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Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on Monday, 15 May 2023, at 6.30 p.m., in the Council Chamber at the Town Hall, Highgate, Kendal.

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

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

P1/2023 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs A Campbell, A Finch and D Miles.

P2/2023 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were raised.

P3/2023 Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

No issues were considered for exclusion.

P4/2023 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolved: To receive and accept the minutes of the previous meeting of the Planning Committee held on 2 May 2023 and to authorise the Chair to sign them as a true record.

P5/2023 Minute Action Sheet

The Committee considered a report on actions taken by officers on resolutions or recommendations made at previous meetings.

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

P6/2023 Planning Process and Issues

The Chair drew Members' attention to the fact that Westmorland and Furness Council's Development Control Committee would now be considering all planning applications which were recommended for refusal by town and parish councils.

Resolved: To note the verbal update.

P7/2023 Kendal Town Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group

Cllr J Cornthwaite, Chair of the Kendal Town Council Flood Relief Scheme Working Group, reminded Members that the next meeting of the Group would be held virtually, commencing at 6.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 14 June 2023. He referred to recent conservations which were being pursued with the Environment Agency with regard to the Beezon Fields gap and the potential additional floodgate at Little Aynam. Cllr Cornthwaite reported that current works were going well.

Resolved: To note the verbal update.

P8/2023 Planning Applications

The Committee considered the Planning Applications shown 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 6.52 p.m.

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Responses from Planning Committee: 15 May 2023

Appendix 1

No.	App No./Type	Address/Proposed Development	Parish Ward	Comments to SLDC	Observations/Recommendations
1	SL/2023/0334	Electricity North West Limited Depot, Parkside Road, Kendal Removal of existing asbestos cement pitched roof and replaced with new insulated metal pitched roof to the stores building and garage building, increasing the ridge heights approx. 350mm & removal of upper floor glazing on stores elevation facing Parkside Road (north elevation) and replaced with metal cladding	Castle / Kirkland	17 May	No Material Objections
2	SL/2023/0320	Ground, 4 A High Tenterfell, Kendal Replacement of 11 windows and 2 doors with UPVC	Fell	17 May	Recommend Refusal on the grounds that the proposal would have a detrimental impact on the visual amenity of the area, particularly on what is a very visible location on the corner of a main route. This is due to the design of the windows, as outlined in the application, not being in keeping with the area.

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3	SL/2023/0342	7 Castle Riggs, Kendal Single storey side extension & internal alterations to kitchen	Castle	17 May	No Material Objections based on the application as given, however, no agreement to be made without confirmation of provision for net biodiversity gain of at least 10% as required by DM4 and, ideally, the Committee would suggest the inclusion of, for example, a grassed roof.

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4	SL/2023/0349	35-55 Finkle Street, Kendal Change of use of part of 1st floor of former retail and retail storage & ancillary accommodation (Use class E) to 2 flats (Use class C3)	Fell	19 May	 No Material Objections in principle provided that:- The flats are within the nationally described space standards (gross internal areas) for minimum floor dimensions. There is adequate separation distance in design. The necessary details are provided in relation to the visual impact of windows and balconies to conform to quality of design and materials within the Kendal Conservation Area, as a nondesignated heritage asset. The design is sufficient for sustainable development and it provides a suitable standard of amenity for users with good design (policy and guidance based). It is further felt that the combined impacts of this development, details of which this Committee is not aware, should be looked at as well as this individual application.
5	SL/2023/0354	Bottom flat 5 Mint Street, Kendal Single storey rear extension	Mintsfeet	19 May	No Material Objections subject to provision for net biodiversity gain of at least 10% as required by DM4.