

ANGUS COUNCIL

MINUTE of MEETING of the **DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar on Tuesday 5 January 2016 at 10.00 am.

Present: Councillors ROB MURRAY, BILL BOWLES, COLIN BROWN, LYNNE DEVINE, MAIRI EVANS, DAVID FAIRWEATHER, CRAIG FOTHERINGHAM, JEANETTE GAUL, ALEX KING, DAVID LUMGAIR and IAN McLAREN.

Councillor MURRAY, Convener, in the Chair.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillors Bill Duff and Bob Spink.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor McLaren declared an interest in item 9 as he was a close friend of the applicant. He indicated that he would not take part in any discussion and voting and would therefore leave the meeting during consideration of the item.

3. BUILDING WARRANTS

The Committee noted that during the period 16 November to 18 December 2015, a total of 77 Building Warrants, 3 Demolition Warrants and 15 Amendments to Warrant had been approved with an estimated cost of £10,410,526.

4. DELEGATED DECISIONS

The Committee noted that during the period 14 November to 12 December 2015, a total of 79 planning applications had been approved and 4 refused under the Scheme of Delegation to officers.

5. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of this Committee of 24 November 2015 was approved as a correct record and signed by the Convener.

6. APPOINTMENTS – DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Committee noted that Councillor Spink had resigned as a member of the Development Management Review Committee but, prior to consideration of the appointments, the Convener thanked Councillor Spink for all his hard work on the Development Management Review Committee. Councillor Gaul also gave a personal thanks to Councillor Spink for all his assistance in relation to the Review Committee.

Thereafter, the Committee agreed to appoint Councillor David Fairweather to the Development Management Review Committee and to appoint Councillor Bill Bowles as Vice-Convener.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

7. FORMER STRATHMARTINE HOSPITAL, STRATHMARTINE

There was submitted Report No 8/16 by the Head of Planning & Place detailing application No 13/00367/LBC for alterations and extensions to Strathmartine Hospital Administration Building and proposed demolition of northern extensions; alterations and extensions to the rear of two existing cottages to increase accommodation to two bedrooms each; and works to the Chapel of Rest as well as the demolition of unlisted hospital buildings within the curtilage of the listed building and demolition of the listed laundry building at the former Strathmartine Hospital, Strathmartine. The application was recommended for conditional approval.

Slides were shown.

The Committee agreed that the application be approved for the reasons and subject to the conditions as detailed in Section 10 of the Report.

8. BELLVIEW HOUSE, WOODVILLE, ARBROATH

There was submitted Report No 9/16 by the Head of Planning and Place detailing application No 15/00980/FULL for the conversion and extension to garage and outbuildings to form a cattery at Bellview House, Woodville, Arbroath. The application was recommended for conditional approval.

Slides were shown.

The Committee agreed that the application be approved for the reasons and subject to the conditions as detailed in Section 10 of the Report.

Having declared an interest at Article 2 above, Councillor McLaren left the meeting during consideration of the following item.

9. FIELD 100M WEST OF DUNNICHEN AVENUE, GOWNBANK, FORFAR

There was submitted Report No 10/16 by the Head of Planning and Place detailing application No 15/00402/FULL for the erection of five houses and creation of a vehicular access and associated works at Field 100m west of Dunnichen Avenue, Gowanbank, Forfar. The application was recommended for conditional approval.

Slides were shown following which officers responded to questions from Councillors King and Devine regarding public open space, ground levels and access tracks.

Thereafter, Mr Neil Clark, an objector, addressed the meeting.

The Committee agreed that the application be approved for the reasons and subject to the conditions as detailed in Section 9 of the Report.

10. ENFORCEMENT UPDATE

There was submitted and noted Report No 11/16 by the Head of Planning and Place advising members on the progress of enforcement cases which had been agreed previously by this Committee.