

# Kendal Town Council

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**Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on Monday, 5 February 2024, at 6.30 p.m., in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Highgate, Kendal.**

Cllr A Campbell	Present	Cllr H Ladhams (Vice-Chair)	Present
Cllr J Cornthwaite	Present	Cllr D Miles	Present
Cllr L Edwards	Present	Cllr D Rathbone (Chair)	Present
Cllr R Edwards	Present	Cllr G Supka	Present
Cllr A Finch	Present		

**In Attendance:** Chris Bagshaw (Town Clerk) and Inge Booth (Democratic Services Assistant).

## **P137/2023 Apologies**

There were no apologies for absence, all Members being present at the meeting.

## **P138/2023 Declarations of Interest**

No declarations of interest were raised under this item.

## **P139/2023 Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)**

There were no excluded items on the agenda.

## **P140/2023 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

Attention was drawn to an error in date within the minutes and to the fact that this had been corrected within the hard copy due to be signed by the Chair.

**Resolved:** To receive and accept the minutes of the previous meeting of the Planning Committee held on 22 January 2024 and to authorise the Chair to sign them as a true record.

## **P141/2023 Minute Action Sheet**

The agenda included a report on actions taken by officers on resolutions or recommendations made at previous meetings. Attention was drawn to item reference 1 regarding Planning training for Members. Members were reminded that individual sessions were available through CALC and to contact the Town Clerk should they be interested in attending.

**Resolved:** To note the actions taken by officers on resolutions or recommendations made at previous meetings.

## **P142/2023 Planning Process and Issues**

The Chair and Town Clerk drew Members' attention to a recent advert relating to commercial development land east of Burton Road, Kendal, seeking offers in excess of £1. The

Committee was reminded that the Town Council had, last year, made a submission in relation to the current Land Allocation consultation, and that this had included an indication of the Council's opposition to development on this particular land. The Town Council had made it clear that it wished for this land to remain a green belt between Oxenholme and Kendal, alongside the railway line, and for it to remain a green space with, for example, parkland or low-level sport activity.

**Resolved:** To note the verbal update.

#### **P143/2023 Kendal Town Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group**

Cllr J Cornthwaite, Chair of the Kendal Town Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group, reported that the Group had met on 23 January 2024 in the new Flood Hub at Beezon Road Industrial Estate. Discussed had been a couple of recent near miss high river levels. The Environment Agency were due to discuss with Housing Association residents who owned their properties how to assess their own property level. Also discussed had been the fountain on Aynam Road and its relocation to Abbot Hall. The Environment Agency was also now actively seeking new or additional flood storage areas. Cllr Cornthwaite lastly referred to the opening of the new glass panels at Gooseholme, at which the Area Flood Manager for Cumbria and Lancashire, Richard Knight, who was in charge of the scheme, had been present. Notes of the meeting would be included within the agenda for the next meeting of the Planning Committee. The next meeting of the Group would be due to take place on 21 March 2024.

In response to a query, the Town Clerk advised Members that the Environment Agency, who owned and controlled the floodgates, had explained that those gates which had already been installed could not be used until the scheme was complete in its entirety, as closing them at this stage could have a negative impact on other areas.

**Resolved:** To note the verbal update.

#### **P144/2023 Planning Applications**

The Committee considered the Planning Applications as detailed in Appendix 1 to these minutes.

**Resolved:** To submit the recommendations in Appendix 1 to these minutes to the Planning Authority.

The meeting closed at 7.15 p.m.

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 Responses from Planning Committee: 5 February 2024  
**Appendix 1**

No.	App No./Type	Address/Proposed Development	Parish Ward	Comments to SLDC	Observations/Recommendations
1	<a href="#">2024/0015/FPA</a>	<b>2 Brookdale Oxenholme Road Kendal LA9 7NJ</b> Garage conversion and replacement porch	Oxenholme	5 February	<b>No Material Objections</b> provided that the proposal is not deemed to be overlooking in accordance with the neighbour comments from 6 Carrock Close.
2	<a href="#">2024/0022/FPA</a>	<b>Riverside Hotel Beeson Road Kendal LA9 6FS</b> Proposed entrance canopy and alterations to pavement	Mintsfeet	5 February	<b>Recommend Refusal.</b> Whilst the Council would look favourably on the canopy in theory, subject to the comments of the Conservation Officer being taken into account, it is opposed to the proposal to appropriate the pavement outside of the entrance and the erection of a barrier at the edge of the pavement. The Council would seek constructive redesign options in this respect. This objection is based on an apparent proposed private alteration to the highway by reducing the footway, and building a new restriction into the public realm. It would restrict an access that is used to enable foot passage along the river, which is not otherwise possible by the river bank.

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3	<a href="#">2024/0025/ADV</a>	<b>Pizza Express 6 Wainwrights Yard Kendal LA9 4DP</b> Installation of 1 set of halo illuminated fascia text & 1 externally illuminated projection sign	Fell	5 February	<b>No Material Objections</b> subject to the lighting being in line with Kendal Town Council's Dark Skies Policy and that the lights are lit during business opening times only. The Town Council commends proposed use of downlighting.
4	<a href="#">2024/0044/FPA</a>	<b>Radiology CT &amp; MRI Westmorland General Hospital Burton Road Kendal LA9 7RG</b> 6 x 360L bins, Bin Store 3.5m x 2.7m with security mesh fencing and SHS post & a new timber fence around knockout panel to MRI	Oxenholme	6 February	<b>No Material Objections</b>
5	<a href="#">2024/0092/FPA</a>	<b>39 Empsom Road Kendal LA9 5PR</b> Two storey side extension & single storey front & rear extensions	Strickland	14 February	<b>No Material Objections</b> subject to the net biodiversity gain items listed within the application being a condition of approval.