

## **ANGUS COUNCIL**

MINUTE of MEETING of the **DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS COMMITTEE** held in the Town and County Hall, Forfar, on Tuesday 21 April 2015 at 10.00 am.

**Present:** Councillors ROB MURRAY, BILL DUFF, BILL BOWLES, COLIN BROWN, LYNNE DEVINE, DAVID FAIRWEATHER, CRAIG FOTHERINGHAM, JEANETTE GAUL, ALEX KING, DAVID LUMGAIR, IAN MCLAREN and BOB SPINK.

Councillor MURRAY, Convener, in the Chair.

### **1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE**

An apology for absence was intimated on behalf of Councillor Mairi Evans.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/INTIMATIONS OF CONTACT**

Councillor Jeanette Gaul declared a non-financial interest in Article 6 (Report No 170/15) in that she had received e-mails from interested parties but had not responded to these. She indicated that she intended to participate in any discussion and voting.

Councillor Ian McLaren declared a non-financial interest in Article 6 (Report No 170/15) in that he had been contacted by constituents. He indicated that he intended to participate in any discussion and voting.

Councillor Craig Fotheringham declared a non-financial interest in Article 6 (Report No 170/15) in that he had received an e-mail from an objector but had made no comment or reply. He indicated that he intended to participate in any discussion and voting.

Councillor Colin Brown declared a non-financial interest in Article 6 (Report No 170/15) in that he had been contacted by interested parties but had made no comment. He indicated that he intended to participate in any discussion and voting.

Councillor Lynne Devine declared a non-financial interest in Article 6 (Report No 170/15) in that she had received an e-mail from an interested party. She indicated that she intended to participate in any discussion and voting.

### **3. BUILDING WARRANTS**

The Committee noted that, during the period 23 March 2015 to 10 April 2015, 45 Building Warrants, 2 Demolition Warrants and 8 Amendments to Warrants had been approved, with an estimated cost of £3,113,300.

### **4. DELEGATED DECISIONS**

The Committee noted that, during the period 21 March 2015 to 11 April 2015, 21 planning applications were approved and 4 refused under the Scheme of Delegation to officers.

### **5. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minute of meeting of this Committee of 31 March 2015 was submitted, approved as a correct record and signed by the Convener.

### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

### **6. LAND 500M WEST OF FORFAR ACADEMY, KIRRIEMUIR ROAD, FORFAR**

There was submitted Report No 170/15 by the Head of Planning and Place, detailing application No 13/01001/PPPM submitted in respect of the erection of approximately 300 houses with associated roads, landscaping and community facilities on land west of Forfar Academy, Kirriemuir Road, Forfar, for Elite Homes. The application was recommended for conditional approval, subject to a Section 75 Planning Obligation.

Slides were shown, following which officers responded to questions from Councillor Devine.

Mr Alex Taylor, Mrs Rae Allcorn and Mr Alec Smith, Objectors; and Ms Karen Clark, representing the Applicant, addressed the Committee.

Following a number of questions of the speakers and officers, the Committee agreed that the application be approved for the reasons, and subject to the conditions and planning obligations, detailed at Section 10 of the Report.

**7. 7, SUTTIESIDE ROAD, FORFAR**

There was submitted Report No 171/15 by the Head of Planning and Place, detailing planning application No 15/00094/FULL, submitted in respect of the erection of a dwellinghouse (Retrospective) for Mr D Stewart at 7 Suttieside Road, Forfar. The application was recommended for conditional approval.

Slides were shown, after which officers responded to questions from Councillor Bowles.

Mr Stewart, the Applicant, responded to a question from Councillor Devine.

The Committee agreed to approve the application for the reasons, and subject to the conditions, detailed at Section 10 of the Report.

**8. ENFORCEMENT UPDATE**

There was submitted Report No 172/15 by the Head of Planning and Place, updating members on the progress of Enforcement Cases which had been agreed previously by the Committee.

In particular, the Service Manager – Planning updated members on the situation regarding Strathmartine Hospital, following the recent fire damage to the structure.

The Committee agreed to note the contents of the Report.