

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Members Present:

6 December 2016

Chairperson: Councillor R.G.Jones

Vice Chairperson: Councillor E.E.Jones

Councillors: D.W.Davies, Mrs.R.Davies, D.Keogh,
C.Morgan, Mrs.S.Paddison, R.Thomas,
Mrs.L.G.Williams.

Local Members Councillor A.L.Thomas

LDP Member Councillor A.J.Taylor

Officers In Attendance S.Ball, K.Davies, M.Fury, S.Jenkins, J.Griffiths,
Mrs.J.Woodman-Ralph and Ms.N.Headon

1. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON THE 25 OCTOBER 2016**

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Planning Committee held on the 25 October 2016, as circulated, be confirmed as a true record.

2. **REQUEST SITE VISIT(S) FROM THE APPLICATIONS PRESENTED**

RESOLVED: That the following application recommended for approval, as detailed in the circulated report, be deferred for a site visit by the Planning Committee.

Application No: P2016/0271

79 residential dwellings and associated infrastructure. Land North of Neath Road, Rhos, Pontardawe, Abertawe. SA8 3EB.

Reason:

To enable Members to assess the impact on the surrounding area and upon highway safety.

(Note: An amendment sheet in relation to P2014/0393 was circulated prior to the meeting).

3. **APPLICATION NO: P2016/0320 - CHANGE OF USE FROM FORMER LORRY PARK TO CARAVAN/MOTORHOME STORAGE AND SERVICING TOGETHER WITH ANCILLARY SALES. FORMER LORRY PARK, TATA STEEL, CEFN GWRGAN ROAD, MARGAM, PORT TALBOT. SA13 2PT.**

At this point in the meeting Cllr.R.G.Jones relinquished the Chair and addressed the Committee as Local Ward Member.

Cllr. E.E.Jones substituted as Chairperson for this item only.

Officers made a presentation to the Planning Committee on this Application as detailed in the circulated report.

RESOLVED: That contrary to Officer Recommendation as detailed in the circulated report, the application be approved (with delegated authority given to Officers to include appropriate conditions to control the use and visual impacts) on the following grounds:

Having regard to Policy SC1 (1) and paragraph 3.0.17 of the Local Development Plan, the proposed use would provide the significant employment opportunities as set out in Policy SC1 necessary to justify such development outside but adjacent to the settlement boundary.

4. **APPLICATION NO: P2016/0950 - CONSULTATION UNDER SECTION 36 OF THE ELECTRICITY ACT 1989 TO VARY THE ORIGINAL S36 CONSENT TO PROVIDE A BATTERY STORAGE FACILITY. PEN Y CYMOEDD, SOUTH OF THE HEADS OF THE VALLEYS ROAD (A465) BETWEEN NEATH AND ABERDARE TO THE NORTH OF MAERDY, TREORCHY AND GLYNCORRWG AND TO THE EAST OF TONMAWR**

Officers made a presentation to the Planning Committee on the Consultation under Section 36 of the Electricity Act 1989 to vary the original S36 consent to provide a battery storage facility.

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Officer recommendations, as set out in the circulated report, that Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council raises no objection to the proposed variation of the existing S36 consent to include provision of a battery storage facility.

5. **DELEGATED APPLICATIONS DETERMINED**

Members received a list of Planning Applications which had been determined between the 18 October and 28 November 2016.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

6. **APPEALS DETERMINED**

RESOLVED; That the following Appeals Determined be noted, as detailed in the circulated report:-

Enforcement Appeals – Cost Decision
A2016/0008

Change of use from a residential dwelling (Class C3) to mixed use of residential dwelling (Class C3) and commercial use for the provision of music lessons (sui Generis)

Decision: Costs Application Dismissed

CHAIRPERSON