

P69. Change of Use of Land to Private Garden Ground (Retrospective), Demolish Existing Dwelling and Outbuilding and Erection of Dwellinghouse and Domestic Garage at Hillroy, 18 Mannerston Holdings, Blackness, Linlithgow, EH49 7ND for Peter and Karen Mushet – P/19/0375/FUL

The committee considered a report by the Director of Development Services on an application for planning permission for the change of use of land to private garden ground (retrospective) demolish existing dwelling and outbuilding and erection of dwellinghouse and domestic garage at Hillroy, 18 Mannerston Holdings, Blackness, Linlithgow, EH49 7ND.

With reference to standing order 38.1 (x) the Convener referred to a request to be heard from Councillor Ann Ritchie in respect of this item. The Convener, having given his consent, then invited Councillor Ritchie to address the committee. With reference to Standing Order 33.2 the convener referred to a deputation request received from an objector, Mr Archibald, to be heard in relation to this item. The committee agreed to hear the deputation.

With reference to Standing Order 33.2 the convener referred to a deputation request received from the applicants' agent, Mr Smith, to be heard in relation to this item.

The committee agreed to hear the deputation.

Councillor Munro seconded by Councillor Grant moved that the committee agrees not to determine the application at this meeting but rather to continue consideration of the matter to a future meeting in order to allow the committee to undertake an unaccompanied site inspection at the development site.

As an amendment, Councillor Black seconded by Councillor Coombes moved that the committee agrees not to conduct an unaccompanied site inspection and to refuse the application for planning permission in accordance with the recommendations in the officer's report. Councillor Alexander gave notice of a further amendment.

In terms of Standing Order 22.1 a vote was taken by roll call, there being 11 members present with voting as undernoted:-

For the motion (8) – Provost Buchanan and Councillors Bissett, Blackwood, Bouse, Grant, Hughes, McCue and Munro.

For the amendment (2) – Councillors Black and Coombes.

Abstentions (1) – Councillor Alexander.

Decision

The committee agreed the motion that it not determine the application at this meeting but rather continue consideration of the matter to a future meeting in order to allow the committee to undertake an unaccompanied site inspection at the development site.

As a further amendment to be moved on the original motion, Councillor Alexander seconded by Councillor McCue moved that the committee agrees not to conduct an unaccompanied site inspection and, being satisfied in relation to matters of scale, visual amenity and impact on the surrounding area of the proposed development, to grant planning permission subject to conditions as determined by the Director of Development Services.

In terms of Standing Order 22.1 a vote was taken by roll call, there being 11 members present with voting as undernoted:-

For the motion (6) - Provost Buchanan and Councillors Bissett, Blackwood, Grant, Hughes and Munro.

For the further amendment (3) - Councillors Alexander, Bouse and McCue.

Abstention (2) – Councillors Black and Coombes.

Decision

The committee agreed the motion that it not determine the application at this meeting but rather continue consideration of the matter to a future meeting in order to allow the committee to undertake an unaccompanied site inspection at the development site.