

Report to: **Planning Committee**  
 Date of Meeting: **23 August 2011**  
 Report by: **Executive Director (Enterprise Resources)**

Application No CL/11/0267  
 Planning Proposal: **Erection Of Two 12 Metre High Lighting Columns**

## 1 Summary Application Information

- Application Type : Detailed Planning Application
- Applicant : Tesco Stores
- Location : Lochpark Stadium  
Shieldhill Road  
Carluke  
ML8 5AL

## 2 Recommendation(s)

### 2.1 The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) Grant Detailed Planning Consent (Subject to Conditions – Based on Conditions Attached)

### 2.2 Other Actions/Notes

- (1) The Planning Committee has delegated powers to determine this application.

## 3 Other Information

- ◆ Applicant's Agent: DPP
- ◆ Council Area/Ward: 01 Clydesdale West
- ◆ Policy Reference(s): **South Lanarkshire Local Plan (adopted 2009)**  
Policy COM5 – Retail Masterplan Sites  
Policy DM1 – Development Management

### ◆ Representation(s):

- ▶ 0 Objection Letters
- ▶ 0 Support Letters
- ▶ 0 Comments Letters

### ◆ Consultation(s):

Environmental Services

## **1 Application Site**

- 1.1 The application site forms part of the car park at the approved Tesco Store at the former Loch Park Stadium on Lanark Road in Carluke. The store is currently under construction and is due for completion in September this year. The site is within a predominantly residential area, although the nearest houses are some 85m away from the columns.

## **2 Proposal(s)**

- 2.1 The proposal involves the installation of two 12 metre high lighting columns in the main parking area. These columns form part of the external lighting system granted under the original planning consent for the store. Condition 23 of the consent states "all external lighting (including floodlights within the car park) shall be switched off when the facilities hereby approved are not open to the general public." The applicant advises that there will be nightshift workers in the store after public opening hours and that an unlit car park would be contrary to the interests of public safety. To avoid this it is proposed that the two lighting columns are switched on outwith public opening times. The units will be linked to photocells and programmable timer switches and will only be switched on as a safety measure during hours of darkness. The applicant has submitted plans and supporting information on illumination levels.

## **3 Background**

### **3.1 Local Plan Status**

- 3.1.1 In the South Lanarkshire Local Plan the site is covered by Policy COM5: Retail Masterplan Site which advises that the site at Loch Park should be of an appropriate scale of floor space determined through a retail assessment. Proposals should clearly set out ways in which issues of access, parking, noise, lighting and landscaping will be treated with clear mitigation to avoid damage to local residential amenity. Also of relevance is Policy DM1: Development Management which aims to ensure the development respects the local context and built form in terms of scale, massing design, external material and impact on amenity.

### **3.2 Planning History**

- 3.2.1 Planning Permission CL/08/0731 was granted for a foodstore, petrol filling station, car wash and associated car parking and access in April 2009.
- 3.2.2 As the Council has a landholding interest in the application site the proposal must be reported to committee for a decision as planning legislation which came into force in 2009 does not allow such applications to be delegated.

## **4 Consultation(s)**

- 4.1 **Environmental Services** – the proposals detailed in the submission are satisfactory in principle.  
**Response**: Noted.

## **5 Representation(s)**

- 5.1 Neighbour notification and advertisement of the application in the local press was not required. No letters of representation have been received.

## **6 Assessment and Conclusions**

- 6.1 The proposal involves the erection of two lighting columns within the car park of the new Tesco store in Carluke. The main consideration in determining the application is the impact on the amenity of the area.
- 6.2 These lighting columns have been previously approved as part of the overall lighting scheme for the Tesco development at the site. The applicant does not propose to amend the height or location of these columns but is seeking for them to be lit outwith the opening hours of the store to provide lighting in the car park for nightshift workers. The units will be linked to photocells and programmable timer switches to enable them to be switched on outwith daylight thereby ensuring nightshift staff can access and leave the store safely. The lighting columns have been designed to minimise lighting spillage and they are located some distance back from the boundaries adjoining residential properties. The external lighting complies with the Institution of Lighting Guidance Notes for the Reduction of Obtrusive light. There will be no adverse impact upon neighbouring amenity when these lights are switched on and that a restriction on times when they are lit is not necessary. The restrictions on the other external lighting at the site will remain in place.
- 6.3 In view of the above assessment it is recommended that planning permission be granted.

## **7 Reasons for Decision**

- 7.1 The proposal complies with Policies COM5 and DM1 of the South Lanarkshire Local Plan (Adopted).

