

**FALKIRK COUNCIL**

**MINUTE of SPECIAL MEETING of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held in the MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, FALKIRK on MONDAY 29 SEPTEMBER 2014 at 2.15 P.M.**

**COUNCILLORS:**

Baillie William Buchanan (Convener)  
Steven Carleschi  
Colin Chalmers  
Adrian Mahoney  
Craig Martin  
John McLuckie  
John McNally  
Malcolm Nicol  
Alan Nimmo  
Baillie Joan Paterson  
Sandy Turner

**OFFICERS:**

Donald Campbell, Development Management  
Co-ordinator  
Ian Dryden, Development Manager  
Iain Henderson, Legal Services Manager  
Stuart Henderson, Environmental Health Officer  
Antonia Sobieraj, Committee Services Officer

**P64. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Cecil Meiklejohn.

**P65. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Baillie Paterson declared a non financial interest in item 3 (minute P66) by virtue of her partner being a member of the applicant company, in consequence of which she recused herself from consideration of the item, having regard to the objective test in the Code of Conduct.

Councillor McLuckie declared a non financial interest in item 3 (minute P66) by virtue of being a Director of the Falkirk Environment Trust which had given funding on a number of occasions to the applicant organisation, in consequence of which he recused himself from consideration of the item, having regard to the objective test in the Code of Conduct.

In accordance with their declarations of interest, Baillie Paterson and Councillor McLuckie left the meeting prior to consideration of the following item of business.

**P66. INSTALLATION OF A SINGLE WIND TURBINE, NEW ACCESS ROAD, HARDSTANDING, SUBSTATION BUILDING, TRANSFORMER HOUSING AND AREA FOR MICROSITING ON LAND TO THE SOUTH OF WESTERGLEN FARM, FALKIRK FOR BESPOKE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMPANY - P/14/0203/FUL (CONTINUATION)**

With reference to Minutes of Meetings of the Planning Committee held on 10 September 2014 (Paragraphs P55 refers), Committee gave further consideration to a report by the Director of Development Services on an application for full planning permission for the erection of a single wind turbine measuring 50 metres to hub and 79 metres to blade tip located on a site to the north of Greenrigg Farm on agricultural land accessed via an existing farm track off the B803 Falkirk to Slamannan Road and to the south of Westerglen Farm, Falkirk. The proposal also included a new access road, hardstanding, substation building, transformer housing and an area for micrositing.

Councillor Nicol, seconded by Councillor Carleschi, moved that Committee continue consideration of this item of business to allow a further inspection of the site by Committee to ensure that the location of the marker by the applicant for the proposed turbine was accurate in terms of positioning and height.

By way of an amendment, Councillor Chalmers, seconded by Councillor Turner, moved that the application be approved as detailed in the report.

On a division, 6 Members voted for the motion and 3 voted for the amendment.

**Decision**

**The Committee agreed to continue consideration of this item of business to allow a further inspection of the site by Committee to ensure that the location of the marker by the applicant for the proposed turbine was accurate in terms of positioning and height.**