Planning Officer
Ms A McAlarney Senior Planning Officer
Ms J McParland Senior Planning Officer
Mr A Davidson Senior Planning Officer

Ms L Coll Legal Advisor

Ms E McParland Democratic Services

Manager

Ms C McAteer Democratic Services Officer
Ms P McKeever Democratic Services Officer

## P/027/2018: APOLOGIES AND CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

Apologies were received for Councillor Murnin. It was noted that Councillors Clarke and Devlin would be late attending the meeting.

P/028/2018: DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were received

P/029/2018: DECLARATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PLANNING

**COMMITTEE PROTOCOL PARA. 19** 

- MEMBER TO BE PRESENT FOR ENTIRE ITEM

• Item No. 6 – LA07/2016/1092 – Fitzpatrick SSAS – Councillor Clarke was not present for the first presentation and Councillors Devlin, Hanna and Loughran were not at the site visit and did not take part in the discussion/decision on this application.

- Item No. 7 LA07/2017/1394/F Mr and Mrs B Gibney Councillors Clarke, Devlin, Hanna and Loughran were not present at the site visit and Councillor Ruane was not present for the first presentation and did not take part in the discussion/decision on this application.
- Item No. 15 R/2014/0499/RM Dunmore Construction Councillors Clarke and Devlin previously declared an interest and withdrew from the first presentation and did not take part in the discussion/decision on this application.
- Item No. 29 LA07/2015/0248/F Sean Fitzpatrick Councillors Clarke and Devlin were not present for the first presentation and did not take part in the discussion / decision on this application.

P/030/2018: MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 7 MARCH 2018

Read: Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held on

Wednesday 7 March 2018. (Copy circulated)

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Ruane seconded by Councillor Hanna it was agreed to adopt the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 7 March 2018 as a true and accurate record.

**P/031/2018: ADDENDUM LIST** 

Read: Addendum List of Planning Applications with no

representations received or requests for speaking rights – **Wednesday 11 March 2018. (Copy circulated)** 

AGREED: It was unanimously agreed to <u>remove</u> the

following planning applications from the

Addendum List:-

Item 9 – LA07/2017/0426/F – Norman McBriar & Son – proposed change of use from ground floor commercial unit to funeral home- 37 Saintfield Mill, Saintfield.

APPROVAL - Removed from the addendum list at the request of Planners, to be presented at the May 2018 Planning Committee Meeting.

• Item 24 – LA07/2017/1804/F – Paddy Murphy – change of house type (previously approved under P/2008/0396/F) – site approx. 300m west of 11 Cranny Road, Newry.

REFUSAL – Removed from the addendum list at the request of Councillor Larkin and deferred for one

month to accommodate this applicant in his search for documentation supporting his case.

#### **AGREED:**

On the proposal of Councillor Larkin seconded by Councillor McAteer it was agreed to <a href="mailto:approve">approve</a> the Officer recommendation in respect of the following Applications listed on the Addendum List for Wednesday 11 April 2018

 Item 10 – LA07/2017/0950/F – HWM Properties Ltd – housing development with 2 detached and 2 semi-detached dwellings and associated sit works – lands adjacent to and rear of 40 Queens Park, Crossgar, Saintfield.

## **REFUSAL**

- Item 13 LA07/2017/1588/F Philip Young 2 storey side extension to a dwelling to allow kitchen/dining/living area with lounge above 77a Cahard Road, Ballynahinch.
   REFUSAL
- Item 14 LA07/2017/1668/F Mr & Mrs Joseph Bell conversion of stables to domestic annext to be used as a granny flat 33 Cluntagh Road, Crossgar.

#### **REFUSAL**

Item 17 – LA07/2017/0105/0 – Mr D Hanratty –
proposed tourist camping site consisting of 12 No. glamping
pods, shower/toilets/utilities building, children's play area
and ancillary works – lands 110m SE of 53 Ballintemple
Road, Killeavy.

#### **APPROVAL**

Item 20 – LA07/2017/0945/F – Board of Govenors St.
 Joseph's High School – sports facilities, open space and play
 areas. Access from Dundalk Road – 77 Dundalk Road,
 Crossmaglen.

## **APPROVAL**

 Item 21 – LA07/2017/1633/F – Winnie Hoey – erection of dwelling and associated site works – lands immediately NW and opposite 17 Newry Road, Crossmaglen.

