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Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held on Monday, 1 August 2022, at 6.33 p.m., in the Town Hall, Kendal.

Cllr A Campbell	Absent	Cllr H Ladhams (Vice-Chair)	Present
Cllr J Cornthwaite	Apologies	Cllr D Miles	Present
Cllr L Edwards	Present	Cllr D Rathbone (Chair)	Present
Cllr D Evans	Apologies	One vacancy	

In Attendance: Inge Booth (Democratic Services Assistant)

P37/2022 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs J Cornthwaite and D Evans.

P38/2022 Declarations of Interest

Cllr L Edwards declared an Other Registrable Interest in Minute No.P43/2022 (Planning Application No.SL/2022/0668 below and at Appendix 1 to these minutes by virtue of the fact that she was Chair of the Kendal Flood Action Group and had previously expressed support for the application.

P39/2022 Exclusion of Press and Public (Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960)

No issues were considered for exclusion.

P40/2022 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Resolved: To receive and accept the minutes of the previous meeting of the Planning Committee held on 18 July 2022 and to authorise the Chairman to sign them as a true record.

P41/2022 Planning Process and Issues

Cllr D Rathbone, Chair, informed the Committee that both he and the Council's Development and Delivery Manager had been examining the Local Plan with strong support for setting higher local energy efficiency standards than those proposed by Government and the aim of seeking inclusion of a requirement for developers to increase the amount of those standards and options provided in new builds, with a minimum standard to be met."

Development Services had indicated that they were looking at this aspect and were aware of other councils which were proposing something similar, and so were trying to source examples of best practice from them as well as case law examples. The Local Plan would be out for public consultation in October.

Resolved: To note the verbal update.

P42/2022 Flood Scheme Working Group

In the absence of Cllr J Cornthwaite, Chair of the Flood Scheme Working Group, the Chair reported that there had been no meetings of the Group since the last meeting of the Planning Committee. He drew to Members' attention, however, the fact that SL/2022/0163 - Kendal Flood Relief Management Scheme Phase 1 had been approved by South Lakeland District Council on 29 July 2022. The Chair felt that the Town Council Planning Committee Members would welcome this news, commend the design and look forward to work commencing. The Committee expressed thanks to all members of the Flood Scheme Working Group and their supporters.

Resolved: To note the verbal update.

P43/2022 Planning Applications

Note - Cllr L Edwards declared an Other Registrable Interest in this item regarding Planning Application No.SL/2022/0668 by virtue of the fact that she was Chair of the Kendal Flood Action Group and had previously expressed support for the application. Cllr Edwards left the room during the discussion and voting thereon and for the remainder of the meeting.

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 6.58 p.m.

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Responses from Planning Committee: 1 August 2022

Appendix 1

No.	App No./Type	Address/Proposed Development	Parish Ward	Comments to SLDC	Observations/Recommendations
1	SL/2022/0571	12 Rosemary Hill, KENDAL New window opening 900mm / 600mm in the gable end wall	Fell	5 August	No Material Objection
2	SL/2022/0655	Windyridge, 19 Gillinggate, KENDAL Replacement windows and door, new windows and door to enclose porch and new roof over front bay window	Highgate	5 August	No Material Objection provided that the materials used are as stated within the Heritage Statement.
3	SL/2022/0657	37 Empsom Road, KENDAL First floor side extension & single storey front & rear extensions	Strickland	10 August	No Material Objection provided that there is no overlooking and that sufficient provision for biodiversity net gain is made. In addition, the footpath must be retained as outlined by Cumbria County Council.

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4	SL/2022/0663	6 Gilthwaiterigg Lane, KENDAL Porch extension, replacement of Juliet balcony with window, window replacement & installation of solar panels to south elevation	Mintsfeet	11 August	Whilst the Committee commended the principle of installation of solar panels, Members felt that the plans required amending to ensure that the panels did not adversely impinge on the visual amenity of the area. The Committee objected to the panels due to the number and their obtrusive colour, as well as the fact that no specific description of them was provided. The Committee therefore also awaited Highways comments in this regard. No Material Objection in relation to the porch extension, replacement of Juliet balcony with window and window replacement, however, recommend Refusal of solar panels to south elevation.

No.	App No./Type	Address/Proposed Development	Parish Ward	Comments to SLDC	Observations/Recommendations
5	SL/2022/0668	Land adjacent to River Kent at Stockbeck and Gooseholme Park, KENDAL Full Application for design changes to approved Phase 1 Kendal Linear Defences Scheme Ref: SL/2018/0925 to include construction of new pumping station including underground infrastructure, demolition of existing kiosk, erection of Motor Control Centre and electricity substation, linear defences	Mintsfeet	20 August	Note - Cllr L Edwards declared an Other Registrable Interest in this Planning Application by virtue of the fact that she was Chair of the Kendal Flood Action Group and had previously expressed support for the application. Cllr Edwards left the room during the discussion and voting on this application and for the remainder of the meeting.
		in Reach F4, new outfall to River Kent and new hardstanding areas and			The Committee felt pleased to see a net increase on the site of 25 trees.
		associated landscaping areas incorporating SUDs within Gooseholme Park			No Material Objection provided that:-
					(1) the footpath is retained as outlined by Cumbria County Council;
					(2) an archaeological watching brief is maintained;
					(3) tree paling protection is improved, as requested;
					(4) biodiversity tree and bush planting regime is to be supplied to ensure long term biodiversity net gain is sustained; and
					(5) the Arboriculturalist's report is adhered to.