Planning Committee

Thursday, 20th April, 2023

HYBRID MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Members present: Councillor Whyte (Chairperson);

Alderman Rodgers;

Councillors Bower, Carson,

Douglas, Garrett, Groogan, Hanvey, Hussey, Hutchinson, Maskey, Murphy and Spratt.

In attendance: Ms. K. Bentley, Director of Planning and Building Control;

Ms. N. Largey, City Solicitor;

Mr. K. Sutherland, Planning Manager; and Ms. C. Donnelly, Democratic Services Officer.

Apologies

No apologies for inability to attend were reported.

Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were reported.

Pre-emptive site visit requested for applications LA04/2021/1317/F
And LA04/1318/DCA Demolition of existing dwellings and erection
of two new dwellings and associated site works. Nos. 450 and
448 Lisburn Road Belfast BT9 7GX (site immediately adjacent
application LA04/2021/0691F Demolition of existing dwelling
and erection of new detached dwelling at 1D Malone Park,
which the Committee agreed to undertake a site visit for at its
meeting on 18 April 2023)

The Committee agreed to hold a pre-emptive site visit for the above applications.

Request for additional meeting of the Planning Committee

The Committee agreed to hold an additional meeting of the Committee in June, 2023.

Restricted Items

The information contained in the reports associated with the following two items is restricted in accordance with Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014.

Resolved – That the Committee agrees to exclude the members of the Press and public from the meeting during discussion of the following 2 items as, due to the nature of the item, there would be a disclosure of exempt information as described in Section 42(4) and Section 6 of the Local Government Act (Northern Ireland) 2014.

Local Development Plan (LDP) Plan Strategy Adoption

The Planning Manager provided the Committee with an update on the steps to adopt the Plan Strategy of the Local Development Plan and supporting documentation.

The Committee noted the update and the ongoing work towards formal adoption of the LDP Plan Strategy on 2nd May 2023.

Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG)

The Planning Manager provided the Committee with an update on the preparation of the Supplementary Planning Guidance (SPG).

He referred the Members to recent correspondence which had been received and highlighted concerns with regard to the Affordable Housing SPG and a detailed response which had been prepared by officers.

The Committee

- Noted the detailed response provided to Northern Ireland Federation of Housing Associations (IFHA) with regard to issues raised concerning the Affordable Housing Supplementary Planning Guidance:
- Noted the publication of the Intermediate Rent Policy by the Department for Communities; and
- Endorsed the Supplementary Planning Guidance to support the implementation of the final Plan Strategy.

Chairperson