

# KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL

## Planning Committee

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at 6.30 p.m.

in the SLDC Chairman's Room the Town Hall, Kendal

- PRESENT** Councillors Douglas Rathbone (Chair & Deputy Mayor) Jonathan Cornthwaite (Vice Chair) Dave Miles, Michele Miles, Chris Rowley, Helen Ladhams, Pat Gibson & Graham Vincent.
- APOLOGIES** None
- OFFICERS** Rose Tideswell (Temporary Council Secretary)
- 455/19/20 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
None
- 456/19/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**  
All the Councillors declared an interest in Planning Application No. 3 Kendal Town Hall, Internal refurbishment as Town Councillors. Cllr D. Rathbone & H. Ladhams are SLDC councillors. Cllr G Vincent as a former member of SLDC Cabinet. Cllr J. Cornthwaite declared an interest in planning applications 1 FPA [0798](#) & 2 Advertisement [0799](#) as he knows the owners.
- 457/19/20 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019**  
  
Members considered the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.  
  
Councillor P. Gibson proposed that the minutes be accepted as a correct record. This was seconded by Councillor H. Ladhams and carried with one abstention.
- RESOLVED** That the minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 be accepted as a correct record, and signed by the Chair.
- 458/19/20 MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THE AGENDA**  
  
None
- 459/19/20 KENDAL TOWN COUNCIL FLOOD RELIEF SCHEME WORKING GROUP**  
  
Councillor Cornthwaite informed the committee that he would be updating the Management Committee following this meeting on the sub group's progress. The minutes from the three previous meetings would be available for the next planning committee.

**460/19/20 PROJECTING SIGN ON THE CORNER OF STRICKLANDGATE AND SANDES AVENUE**

After a brief discussion and committee agreement, it was proposed by Cllr. Rathbone, seconded by Cllr. Ladhams, and passed unanimously that the chair Councillor D. Rathbone be given the authority to take action and enquire that the correct planning consent has been given for the illuminated TV-screen signage, on the corner of Stricklandgate and Sandes Avenue. As it does not appear to be the case. Residents have made various comments to the committee as to the potential danger to road users.

**461/19/20 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**462/19/20 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members considered Planning Applications submitted for consultation purposes by the local planning authority, South Lakeland District Council.

**RESOLVED** That having considered the applications outlined in the schedule, the recommendations in Appendix I attached to these minutes be made to South Lakeland District Council.

The meeting ended at 7.30 p.m.

Signed .....

Dated .....

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Applications for Planning Committee: 21<sup>st</sup> October 2019

Appendix 1

No.	App No./ Type	Address/ Proposed Development	Comments To SLDC	Observations/ Recommendations
1	FPA <a href="#">0798</a>	<b>Atlantis Kitchens, Station Yard, Station Road, Kendal</b> Replacement shopfront and windows and the installation of 2 windows to rear	24.10.2019	<b>No Objections</b>  The committee positively endorses the inclusion of Swift boxes to this application
2	Advertisement <a href="#">0799</a>	<b>Atlantis Kitchens, Station Yard, Station Road, Kendal</b> Installation of 1 illuminated and 1 non-illuminated fascia signs	24.10.2019	<b>No Objections</b>  The committee was disappointed at the 24hrs nature of the illuminated signage
3	FPA <a href="#">0800</a>	<b>Kendal Town Hall, Highgate, Kendal</b> Internal refurbishment	24.10.2019	<b>Objections</b>  The committee has various heritage centred objections to this application. See notes below.
4	FPA <a href="#">0811</a>	<b>Unit 15, Westmorland Shopping Centre, Kendal</b> Change of use of retail unit (Use Class A1) to dental surgery (Use Class D1)	29.10.2019	<b>No Objections</b>
5	FPA <a href="#">0806</a>	<b>37 Market Place, Kendal</b> Change of use of former estate agent office (Use Class A2) to café (Use Class A3)	29.10.2019	<b>No Objections</b>

6	FPA <a href="#">0814</a>	<b>12 Aldercroft, Kendal</b> Two storey rear extension (Revised scheme SL/2019/0374)	29.10.2019	<b>No Objections</b>  Given no loss of privacy to neighbours and notwithstanding the previous refusal of planning permission by SLDC, officers. The committee positively endorses the inclusion of Swift boxes to this application
7	FPA <a href="#">0813</a>	<b>154 Vicarage Drive, Kendal</b> First floor extension over existing garage and utility room	29.10.2019	<b>No Objections</b>  The committee positively endorses the inclusion of Swift boxes to this application
8	FPA <a href="#">0819</a>	<b>16 Wordsworth Drive, Kendal</b> Demolition of garage and erection of single storey extension	04.11.2019	<b>No Objections</b>

### Item 3) FPA 0800 Comments: - Kendal Town Hall, Highgate, Kendal - Internal refurbishment

The committee felt the needs of updating the Kendal Town Hall building whilst retaining its historic heritage and bringing its usage up to date does not require all of the changes planned. The heritage objections raised are as follows.

1. The Main Grand Entrance Staircases: the uniqueness of the existing staircases the sweep and non-linear uniqueness should not be lost.
2. The Bindloss Room: loss of character, despite the agreed aims of increasing public usage. Is unnecessary modernisation, including the change of colour scheme.
3. The SLDC Council Chamber: loss of historic and heritage value, for little gain.
4. The committee looked with disappointment at the lack of positive action on sustainability development in this application, referring positively to policy **DM1** of the local plan item **2.1**, which requires “that all development should be of a satisfactory standard in terms of securing high quality sustainability design”. SLDC should take the lead in this given both its declared Climate Emergency and landmark nature of this development.