

FALKIRK COUNCIL

MINUTE of SPECIAL MEETING of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held in the MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, FALKIRK on THURSDAY 9 JULY 2009 at 9.30 A.M.

PRESENT: Councillors Buchanan, H Constable, J Constable, Lemetti, J McLuckie, Mahoney, Nicol and Oliver.

CONVENER: Councillor Buchanan.

APOLOGY: Councillor McNeil.

ATTENDING: Director of Development Services; Acting Head of Planning and Transportation; Senior Planning Officer (J Milne); Roads Development Officer (C Russell); Legal Services Manager (C Moodie); Committee Officer (H Oliver) and Committee Services Assistant (S McGhee).

ALSO

ATTENDING: Ged Hailey, Ryden.

DECLARATIONS None
OF INTEREST:

P54. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC

RESOLVED in terms of Section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude from the meeting the press and public for the following items of business on the grounds that it would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 12 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the said Act.

P55. ERECTION OF 181 RESIDENTIAL UNITS AND ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE AND ROADWORKS AT DRUM FARM, GRAHAMSDYKE ROAD, BO'NESS, EH51 9SY FOR MACTAGGART & MICKEL LTD - P/07/0275/REM

With reference to Minutes of Meetings of the Regulatory Committee held on 30 January 2008, 27 February 2008 and 6 August 2008 (Paragraph R99, R115 and R48 refers) and of the Planning Committee held on 17 June 2009 (Paragraph P53 refers), Committee gave consideration to Report (circulated) dated 3 July 2009 by the Director of Development Services (a) referring to the decision of Committee held on 17 June 2009, (b) advising that the Scottish Government's Directorate of Planning and Environmental Appeals had refused the request to sist the appeal by letter dated 2 July 2009; (c) attaching, as an appendix to the Report, position statement received from Ged Hailey, Ryden dated 2 July 2009, and (d) outlining the options available to the Council in respect of the Appeal.

Councillor J Constable, seconded by Councillor H Constable moved that Council maintain its opposition to the Appeal by the developer.

By way of an amendment Councillor Nicol moved the following recommendation as an addition to the Motion:-

“To authorise Councillor J Constable to appear at the Appeal Hearing along with one or both of the Members from the Bo’ness area.”

Councillor J Constable, with the consent of Councillor H Constable, as seconder, agreed to alter the terms of the Motion to incorporate the amendment.

AGREED:-

- (1) That the Council maintain its opposition to the Appeal by the developer;
and
- (2) To authorise Councillor J Constable to appear at the Appeal Hearing along with the one or both of the Members from the Bo’ness area.