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**4 August 2011**

### **Previous References**

- ◆ None

### **List of Background Papers**

- ▶ Application Form
- ▶ Application Plans
  
- ▶ Consultations  
    Environmental Services
  
- ▶ Representations

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**Contact for Further Information**

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## Detailed Planning Application

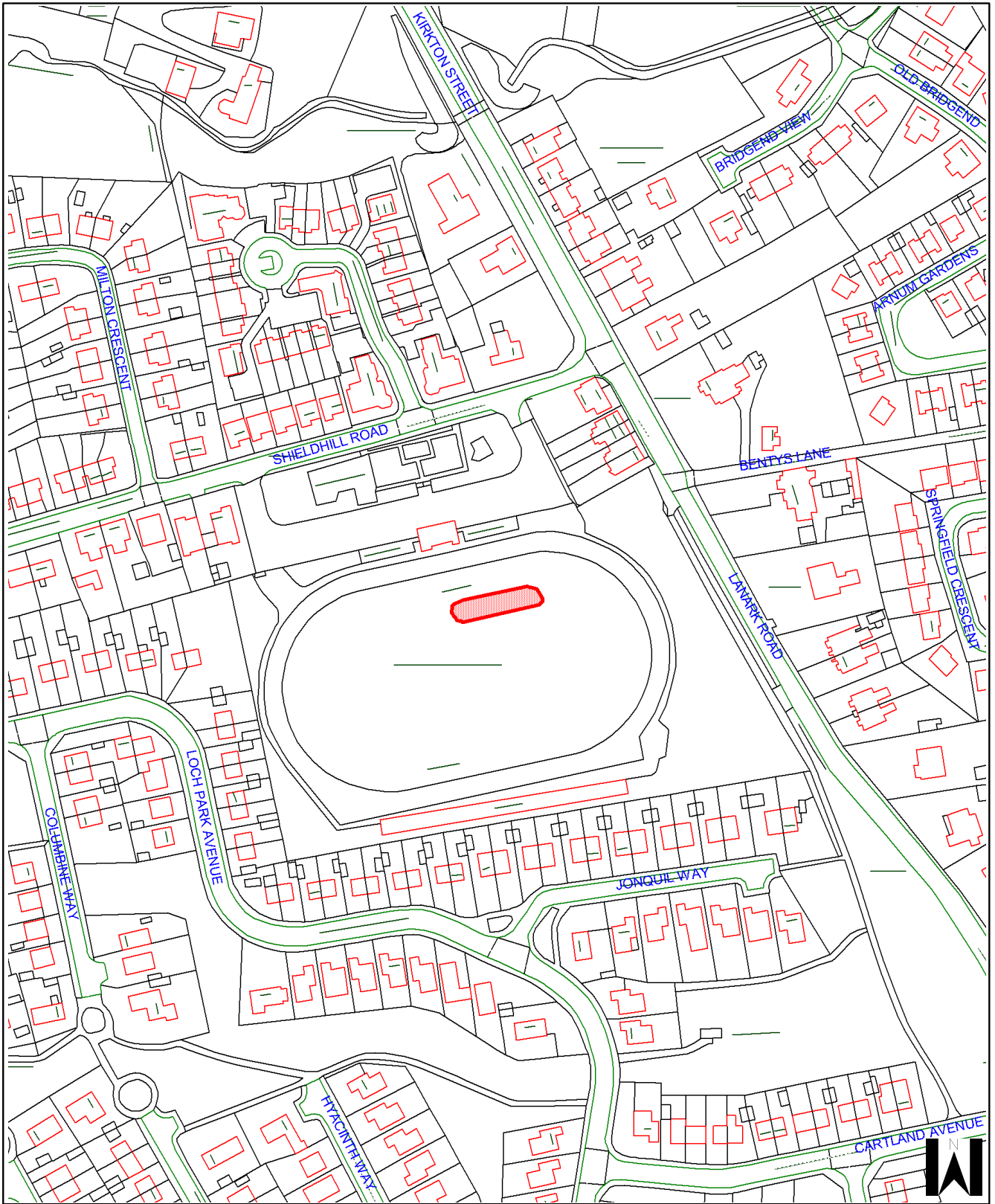
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### **CONDITIONS**

- 1 The consent shall be carried out strictly in accordance with drawing numbers: 1147/300, 1147/301, LS18936 & E451.

### **REASONS**

- 1 For the avoidance of doubt and to specify the drawings upon which the decision was made.



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