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Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held at Church House on Monday 17 June 2024 at 7.10pm in Church House, 7 High Market Place, Kirkbymoorside, YO62 6AT.

Present: Councillors J Coughlan (Chair), C Dowie, J Illingworth (arrived at 7.16pm), A Moffat and H Shields.

Also present: Town Clerk L Bolland and 2 members of the public

Cllr Coughlan welcomed all present.

P24001 Agenda item 1. Apologies for absence

- a. Apologies for absence given in advance of the meeting were **received** from Cllrs Riby and Woodhams.
- b. Reasons given for absence were **approved**.

P24002 Agenda item 2. There were no Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda.

P24003 Agenda item 3. Minutes and Matters Arising

- a. It was **noted** that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting on 19 February 2024 were received and approved at the Ordinary meeting dated 18 March 2024.
- b. There were no matters arising.

P24004 Agenda item 4. Public Session

A member of the public asked if there could be a residency criteria for assignment of affordable housing, in order to support the provision of affordable housing locally and to ensure that local applicants are prioritised.

Cllr Coughlan explained that North Yorkshire Council is the authority responsible for assignment and management of social housing and planning matters. He proposed the Town Council make representation to North Yorkshire Council requesting clarification of the criteria for the allocation of affordable housing. **Agreed.**

P24005 Agenda item 5. The views of the Council on change of use of properties and any associated impact on the town, pursuant to Minute P23053 dated 15 January 2024, were **considered**.

Cllr Dowie expressed the importance of retaining businesses within the town and the necessity to support local businesses. However, if a business is not viable it is practical for the owner to apply for a change of status in order to best utilise the property. This is preferable to premises being vacant.

It would be ideal for businesses to be supported in order to avoid the necessity to change the use of the property.

Cllr Illingworth reinforced the importance of supporting local businesses and encouraging locals and visitors to utilise all the services available in the town. The Town Council and Environment Group are continue to promote and encourage support of the local businesses,

most recently with the circulation of a shopping leaflet and details of the local shopping guide in the Moorsider.

P24006 Agenda item 6. Planning Applications

- a. ZE24/00418/FUL
 - I. The Town Council's observations, submitted to the Planning Authority pursuant to consideration at the annual meeting dated 20 May 2024, Minute 24010, were **noted**.
 - II. The procedural issue concerning Planning Application ZE24/00418/FUL was **noted**.
- b. Planning Application ZE24/00512/CAT | Fell Beech due to honey fungus | The Grange Church Street Kirkbymoorside YO62 6AZ was **considered** with no observations recorded.

P24007 Agenda item 7. Approval of Planning Decision 23/00196/MOUT | Outline application for the erection of 19 no. dwellings with associated highways and drainage works - access, scale and layout to be considered (site area 0.89 ha) | Land At Keld Head Road Keld Head Road Kirkbymoorside was **noted**.

P24008 Agenda item 8. Questions to the Chair

A member of the public raised concern about the increase in local crime since completion of the Manor Woods development and attributed this to the allocation of social housing to individuals not local to Kirkbymoorside. They asked if this correlation would be sufficient to demonstrate the need to allocate housing to local applicants.

Cllr Dowie proposed inviting the Police Officer appointed to the Kirbymoorside area to the next Town Council meeting to provide an update on local policing issues. **Agreed.**

Cllr Coughlan commented that he was aware of a spate of petty crimes locally and stressed the importance that all incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour are reported to the police via 101, or 999 if the crime is in progress, in order that the police have a clear picture of issues affecting the area.

P24009 Agenda item 9. The date of the next Planning Committee meeting on 15 July 2024 in Church House was **agreed**.

The meeting concluded at 7.26pm