## **REFUSAL**

Item 23 – LA07/2017/1802/F – Bridget Hasson –
proposed infill dwelling and domestic garage – 80m NE of 50
Malachy Conlon Park, Cullaville, Newry.

#### REFUSAL

• Item 27 – LA07/2018/0314/F – Newry, Mourne and Down District Council - public art work – full scale replica of the

Bessbrook Tram – lands approx. 95m west of 1-6 Derrybeg Villas, Newry. **APPROVAL** 

## P/032/2018: APPLICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION

The following applications were then determined by the Committee:-

(Councillors Hanna and Loughran withdrew from the meeting - 10.20 am)

## (1) <u>LA07/2016/1092/F – Fitzpatrick SSAS</u>

#### **Location:**

Lands to the north and west of and the existing Leode Quarry, Leode Road, Hilltown, Newry, Co. Down, BT34 5TJ the site is located approximately 2 miles west of Hilltown.

## **Proposal:**

A lateral extension in a predominantly westerly direction to the existing quarry, the construction of a screening landform, followed by the deepening of the enlarged quarry floor and the provision of a holistic restoration concept for the entire mineral development site

# **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Approval

## **Speaking rights:**

Mandy McClean, resident, in objection to the application.

## **Speaking rights:**

DEA Councillor Gillian Fitzpatrick, objecting to the application.

## **Speaking rights:**

Andrew Scurfield, agent, and Paul Fitzpatrick, applicant, in support of the application.

During discussions, concern was raised regarding the type of fencing that should be used and it was agreed in the interests of health and safety particularly with regard to young children and vulnerable people that the fencing from neighbouring houses leading to the quarry should be of a more robust type than the 3 strand stock fencing that would be used to secure the entire perimeter of the quarry.

It was also agreed that a Liaison Committee be set up with regular meetings held to discuss any concerns residents may have including noise levels associated with the on-going blasting of the site.

#### **AGREED:**

On the proposal of Councillor Larkin seconded by Councillor McAteer it was agreed to issue an approval in respect of LA07/2016/1092/F as per the Case Officer report presented to Committee, with the following 3 conditions added to those already outlined in the Planning Officer's report:

- A Liaison Committee be set up to include Fitzpatrick SSAS and local residents. Representatives from NMDDC should also attend all scheduled meetings in the initial period until the Committee had become established.
- 2. A more robust type of fencing to be used from the neighbouring houses leading to the quarry and any other identified vulnerable zones, than the 3 strand stock fencing that was to be used along the full perimeter of the quarry.
- 3. An increased level of screening to be carried out by way of planting trees, shrubs and hedges with mature planting where appropriate.

#### Abstentions: 0

(Councillors Loughran and Hanna re-joined the meeting – 11.05 am)

## 2. <u>LA07/2017/0290/0 – Mr and Mrs McMurray</u>

#### Location:

110m south of 52 Carsonstown Road, Saintfield

## **Proposal:**

Single storey 200sqm house with outbuilding garage and stores

# Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official: Refusal

#### Speaking rights:

Stephen Douglas, Agent, in support of the application.

During discussion on the application, Ms Coll advised Committee Members of the importance of basing any decision on the evidence before them and evidence held by Planners on file. She stressed if the Planning Officers were advising that documentary evidence was required, then that was what was needed.

Councillor McAteer proposed and Councillor Loughran seconded to accept the Officers recommendation to refuse the application.

The proposal was put to a vote by a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 2
AGAINST: 6
ABSTENTIONS: 1

## The proposal was declared lost.

Councillor Hanna proposed and Councillor Ruane seconded to defer Planning Application LA07/2017/0290/O for one month to allow the applicant time to submit documentary evidence to substantiate his claims that the farm was established and active.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 7
AGAINST: 1
ABSTENTIONS: 1

The proposal was declared carried.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Hanna seconded by

Councillor Ruane it was agreed to defer Planning Application LA07/2017/0290/0 for one month to allow the applicant time to submit documentary evidence to substantiate his claims that the farm was established and

active.

# (3) LA07/2017/1394/F – Mr and Mrs Gibney

(Councillors Hanna, Loughran, Devlin and Ruane withdrew from the meeting – 11.30 am)

#### Location:

Lands 80m east of No. 89 Demesne Road, Edendariff, Ballynahinch

## **Proposal:**

Dwelling and garage on a farm

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Ewart Davis, Agent, in support of the application.

