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GATESHEAD METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, 8 September 2021

PRESENT: Councillor B Goldsworthy (Chair)

Councillor(s): Anderson, D Burnett, S Dickie, A Geddes, L Kirton, K McCartney, E McMaster, C Ord, I Patterson, R Waugh, A Wheeler, K Wood, J Turner, H Weatherley, R Beadle and J Mohammed

APOLOGIES: Councillor(s): L Caffrey, K Ferdinand, M Hall, R Oxberry, J Turnbull and J Green

PD632 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 August 2021 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

PD633 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

PD634 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- RESOLVED:**
- i) That the full planning applications and outline applications specified in the appendix to these minutes be granted, refused or referred to the Department for Communities and Local Government or deferred as indicated subject to the conditions, if any, as specified therein and to any other appropriate conditions of a routine or standard nature.
 - ii) That the applications granted in accordance with delegated powers be noted.

PD635 ENFORCEMENT TEAM ACTIVITY

The Committee received a report informing them of Enforcement Activity between the period 28 July 2021 to 25 August 2021.

The enforcement team has received 125 new service requests 87 cases have been

resolved.

The enforcement team have attended no court hearings during this period.

RESOLVED - that the information be noted.

PD636 ENFORCEMENT ACTION

Consideration was given to a report that informed of the progress of enforcement action previously authorised by the Committee.

RESOLVED: That the information be noted.

PD637 PLANNING APPEALS

The Committee were advised of new appeals received and to report the decisions of the Secretary of State during the report period.

The Committee were advised that since the last Committee there has been one new appeal lodged.

The Committee were advised that since the last Committee there have been two new appeal decisions received.

The Committee were advised that there have been no appeal cost decisions.

RESOLVED - that the information be noted

PD638 PLANNING OBLIGATIONS

The Committee were advised of the completion of Planning Obligations which have previously been authorised.

Since the last Committee there have been no new planning obligations.

Since the last Committee there have been no new payments received in respect of planning obligations.

RESOLVED - that the information be noted

Chair.....

Date of Committee: 8 September 2021

Application Number and Address:

DC/21/00752/ADV
Eighton Lodge
Low Eighton
Harlow Green
Gateshead
NE9 7UB

Applicant:

Mr David Dryden

Proposal:

Display of 3 externally illuminated and 2 non-illuminated signs (amended plans received 24.08.21 and 02.09.21)

Declarations of Interest:

Name	Nature of Interest
None	None

List of speakers and details of any additional information submitted:

Lynda Tait spoke in objection to the application

Barbara McGovern spoke in objection to the application.

Reason for Minor Update:

Amended Plan (Sign 4) and Further Representations

The agent has provided an updated site location plan (02.09.21), repositioning sign 4. Sign 4, has been set back off the junction at Long Bank, so that it is now located outside of the extent of the adopted highway. The size and appearance of the sign will remain the same.

Therefore, an update is required for the informative wording (NB this not included in the agenda report) to refer to the revised plans.

REPRESENTATIONS

In response to the objections raised, as outlined in section 3 of the main agenda, the agent has provided the following responses.

- **out of character** - The additional signs proposed are similar to what has been in place for a number of years & are not out of character
- **loss of view** - The signs do not block any significant views
- **noise and disturbance** - They will be no more noise or disturbance as a result of providing signage to the care home.

- **loss of trees** - No trees will be lost as a result of providing the signs.
- **size and scale of signage excessive** - The signs are not excessive in size.
- **Hamlet turned into mini-commercial site** - The signage will not turn the site into a mini commercial site it will remain as it has been for many years as a rural site.
- **clinical look of signs** - The signs are of a standard type used in all care homes.
- **restricted views for traffic** - The signs locations conform to the Council's Highway Standards & do not restrict any views & visibility.
- **highway and pedestrian safety** - The signs conform to the Council's Highway Standards & do not restrict any views & visibility.
- **additional traffic** - The signs will not create any addition traffic but simply direct families/visitors who wish to visit the care home
- **not enough space for adequate turning on private access** - Not Applicable to the proposed new signs application
- **use of private road for access to care home** - The access road is a public right of way as per the Council's highways plan.
- **no right of access to private road** - The access road is a public right of way as per the Council's highways plan.
- **private road use and maintenance for residents** - The Care Home has legal rights of access & the signage proposed does not affect or have any material significance to this application

Any additional comments on application/decision:

The application was deferred for a site visit.