

PLANNING LOCAL REVIEW BODY (PLRB)

Minutes of meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 13 December 2021

Chair:

Councillor Isobel Dorman

Councillors Present:

Councillor Alex Allison, Councillor Maureen Devlin, Councillor Mark Horsham (Depute), Councillor Davie McLachlan, Councillor Graham Scott, Councillor Jim Wardhaugh

Councillors' Apologies:

Councillor Ann Le Blond, Councillor David Shearer

Attending:

Community and Enterprise Resources

G McCracken, Planning Adviser to the Planning Local Review Body

Finance and Corporate Resources

M Cannon, Legal Adviser to the Planning Local Review Body; S Jessup and K McLeod, Administration Assistants; S McLeod, Administration Officer

1 Declaration of Interests

No interests were declared.

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting of the Planning Local Review Body held on 6 September 2021 were submitted for approval as a correct record.

The Committee decided: that the minutes be approved as a correct record.

3 Review of Case - P/21/0959 for Erection of Front Extension with Associated Alterations at 9 George Allan Place, Strathaven

A report dated 1 December 2021 by the Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources) was submitted on a request for a review of the decision taken by officers, in terms of the Scheme of Delegation, to refuse planning permission for planning application P/21/0959 by G Hope for the erection of a front extension with associated alterations at 9 George Allan Place, Strathaven.

To assist the PLRB in its review, copies of the following information had been appended to the report:-

- ◆ planning application form
- ◆ report of handling by the planning officer under the Scheme of Delegation
- ◆ site photographs and location plan
- ◆ decision notice
- ◆ notice of review, including the applicant's statement of reasons for requiring the review
- ◆ a further submission from an interested party following notification of the request for the review of the case

The relevant drawings in relation to the review were available for inspection prior to the meeting of the PLRB.

A late submission providing comments on the Planning Officer's statement of observations had been received from the applicant. The reasons for the lateness of the submission were accepted and the submission was issued to members for consideration as part of the review.

The PLRB heard the Planning Adviser in relation to the case.

The PLRB noted that the applicant had requested a site visit, however, on the basis of the above, the PLRB considered it had sufficient information to allow it to proceed to determine the review. The options available to the PLRB were to uphold, reverse or vary the decision taken in respect of the application taken under review.

In reviewing the case, the PLRB considered:-

- ◆ the information submitted by all parties
- ◆ the relevant policies contained in the Adopted South Lanarkshire Local Development Plan 2:-
 - ◆ Policy 3 – general urban areas and settlements
 - ◆ Policy 5 – development management and placemaking
 - ◆ Policy DM1 – new development design
 - ◆ Policy DM2 – house extensions and alterations

Following discussion, Councillor Dorman, seconded by Councillor Horsham, moved that the decision taken by officers, in terms of the Scheme of Delegation, to refuse planning permission for planning application P/21/0959 by G Hope for the erection of a front extension with associated alterations at 9 George Allan Place, Strathaven be upheld. Councillor Wardhaugh, seconded by Councillor Allison, moved as an amendment that the decision taken by officers, in terms of the Scheme of Delegation, to refuse planning permission for planning application P/21/0959 by G Hope for the erection of a front extension with associated alterations at 9 George Allan Place, Strathaven be reversed and that the application be granted on the grounds that the proposed development would not have an adverse impact on the streetscape or environment. On a vote being taken by roll call, members voted as follows:-

Motion

Maureen Devlin, Isobel Dorman, Mark Horsham, Davie McLachlan, Graham Scott

Amendment

Alex Allison, Jim Wardhaugh

2 members voted for the amendment and 5 members voted for the motion which was declared carried.

The Committee decided:

that the decision taken by officers, in terms of the Scheme of Delegation, to refuse planning permission for planning application P/21/0959 by G Hope for the erection of a front extension with associated alterations at 9 George Allan Place, Strathaven be upheld.

4 Urgent Business

There were no items of urgent business.

Chair's Closing Remarks

The Chair advised that this would be the last meeting that Gwen McCracken, Planning Adviser to the Planning Local Review Body would be attending as she was leaving the Council. The Chair, on behalf of the members of the Board, thanked Mrs McCracken for her help and hard work over the years and wished her every success in the future.