(Councillor Devlin joined the meeting at 11.40am)

Councillor McAteer proposed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1394/F contrary to officer recommendation on the basis that as a result of attending the site visit, he considered there was sufficient visual linkage with the other existing agricultural buildings.

This proposal fell as it was not seconded.

Councillor Larkin proposed and Councillor Casey seconded to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1394/F as per the information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 4
AGAINST: 2
ABSTENTIONS: 0

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Larkin seconded by

Councillor Casey it was agreed to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1394/F as per the information and recommendation contained in the

**Case Officer report presented to Committee.** 

(Break 11.55am – 12.10pm)

(All Councillors re-joined the meeting)

## 4. <u>LA07/2017/1077/0 – Eammon O'Rourke</u>

#### Location:

Lands to the SE of 32 Dromara Road, Leitrim, Castlewellan

#### **Proposal:**

Dwelling on a farm including garage

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

#### **Speaking rights:**

John Cleland, Agent, in support of the application

During discussion on the application a query was raised in relation to the views of NIEA.

Ms Coll reminded Committee Members of the need to assess the application based on information before them and the duty of applicants to provide full information and documentation. She advised to also be mindful of the comments of the Head of Planning and Senior Planner regarding planning requirements and policy.

Councillor Hanna proposed and Councillor Macauley seconded to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1077/O as per the information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 7
AGAINST: 3
ABSTENTIONS: 1

The proposal was declared carried.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Hanna seconded by

Councillor Macauley it was agreed to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1077/O as per the information and recommendation contained in the

**Case Officer report presented to Committee.** 

## 5. <u>LA07/2017/1405/0 – Mr V McNabb</u>

## **Location:**

65m SW of 7 Ballystrew Road, Downpatrick

#### **Proposal:**

Proposed site for infill dwelling, detached garage and associated site works

#### **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Barry Fletcher, Agent, in support of the application.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Larkin seconded by

Councillor Hanna it was unanimously agreed to issue a

refusal in respect of Planning Application

LA07/2017/1405/O as per the information and

# recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

# 6. <u>LA07/2017/1668/F – Mr & Mrs Joseph Bell</u>

#### Location:

33 Cluntagh Road, Crossgar

## **Proposal:**

Conversion of stables to domestic annex to be used as a granny flat

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Gerry Tumelty, Agent, in support of the application.

Councillor Ruane proposed and Councillor Hanna seconded to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1668/F as per the information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 6
AGAINST: 5
ABSTENTIONS: 0

The proposal was declared carried.

**AGREED:** On the proposal of Councillor Ruane seconded by

Councillor Hanna it was agreed to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1668/F as per the information and recommendation in the Case Officer

report presented to Committee.

(Councillors Devlin and Clarke withdrew from the meeting at 1.10pm)

## 7. R/2014/0499/RM – Dunmore Construction

#### Location:

Lands adjacent to 8 Middle Tollymore Road, and opposite No. 11, 13, 15 Middle Tollymore Road, Newcastle

## **Proposal:**

Proposed housing development including alterations to existing junction on Middle Tollymore Road and Tollymore Road

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Approval

## **Speaking rights:**

Ciaran MacFerran and Elizabeth Hardy, on behalf of Sharon Murphy, objecting to the application.

## Speaking rights:

Colin D'Alton, agent; Michael Rodgers, applicant and David Donaldson, Planning Consultant, in support of the application.

During discussion on the application Ms Coll advised the reference made by Mr MacFerran to guidance on the use of planning conditions from the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government applied to the UK and Wales and although informative, was not binding. In response to a query, she confirmed case law was more relevant and a negative condition could be imposed in line with what the Planning Department had recommended.

# AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor McAteer seconded by

Councillor Larkin it was unanimously agreed to issue an

approval in respect of Planning Application R/2014/0499/RM as per information and

recommendation in the Case Officer's report presented to Committee and draft conditions circulated at the meeting.

(Lunch break 1.30pm - 2.15pm)

# 8. <u>LA07/2017/1866/F – Mr & Mrs Murphy</u>

#### Location:

Approx. 35m NW of Mullaghduff Road, Ballymarea, Cullyhanna

#### **Proposal:**

Erection of dwelling and garage (change of house type and access position from that previously granted under planning application (P/2006/2029/RM)

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

#### Speaking rights:

Stephen Hughes, Agent, in support of the application.

