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

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting of Newry, Mourne and Down District Council held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 10.00am in the Boardroom, District Council Offices, Monaghan Row, Newry

**Chairperson:** Councillor M Larkin

**Deputy Chairperson:** Councillor D McAteer

In attendance: (Committee Members)

Councillor C Casey Councillor W Clarke Councillor G Craig Councillor V Harte Councillor K Loughran Councillor J Macauley Councillor M Ruane

(Officials)

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

Ms N Largey Legal Advisor

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

P/023/2019: APOLOGIES AND CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

Apologies were received from Councillors Devlin and Murnin.

P/024/2019: DECLARATONS OF INTEREST

There were No Declarations of Interest received.

P/025/2019: DECLARATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PLANNING

**COMMITTEE PROTOCOL PARA. 19** 

MEMBER TO BE PRESENT FOR ENTIRE ITEM

Declarations in relation to Para.19 of Planning Committee Operating Protocol – Members to be present for entire item.

- **Item 6** LA07/2018/0758/0 Mr and Mrs Hickland new dwelling and detached garage lands approx. 50M south of 56 Crawfordstown Road, Drumaness Members who were present for the entire item and who could take part in the discussion/decision on this application were **Councillors Clarke**, **Devlin**, **Loughran**, **Larkin**, **McAteer and Macauley**.
- **Item 7 -** LA07/2017/1469/F change of house type to that approved under LA07/2016/1448/F (for replacement single storey dwelling, refurbished outbuilding for

storage purposes and detached carport for 2 cars) amended plans - 186 Killowen Road, Rostrevor - Members who were present for the entire item and who could take part in the discussion/decision on this application were **Councillors Casey**, **Clarke**, **Ruane**, **Harte**, **Larkin**, **McAteer**, **Loughran**, **Craig and Macauley** 

• Item 18 - LA07/2016/0408/F - erection of replacement dwelling house and garage as substitute for previously approved planning application P/2013/0764/F - 99 Windmill Road, Cranfield, Kilkeel - Members who were present for the entire item and who could take part in the discussion/decision on this application were Councillors Larkin, McAteer, Clarke, Devlin, Hanna, Harte, Loughran, Craig, Macauley, Murnin and Ruane.

Discussion took place regarding Item 6, LA07/2018/0758/O which, in the absence of Councillor Devlin, would result in a quorum not being present. Ms Largey referred to 20.7 of the Standing Orders saying this permitted the Chairman to use his discretion in exceptional circumstances to allow Members who had not been present for the entire item to take part in discussions/decision.

Members who had not been present for the entire item expressed their reluctance to take part in discussions/decision on Planning Application LA07/2018/0758/O.

After further discussion, the following was agreed:

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

Loughran it was agreed to defer Planning Application LA07/2018/0758/O until the April 2019 Planning Committee Meeting, and it was hoped all relevant Councillors would be

present to achieve a quorum.

## MINUTES FOR CONFIRMATION

P/026/2019: MINUTES OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON

**WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2019** 

Read: Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 13

February 2019. (Copy circulated)

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Macauley seconded by Councillor

Craig it was agreed to adopt the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 13 February 2019 as a

true and accurate record.

## FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION

**P/027/2019: ADDENDUM LIST** 

Read: Addendum List of Planning Applications with no representations received or

requests for speaking rights – Wednesday 13 March 2019. (Copy

circulated)

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Hanna seconded by Councillor

Macauley it was agreed <u>approve the Officer</u> recommendation in respect of the following applications listed on the Addendum List

for Wednesday 13 March 2019: -

- Item 11 LA07/2018/0470/F construction of a new 51 bedroom hotel to include conference facilities, a function suite, bars and restaurant, and a spa that houses a gym, fitness suite, swimming pool, changing rooms and treatment rooms 38 Belfast Road, Downpatrick. APPROVAL
- Item 13 LA07/2018/1500/F proposed new village play park Killough Car Park Quay Lane, Killough. APPROVAL
- Item 15 LA07/2019/0020/F amendment to planning application R/2014/0632/0 40 Flying Horse Road, Downpatrick. APPROVAL
- Item 18 LA07/2016/0408/F erection of replacement dwelling house and garage as substitute for previously approved planning application P/2013/0764/F – 99 Windmill Road, Cranfield, Kilkeel. APPROVAL
- Item 20 LA07/2018/1810/F new synthetic surface to existing 4 No. tennis courts; new bubble cover over 2 No. courts only; new pedestrian access from the west and new disabled access from the south – Our Lady's Grammar School, Chequer Hill, Newry. APPROVAL

# DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT - PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION

## P/028/2019: PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION

# (1) <u>LA07/2018/1238/F</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

## **Location:**

191 and 193 South Promenade, Newcastle

#### **Proposal:**

Conversion of 2 small dwellings to 1 dwelling unit with 2 storey rear extension, alteration to front elevation, replacement roof, internal alterations, reshape existing rear gardens, provision of walkway from dwelling to garden and formation of pedestrian access on to King Street – 191 and 193 South Promenade Newcastle.

