## PLANNING COMMITTEE

# MEETING, 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL, 2021

Present – Councillors Walsh (Chairman), Ayub (Vice-Chairman), Allen, Connor, Haworth, Hornby, Mistry, Morgan, Newall (as deputy for Councillor Hayes), Peel, Radcliffe, Sanders, Sherrington, Watters (as deputy for Councillor Dean), Wilkinson and Wright.

Councillor Walsh in the Chair.

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Darvesh, Dean and Hayes.

### 43. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the proceedings of the meeting of the Committee held on 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

#### 44. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Under the approved delegation arrangements, the Committee considered certain applications, as set out in the report submitted by the Director of Place, for permission to undertake developments, in accordance with the Town and Country Planning Act.

The following Councillors declared interests in the undermentioned items of business:-

| Member of Council | Application<br>Number | Nature of Interest                                                                                                                                              |
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| Councillor Newall | 09526/20              | She declared an interest<br>in the application.<br>She then addressed the<br>Committee in her<br>capacity as a Ward<br>Councillor and then<br>withdrew from the |

| fi<br>p | meeting and took no<br>further part in the<br>proceedings on the<br>application. |
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Councillors Silvester and Brady, in their capacity as Ward Councillors, attended the meeting and spoke in respect of applications numbered 09801/20 and 08698/20.

Councillor Hayes, in his capacity as Ward Councillor, attended the meeting and spoke in respect of application numbered 10199/21

Councillors Warren and Newall, in their capacity as Ward Councillors, attended the meeting and spoke in respect of application numbered 09526/20

Members of the public addressed the Committee in relation to the following applications:

08698/20 09801/20 10199/21

Resolved - That the various planning applications submitted by the Director of Place be dealt with, as follows:-

| Application<br>Number | Proposal and<br>Location        | Decision                 |
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| 08698/21              | Retrospective<br>permission for | Refused.                 |
|                       | erection of offices and         | The proposed             |
|                       | extension to                    | development, by reason   |
|                       | maintenance sheds,              | of its scale and siting, |
|                       | formation of                    | represents inappropriate |
|                       | hardstanding and                | development within the   |
|                       | HGV parking and                 | Green Belt and the       |
|                       | wash areas together             | circumstances provided   |
|                       | with gas/petrol pump            | by the applicant are not |

|          | and stone retaining<br>walls on land to west<br>of Makinson Lane<br>between Montcliffe<br>and Pilkington<br>Quarries, Horwich     | considered to amount to<br>very special<br>circumstances. It is<br>therefore considered<br>that the proposed<br>development would<br>harm the purposes and<br>openness of the Green<br>Belt, contrary to Policy<br>CG7AP of Bolton's<br>Allocations Plan and<br>section 13 of the<br>National Planning Policy<br>Framework. |
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|          |                                                                                                                                   | A motion to refuse the application was moved and seconded.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|          |                                                                                                                                   | Members voting for refusal<br>of the application (14):<br>Councillors Ayub, Connor,<br>Haworth, Hornby, Mistry,<br>Morgan, Newall, Peel,<br>Radcliffe, Sanders,<br>Sherrington, Watters,<br>Wilkinson and Wright.                                                                                                           |
|          |                                                                                                                                   | Member abstaining (1):<br>Councillor Walsh                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| 09526/20 | Change of use from<br>C3 dwelling house to<br>C2 residential unit<br>(additional information<br>received) at 152<br>Brodick Drive | Not Approved.<br>1. By reason of it not<br>responding to local need<br>or demand, the proposal<br>would fail to comply with<br>Policy SC2 of Bolton's<br>Core Strategy in that it<br>would result in a                                                                                                                      |

|  | community facility not<br>located within the<br>neighbourhood that it<br>serves.<br>2. By reason of the<br>additional levels of<br>activity caused by the<br>arrival and departure of<br>staff and visitors, the<br>proposed use would<br>have a detrimental<br>impact on the living<br>conditions of nearby<br>residents and the<br>amenity of the<br>immediate area, contrary<br>to Policy CG4 of Bolton's<br>Core Strategy.<br>3. By reason of it<br>providing<br>accommodation for<br>children previously<br>residing outside of the<br>Borough, the proposal<br>would not represent<br>sustainable development<br>as it would not limit the<br>need for travel by staff<br>and other visitors,<br>contrary to paragraph<br>103 of the National |
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|  | 103 of the National<br>Planning Policy<br>Framework.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|  | A motion to approve the application, subject to conditions, was moved and seconded.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

|          |                                                                                                                                                                                     | Members voting for<br>approval of the application,<br>subject to conditions (6):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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|          |                                                                                                                                                                                     | Councillors Ayub,<br>Haworth, Mistry, Peel,<br>Sanders and Sherrington.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
|          |                                                                                                                                                                                     | Members voting against<br>approval of the application,<br>subject to conditions (7):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|          |                                                                                                                                                                                     | Councillors Connor,<br>Hornby, Morgan, Radcliffe,<br>Walsh, Watters and<br>Wright.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 09801/20 | Variation of condition<br>14 on planning<br>approval 97782/16<br>(introduction of an<br>additional access<br>to/from the site) at<br>Montcliffe Quarry,<br>Georges Lane,<br>Horwich | Deferred for further<br>information.<br>A motion to defer the<br>application for further<br>information was moved<br>and seconded.<br>Members voting for<br>deferral of the application<br>for further information (15):<br>Councillors Ayub, Connor,<br>Haworth, Hornby, Mistry,<br>Morgan, Newall, Peel,<br>Radcliffe, Sanders,<br>Sherrington, Walsh,<br>Watters, Wilkinson and<br>Wright. |
| 10199/21 | Retrospective<br>application for the                                                                                                                                                | Refused.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|          | erection of a raised                                                                                                                                                                | The proposed retained                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

|                               | patio and sun lounge<br>at rear of 158<br>Markland Hill Lane | extension and raised<br>patio would, by virtue of<br>their design, height and<br>siting be detrimental to<br>the living conditions of<br>neighbouring residents<br>at 1, 3 and 5 Ripon Drive<br>and 156 and 160<br>Markland Hill Lane by<br>virtue of increased<br>overlooking and reduced<br>privacy and is contrary<br>to Policy CG4 of Bolton's<br>Core Strategy and<br>contrary to guidance<br>contained within the<br>Supplementary Planning<br>Document - "House<br>Extensions" and<br>paragraph 127 (f) of the<br>National Planning Policy<br>Framework.<br>A motion to refuse the<br>application was moved<br>and seconded.<br>Members voting for refusal<br>of the application (15):<br>Councillors Ayub, Connor,<br>Haworth, Hornby, Mistry,<br>Morgan, Newall, Peel,<br>Radcliffe, Sanders,<br>Sherrington, Walsh,<br>Watters, Wilkinson and<br>Wright. |
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| Tree<br>Preservation<br>Order | Bolton (Land off<br>Brantwood Drive)<br>Tree Preservation    | Confirmed without modification.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |

| Order 2021 | A motion to confirm the<br>Tree Preservation Order<br>without modification was<br>moved and seconded.<br>Members voting for<br>confirmation of the Tree<br>Preservation Order without |
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|            | modification (14):<br>Councillors Ayub, Connor,<br>Haworth, Hornby, Mistry,<br>Morgan, Newall, Peel,<br>Radcliffe, Sanders,<br>Sherrington, Walsh,<br>Watters and Wright.             |

# 45. PLANNING APPEAL DECISIONS

The Director of Place submitted a report which informed the Committee of the outcome of various planning appeals between 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March, 2021.

Resolved – That the report be noted.

(The meeting started at 2.00pm and finished at 4.50pm)