**AGREED:** 

On the proposal of Councillor Larkin seconded by Councillor Hanna it was unanimously agreed to issue

an approval in respect of Planning Application

LA07/2017/1866/F contrary to officer

recommendation on the basis that documentary evidence confirmed that work had commenced on

site before 15 November 2010.

It was also agreed Planning Officers be granted authority to delegate any relevant conditions.

## 9. <u>LA07/2016/1407/F – Richard Newell</u>

(Not audio recorded)

#### Location:

75a Glassdrumman Road, Annalong

## **Proposal:**

Proposed extension of curtilage of existing dwelling house and retention of existing domestic boat house and yard

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

### Speaking rights:

Glyn Mitchel, Agent, in support of the application.

Ms Coll advised the Committee to exercise caution if they wanted to step away from the Area Plan and said they must consider whether the building was appropriate in the particular location applied for.

Councillor Hanna proposed and Councillor Larkin seconded to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2016/1407/F contrary to officer recommendation on the basis that in their view the agent had demonstrated there was a need to extend the curtilage of the property to accommodate the applicant's need for a boat store; the proposal would not adversely affect the proposed housing development on these lands and the proposal was not out of character in the area given the size and extend of the building beside it.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 4
AGAINST: 7
ABSTENTIONS: 0

## The proposal was declared lost.

Councillor McAteer proposed and Councillor Ruane seconded to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2016/1407/F as per information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 7
AGAINST: 4
ABSTENTIONS: 0

The proposal was declared carried.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor McAteer seconded by

Councillor Ruane it was agreed to issue a refusal in

respect of Planning Application LA07/2016/1407/F as per

officer recommendation.

# 10. <u>LA07/2017/0562/F – John Perry</u>

(Not audio recorded)

#### Location:

Approx. 320m NW of 21 East Council Road, Maghereagh, Ballymartin

## **Proposal:**

Erection of dwelling and garage in substitution for dwelling approved under application P/2008/0825/RM

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Seanin Hann, Agent, in support of the application.

Councillor Hanna proposed and Councillor Macauley seconded to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/0562/F contrary to officer recommendation on the basis that documentary evidence confirmed that works had already commenced on site.

Mr McKay reminded the Committee that this Planning Application had previously been refused by Council and there had been no change in circumstances since the last decision made by the Council. Mr McKay said this decision had been upheld by the PAC.

Ms Coll also cautioned the Committee against overturning this former decision. She said the PAC had determined that this application had not commenced and she would strongly caution the Committee against overturning the Planning Officer's recommendation.

Ms Coll said that each planning application had to be looked at individually and it could not be the view of Committee that every application that had pre commencement works should automatically be approved.

Councillor Craig stated that to allow the matter to be discussed in more detail, the Committee should go into closed session.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Macauley seconded by

Councillor Devlin it was agreed to go into closed session in accordance with paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (NI) 2014 - information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the Council holding that information) and the public may, by resolution, be

excluded during this item of business.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Hanna seconded by

**Councillor Clarke it was agreed to come out of closed** 

session.

When the meeting came out of closed session, the Chairperson asked members to vote by way of a show of hands on the proposal that had been put forward by Councillor Hanna and seconded by Councillor Macauley to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/0562/F contrary to the information and officer recommendation in the Case Officer report presented to Committee, on the basis that documentary evidence confirmed that works had already commenced on site.

FOR: 3
AGAINST: 4
ABSTENTIONS: 4

#### The proposal was declared lost.

Councillor McAteer proposed and Councillor Devlin seconded to defer Planning Application LA07/2017/0562/F to allow time to seek written legal advice on how to deal appropriately with this planning application and other similar planning applications.

The proposal was put to a vote and voting was as follows:

FOR: 4
AGAINST: 1
ABSTENTIONS: 6

The proposal was declared carried.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor McAteer seconded by

Councillor Devlin it was agreed to defer Planning Application LA07/2017/0562/F to allow time to seek

written legal advice on how to deal appropriately with this

planning application and other similar planning

applications.

## 11. <u>LA07/2017/1697/F - Mr S Hughes</u>

#### Location:

90M north of 21 Barrawully Road, Jonesborough, Newry (previously Aghadovyle Road)

## **Proposal:**

Erection of dwelling and garage (change of house type and garage to that approved under P/2005/1285/0 and P/2008/1063/RM

# **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Mr S Hughes Applicant and and Mr B Dinsmore, Agent in support of the application.