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

Refusal

#### **Speaking Rights:**

Mr B Quinn, agent presented in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

# **Power-point presentation:**

Ms A McAlarney, Senior Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

#### **Issues raised:**

• Members considered the architectural integrity of the terrace had been substantially altered by modifications already undertaken on neighbouring properties in the terrace.

- Ms McAlarney acknowledged the modifications already made to the front facades of houses in the terrace, however, she said there had been no break in the eaves of the entire terrace.
- Ms McAlarney said while she accepted the dormer windows proposed, replicated those in the neighbouring Widows Row, she said this was a separate terrace and therefore did not have any bearing on the application before the Committee.

#### Agreed:

On the proposal of Councillor Ruane, seconded by Councillor Hanna it was unanimously agreed to agreed issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/1238/F contrary to officer recommendation on the basis that the integrity of the terrace had been substantially altered and the proposed application would enhance the appearance of the terrace.

It was also agreed that officers be delegated authority to impose any relevant conditions.

# (2) <u>LA07/2017/1469/F</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

(Councillor Hanna withdrew from the Meeting)

#### Location:

186 Killowen Road, Rostrevor

### **Proposal:**

Change of house type to that approved under LA07/2016/1448/F (For replacement single storey dwelling, refurbished outbuilding for storage purposes and detached carport for 2 cars)

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

Approval

#### **Speaking Rights:**

Matthew Crothers and Robert Dunlop, presented in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## **Power-point presentation:**

Mr P Rooney, Principal Planning Officer gave a power-point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

## **Issues Raised:**

• Mr Rooney advised the ridge height of the proposed outbuilding had been reduced in the most recent set of drawings and the maximum height was now 2.9 metres high.

## **AGREED:**

On the proposal of Councillor Casey seconded by Councillor McAteer it was unanimously agreed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1469/F as per the information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

# (3) <u>LA07/2016/0185/F</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

#### Location:

70m SE of 1 Rowallane Close, Saintfield.

### **Proposal:**

Proposed farm dwelling.

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

Approval

## **Speaking rights:**

Adrian Murray presented in objection to the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

# Speaking rights:

Andy Stephens, agent, presented in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## **Power-point presentation:**

Ms McAlarney, Senior Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

#### **Issues Raised:**

- Concern expressed that the access for the proposed farm dwelling was via the residential street of Rowallane Close.
- Ms McAlarney confirmed the construction of two houses had resulted in the original farm access being closed off.
- To explore an alternative access would require a new application.
- It would be difficult to attach any conditions regarding farm equipment using the access as the application was for a farm dwelling.
- It was not unusual for DFI Roads to have concerns regarding farm machinery accessing the road network, however they did not object to the proposed application.

Councillor Hanna proposed to accept the Officer's recommendation to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2016/0185/F, Councillor Macauley seconded the proposal.

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

FOR: 5
AGAINST: 1
ABSTENTIONS: 4

The proposal was declared carried.

## AGREED:

On the proposal of Councillor Hanna, seconded by Councillor Macauley it was agreed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2016/0185/F as per the information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

# (4) <u>LA07/2017/1458/F</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

#### Location:

150m west of 40 Ballyculter Road, Ballyalton, Downpatrick.

## **Proposal:**

Proposed woodland burial site to include new entrance to Ballyculter Road; vehicle parking and turning, extensive native species planting; new dry-stone walling and pedestrian pathway network.

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

Refusal

### **Speaking rights:**

Eugene Gallagher presented in objection to the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## Speaking rights:

Ronan Downey, agent, presented in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## **Power-point presentation:**

Ms McAlarney, Senior Planning Officer gave a power-point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

#### **Issues Raised:**

- Late information had been received from the applicant seeking to address concerns that had been raised by consultees.
- The area and topography were unsuitable for the proposed application in that it was a pristine rural area with small roads and the proposed site was an elevated sloping site which drained into the River Slaney, additionally there were historical cultural sites nearby.
- The proposed application was unique and the applicant was a 'not for profit' organisation.
- Delays in submitting requested information was due to both additional expenditure which had to considered by the organisation and being unable to access the field due to tenant farmer in situ.
- Applicant requested deferral to allow time for late information to be considered by Planning Officials.