Councillor Larkin proposed and Councillor Clarke seconded to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1697/F contrary to the information and recommendation in the Case Officer report presented to Committee, on the basis that planning permission had been secured with works relating to the demolishment of the former dwelling, sight lines and splays and that these works had already commenced on site before the outline approval had expired as shown by way of a receipt dated 20-09-2010, and that conditions be delegated to the Planning Officers.

Ms Coll reminded the Committee to consider the advice she had given previously with regard to overturning the planning officer's recommendation.

In relation to clarification sought, Mr McKay confirmed this application had not been appealed to the PAC.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 5
AGAINST: 1
ABSTENTIONS: 5

The proposal was declared carried.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Larkin seconded by

Councillor Clarke it was agreed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1697/F contrary to officer recommendation on the basis that

works had already commenced on site.

It was also agreed that Planning Officials be granted

authority to impose any relevant conditions.

## 12. <u>LA07/2018/0210/F – Henry Noel Quinn</u>

#### **Location:**

260m SE of No. 4 Brackenagh Hall, Mission Road, Ballymartin

### **Proposal:**

Change of house type for that approved under P/2004/1287/0 and P/2007/0613/RM

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

#### **Speaking rights:**

Patrina Cunningham, Applicant's daughter and Barney Dinsmore, Agent, in support of the application.

Councillor Clarke proposed and Councillor Hanna seconded to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/0210/F contrary to the information and recommendation in the Case Officer report presented to Committee on the basis that photographic evidence indicated that works had already commenced on site; Building Control had inspected the foundations prior to October 2010; and advice given in generic letters from previous Planning Authority staff meant the applicant believed planning approval had been secured.

Ms Coll again reminded the Committee to consider the advice she had given previously with regard to overturning the planning officer's recommendation. She

advised application for a CLUD was an appropriate way for applicants to proceed in such circumstances.

In relation to clarification sought, Mr Rooney confirmed there had been no PAC involvement in this application.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 6
AGAINST: Nil
ABSTENTIONS: 5

The proposal was declared carried.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Clarke seconded by

Councillor Hanna it was agreed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/0210/F contrary to officer recommendation on the basis that photographic evidence indicated that works had already commenced on site; Building Control had inspected the foundations prior to October 2010 and generic advice had been given by the previous Planning Authority staff which led the applicant to believe planning permission had been

secured.

## 25. <u>LA07/2016/1573/F – Ronald Sloan</u>

#### Location:

55m SE of 29 Leitrim Road, Kilkeel

#### **Proposal:**

Replacement dwelling and detached garage

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Brendan Quinn, Agent, in support of the application.

The Planning Officer advised that the dwelling to be replaced had already been demolished and replaced and planning policy stated that a dwelling could only be replaced once.

Ms Coll advised the Committee that to grant planning permission to replace a dwelling, in circumstances, where there was no dwelling to replace, would set a dangerous precedent.

Councillor Devlin proposed and Councillor Ruane seconded to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2016/1573/F as per the information and recommendation in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 6
AGAINST: 4
ABSTENTIONS: 1

The proposal was declared carried.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Devlin seconded by

Councillor Ruane it was agreed to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2016/1573/F as per the information and recommendation in the Case Officer

report presented to Committee.

(Break 4.50pm - 5.00pm)

## 26. <u>P/2014/0427/0 – Joseph McGivern</u>

#### Location:

To the rear and south of 2 Berkley Grove, Warrenpoint

## **Proposal:**

Site for dwelling

#### **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

#### Speaking rights:

Brendan Quinn, Agent, in support of the application.

## **Speaking rights:**

DEA Councillor Michael Carr in support of the application.

Councillor McAteer proposed and Councillor Macauley seconded to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application P/2014/0427/O contrary to the information and recommendation in the Case Officer report presented to Committee based on the fact that TransportNI (TNI) had already adopted the

roads in Berkeley Grove and road traffic statistics indicated no evidence of any traffic accidents at the junction between Berkley Grove and Well Road. It was also noted that this planning application was 'outline' at this stage and conditions could be imposed with regard to the size of the proposed dwelling in due course.