Councillor Clarke proposed to defer Planning Application LA07/2017/1458/F to allow time for Planning Officials to consider the late information, Councillor Macauley seconded the proposal.

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

FOR: 8
AGAINST: 2
ABSTENTIONS: 0

The proposal was declared carried.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Clarke, seconded by Councillor Macauley it was agreed to defer Planning Application

# LA07/2017/1458/F to allow time for late information to be considered by Planning Officials.

(Break 11.40 - 11.50)

# (5) <u>LA07/2018/0001/0</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

# **Location:**

Site of former St Mary's Primary School (opposite and east of 1-15 Shan Slieve Drive and south of 32-38 Bryansford Road and 2-8 Tullybrannigan Road) and portion of Bryansford Road, Newcastle.

## **Proposal:**

Demolition of former school building, erection of food store and mountain rescue centre, provision of car parking and associated site works.

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

Approval

## Speaking rights:

ML Anderson, A Stephens, and SD McMullan on behalf of Dr M Rooney and Don Holdings Ltd, in objection to the application, detailing and expanding upon written statements that had been circulated to Committee Members.

# Speaking rights:

D Monaghan, agent, C Boyle, LIDL, N McCrickard and D Goddard, Mourne Mountain Rescue, T Cousings, Traffic Engineer in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members

#### **Power-point presentation:**

Ms McAlarney, Senior Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

#### **Issues Raised:**

- Concerns raised by objectors as to heavy traffic flow and said traffic calming measures, double yellow lines, improved road signs to aid visitors should be implemented.
- LIDL would be prepared to work with DFI Roads to address any traffic calming measures required.
- Considerable increase in traffic in the town from Easter through to the end of the Summer.
- Proposed pedestrian crossing would be hazardous and would compound traffic congestion at an already busy junction.
- A precedent would be set by permitting an out of town centre setting for the proposed development
- DFI Roads had no objections based on all the amendments received.
- The proposed application would mean a construction investment of £3m and 12 new jobs.
- The current accommodation for the Mourne Mountain Rescue team was unsuitable and proposed site would be beneficial for both the team and the local community in terms of its proximity to the Mourne Mountains for 'call outs'.
- The design of the entrance to the proposed development was in accordance with DFI Roads.
- Proposed development would have a negative impact on local residents, particularly at No.
   32 Bryansford Road.

- No other suitable sites available in the area.
- LIDL prepared to deviate from their corporate store image in the design of the proposed store taking into account the backdrop of the Mourne Mountains.
- LIDL confirmed a sub draining assessment conducted had shown no increased flooding impact.
- LIDL confirmed they had a management plan in place to eradicate the Japanese knotwood at the proposed site.
- Although Planning Officials acknowledged the proposed relocation of Mourne Mountain Rescue would be a benefit to the community, the application had been considered on planning merit only.
- The Members were made aware that although the Mourne Mountain Rescue team could be perceived as a community benefit, this could not be a material consideration in their determination.

Councillor Hanna proposed to defer Planning Application LA07/2018/0001/O to allow for a site visit to take place so that Members who were not familiar with the area could assess the proposed development site in more detail. Councillor Macauley seconded the proposal.

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

FOR: 2 AGAINST: 7 ABSTENSTIONS: 0

The proposal was declared lost.

Councillor Ruane proposed to accept the Officer's recommendation to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/0001/O, Councillor Craig seconded the proposal.

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

FOR: 8
AGAINST: 1
ABSTENTIONS: 1

The proposal was declared carried.

### **AGREED:**

On the proposal of Councillor Ruane seconded by Councillor Craig it was agreed issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/0001/O as per the information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

It was also agreed that residents' concerns regarding screening and traffic calming be taken on board.

# (6) <u>LA07/2018/1515/F</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

#### **Location:**

6 Kinedale Cottages, Ballynahinch.

#### **Proposal:**

First floor extension to existing garage to provide a single person home office.

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

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Matthew Murnin, agent presented in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## **Power-point presentation:**

Ms McAlarney, Senior Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

#### **Issues Raised:**

- No. 14 Kinedale Cottages had a similar extension to that proposed at No. 6, however, Planning Officials considered it was not comparable, as No. 14 was a corner plot and the extension was not visible from any aspect.
- Planning Officials considered the wall plate and eaves of the proposed extension did not respect the host dwelling.

Councillor Larkin proposed to accept the Officer's recommendation to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/1515/F, Councillor Ruane seconded the proposal.

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

FOR: 6
AGAINST: 0
ABSTENTIONS: 4

The proposal was declared carried.

AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Larkin seconded by Councillor Ruane it was agreed to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/1515/F as per the information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

(Lunch 1.pm - 1.50pm)

# (7) <u>LA07/2018/0015/F</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

## **Location:**

Between 20 and 22 Ulster Avenue, Annalong

## **Proposal:**

Proposed change of house type and integrated domestic garage (amended scheme)

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

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Andy Stephens, agent, in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

### **Power-point presentation:**

Mr P Rooney, Principal Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

## **Issues Raised:**

- Planning Officials considered the proposed design was not in keeping with the immediate area of Ulster Avenue.
- Mr Stephens referred to similar gable orientated buildings in the vicinity and said that an established area was a series of streets and therefore the decision should not be determined on one street but should include a series of streets.

#### **AGREED:**

On the proposal of Councillor Craig seconded by Councillor McAteer it was unanimously agreed to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/0015/F as per the information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

# (8) <u>LA07/2018/0650/F</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

#### Location:

45 Greenpark Road, Rostrevor

#### **Proposal:**

Proposed dwelling to the rear

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

Refusal

#### **Speaking rights:**

John Cole, agent presented in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## **Power-point presentation:**

Mr McKay, Chief Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

## **Issues Raised:**

• Site capable of accommodating a dwelling but not the proposed scale submitted.

#### **AGREED:**

On the proposal of Councillor Ruane seconded by Councillor Clarkeit was unanimously agreed to defer Planning Application LA07/2018/0650/F to allow for a site visit to take place so that Members could assess the site and proposed application in more detail.

# (9) <u>LA07/2017/1023/F</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

#### Location:

Lands at Ardmore Road, opposite 17-43 Ardmore Road and adjacent No. 2 Beechwood Villas, Newry

## **Proposal:**

Proposed development of 45 no. dwellings, comprising 8 no. apartments, 8 no. townhouses, 22 no. semi-detached houses and 7 no. detached houses, infilling and re-grading of lands, associated site works and landscaping.

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

Approval

## **Speaking rights:**

Joseph Burns presented in objection to the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## Speaking rights:

Lynsay Magill, Philip Hill & Mark Hardy, in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## **Power-point presentation:**

Mr P Rooney, Principal Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

#### **Issues Raised:**

- The proposed development was to be located outside the flood plain.
- All statutory agencies including Rivers Agency had no objections to the proposed development.
- All issues previously raised by objectors had been addressed by Planning Department and they were now satisfied the application complied with all relevant planning policies including design and flooding.
- The lower part of the site would be infilled, however this part of the site was outside the flood plain.
- The developer had taken a conservative approach and Members were advised the construction of the houses would only commence approximately one third up from the bottom of the field.
- Members were advised that local residents were satisfied with the proposed development on the assurance that the developer would not be developing the bottom of the field.
- The issue of traffic and access issues had been discussed at a residents meeting and Members were advised that a construction management plan included catering for site traffic parking within the confines of the site.
- The lower ground of the site would not be infilled so there would be no concerns regarding flooding up or downstream.
- It was acknowledged there was a housing crisis in Newry with a high demand for accessible homes.

Councillor Hanna proposed to accept the Officer's recommendation to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1023/F, Councillor Harte seconded the proposal.

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

FOR: 8
AGAINST: 1
ABSTENTIONS: 1

The proposal was declared carried.

#### AGREED:

On the proposal of Councillor Hanna, seconded by Councillor Harte it was agreed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1023/F as per the information and recommendation contained in the Case Officer report presented to Committee.

(Break 3.20pm – 3.30pm) Councillor Casey withdrew from the meeting at 3.20pm

# (10) <u>LA07/2017/1437/F</u> (Audio recorded – NO)

#### Location:

Lands 85m NW of junction of Blackrock Road and Teer Road, Crossmaglen

### Proposal:

Erection of dwelling and garage (amended dwelling design, siting of dwelling and garage and relocation of access approved under application P/2013/0820/F).

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

Refusal

#### **Speaking rights:**

Peter McNulty, Barney McKevitt and Stephen Hughes presented in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

# **Speaking rights:**

DEA Councillor Hearty presented in support of the application.

#### **Power-point presentation:**

Mr P Rooney, Principal Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

#### **Issues Raised:**

- Planning Officials considered the applicant had not adhered to policy with regard to commencing site work within the required timeframe.
- The applicant believed he had complied with all required regulations and had made a material start before 13 March 2015 by ensuring the road splays and vehicular access had been instated.

## **AGREED:**

On the proposal of Councillor Larkin seconded by Councillor Clarke it was unanimously agreed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2017/1437/F contrary to officer recommendation on the basis that site works had commenced within the required timeframe.

# (11) <u>LA07/2018/0753/F</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

#### Location:

Lands immediately to the north of Bessbrook Community Centre within 'The Pond Field' park at No. 8 Mill road, Bessbrook.

### **Proposal:**

Proposed new 'Sure Start' nursery building, with additional 3 No. parking spaces provided by extension of existing car park.

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

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Stephen Hughes, agent; Barney McKevitt and Brian and Olive Gallagher, presented in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## **Power-point presentation:**

Mr P Rooney, Principal Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

#### **Issues Raised:**

- Consultees Rivers Agency advised minor part of the site would be located within a
  predicted flood area, and Environmental Health had concerns regarding noise disturbance
  but both of these could be overcome by attaching a negative condition. Transport NI had
  concerns regarding road safety and intensification of use.
- An alternative safer route could be considered.
- Parking needed to be addressed.
- Further assessment and discussion was needed and DFI Roads would have to be involved.

#### **AGREED:**

On the proposal of Councillor Craig seconded by Councillor Ruane it was agreed to defer Planning Application LA07/2018/0753/F to allow further discussion regarding access and parking to take place with Planning Officials, DFI Roads and the Applicant.

# (12) <u>LA07/2018/1145/0</u> (Audio recorded – YES)

## Location:

Lands 22m north of 15 Corliss Road, Newry.

#### Proposal:

Proposed erection of detached dwelling (infill dwelling).

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

Refusal

## **Speaking rights:**

Patrick O'Reilly, agent, presented in support of the application, detailing and expanding upon a written statement that had been circulated to Committee Members.

## **Speaking rights:**

DEA Councillor Hearty presented in support of the application.

# **Power-point presentation:**

Mr P Rooney, Principal Planning Officer gave a power point presentation on the application with supporting information including a site location plan, an aerial view of the site and photographs from various critical views of the site.

### **Issues Raised:**

- Planning Officials did not consider the proposed application to be an infill opportunity as the land between No. 19 and the Corliss Road was overgrown and not used for domestic purposes.
- Both Mr O'Reilly and DEA Councillor Hearty acknowledged the house at No. 19 was set back from the road, however they said the owner fully intended to develop the land at the front into a garden.

Councillor Macauley proposed to accept the Planning Officer's recommendation to issue a refusal in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/1145/O, Councillor Craig seconded the proposal.

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

FOR: 3 AGAINST: 6

The proposal was declared lost.

Councillor Larkin proposed to offer an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/1145/O on the basis that he accepted there was a continuous build up with two houses and two garages and the rough ground to the front of No. 19 was a garden. Councillor Hanna seconded the proposal.

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 Larkin seconded by Councillor Hanna it was agreed to issue an approval in respect of Planning Application LA07/2018/1145/O contrary to Officer recommendation on the basis it was considered that the land to the front of No. 19 was a garden and therefore the proposed application represented an infill opportunity.

FOR NOTING

P/029/2019: **HISTORIC ACTION SHEET** Read: Planning historic action sheet. (Copy circulated) **AGREED:** It was unanimously agreed to note the Planning historic action sheet. PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING PERFORMANCE REPORT P/030/2019: **JANUARY 2019** Read: Planning Committee Performance Report January 2019. (Copy circulated) **AGREED:** It was agreed to note the Planning Committee Performance Report January 2019. MEETINGS BETWEEN PLANNING OFFICERS AND PUBLIC P/031/2019: **REPRESENTATIVES** Read: Record of Meetings between Planning Officers and Public Representatives 2018-2019. (Copy circulated) AGREED: It was agreed to note the record of Meeting between **Planning Officers and Public Representatives.** P/032/2019: **APPEALS & DECISIONS** Read: Report re: Appeals and Decisions – January 2019. (Copy circulated) AGREED: It was agreed to note the Appeals and Decisions January 2019. **HARD COPY AGENDAS** P/033/2019: Councillor Hanna said the quality of printed agendas was not acceptable and would need to be addressed. AGREED: On the proposal of Councillor Hanna seconded by Councillor Clarke it was agreed to refer the substandard quality of printed agendas to Mr Hannaway and to request that all future printed planning agendas were in colour print. The Meeting concluded at 4.20pm For confirmation at the Planning Committee Meeting to be held on Wednesday 10 March 2019. Signed: Chairperson

Signed: Chief Executive