Ms Coll advised the Committee that road safety was of paramount importance and the reasons for going against officer recommendation and consultee advice would have to be comprehensively addressed and documented.

Councillor McAteer said there was a lot of green space remaining in that particular zone, there was a mixture of density and the permission could be subject to conditions, including that of size and the nature of the house.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 3 **AGAINST:** 3 **ABSTENTIONS:** 

The Chairperson used his casting vote and voted against the proposal stating that it would be unwise to go against TNI advice.

The proposal was declared lost.

#### AGREED:

On the proposal of Councillor Ruane seconded by **Councillor Clarke it was unanimously agreed to defer** Planning Application P/2014/0427/O for 1 month and to invite representatives from TNI to the next meeting in order that concerns regarding road safety issues could be

clarified.

(5.35pm - Councillor Macauley left the meeting)

#### 27. LA07/2017/1707/F - Kevin Teggart Senior

(Not audio recorded)

#### Location:

Approx. 270m SE of 51 Ayallogue Road, Newry

#### **Proposal:**

Erection of replacement dwelling with detached garage

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Colin O'Callaghan, Agent, in support of the application.

Councillor Larkin proposed and Councillor Casey seconded to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1707/F contrary to the information and recommendation in the Case Officer report presented to Committee on the basis that the building had all the characteristics of a former dwelling in that there was evidence of blocked up windows, additionally, its location in the middle of a farmyard would have been in keeping with the location of farmhouse dwellings in the 1800s.

Ms Coll advised the Committee that the Policy test was whether the building still had the characteristics of a dwelling in its current form.

Councillor Larkin said the building had evidence of window openings and a front door which, althouigh now blocked up, would indicate there was an old farm house.

Councillor Clarke said he concurred with the view of Councillor Larkin.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 7
AGAINST: 2
ABSTENTIONS: 1

The proposal was declared carried.

AGEED: On the proposal of Councillor Larkin, seconded by Councillor Casey it was agreed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1707/F contrary to Officer

recommendation.

(6.00pm Councillor Hanna left the meeting)

## LA07/2015/0248/F - Sean Fitzpatrick

#### Location:

Form hardcore access track: 261m North West of 36A Council Road, Kilkeel

#### **Proposal:**

Erection of 225kw wind turbine with a 40m high monopole and a 3 blade 13.5m radius rotor. Erect equipment room to serve turbine. Form hardcore access track.

## **Conclusion and Recommendation from Planning Official:**

Approval

## **Speaking rights:**

DEA Councillor H Reilly, on behalf of a group of objectors, objecting to the application.

## **Speaking rights:**

Brendan Quinn, Agent, in support of the application.

Councillor Clarke proposed and Councillor Ruane seconded to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2015/0248/F as per the information and recommendation in the Case Officer report presented to Committee which indicated that all Statutory Consultees were content with the application.

The proposal was put to a vote by way of a show of hands and voting was as follows:

FOR: 6 AGAINST: 2

The proposal was declared carried.

**AGREED:** On the proposal of Councillor Clarke seconded by

Councillor Ruane it was agreed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2015/0248/F as per

officer recommendation.

#### **FOR NOTING**

P/033/2018: PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING PERFORMANCE

**REPORT MARCH 2018** 

Read: Planning Committee Performance Report March 2018.

(Copy circulated)

AGREED: It was agreed to note the Planning Committee

**Performance Report March 2018.** 

P/034/2018: MEETINGS BETWEEN PLANNING OFFICERS AND

PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVES

Read: Record of Meetings between Planning Officers and Public

Representatives 2017-2018. (Copy circulated)

	Planning Officers and Public Representatives.
P/035/2018:	APPEALS & DECISIONS
Read:	Report re: Appeals and Decisions – March 2018. (Copy circulated)
AGREED:	It was agreed to note the Appeals and Decisions March 2018.
P/036/2018:	CONTACT FROM PUBLIC REPRESENTATIVES - 2 MARCH TO 30 MARCH 2018
Read:	Contact from Public Representatives from 2 March to 30 march 2018. <b>(Copy circulated)</b>
AGREED:	It was agreed to note the record of contact from Public Representatives from 2 March to 30 March 2018.
The Meeting concluded at 6.25pm	
For confirmation at the Planning Committee Meeting to be held on 9 May 2018.	
Signed:	Chairperson
Signed: Chief Executive	

It was agreed to note the record of Meeting between

AGREED: