

Minute

Planning Committee

Wednesday, 9 March 2022, 10:30.

Microsoft Teams.



Present

Councillors Robin W Crichton, John A R Scott, Alexander G Cowie, Norman R Craigie, David Dawson, Barbara Foulkes, Stephen Sankey, Owen Tierney, Duncan A Tullock and Heather N Woodbridge.

Clerk

- Angela Kingston, Committees Officer.

In Attendance

- Roddy Mackay, Head of Planning, Development and Regulatory Services.
- Jamie Macvie, Planning Manager (Development Management).
- Paul Maxton, Solicitor.
- Donald Wilson, Roads Authority Officer.

Observing

- Hayley Green, Corporate Director for Neighbourhood Services and Infrastructure.
- Gareth Waterson, Corporate Director for Enterprise and Sustainable Regeneration.
- Hazel Flett, Senior Committees Officer.
- Kirsty Groundwater, Communications Team Leader.

Not Present

- Councillor Magnus O Thomson.

Declarations of Interest

- No declarations of interest had been intimated.

Chair

- Councillor Robin W Crichton.

1. Suspension of Standing Orders

The Committee **suspended Standing Order 8.11** to enable members to participate in the meeting from a remote location, as a party had the right to be heard in person or through a representative and the decision to be made was as a result of a quasi-judicial or regulatory hearings process, such as a planning application or an appeal.

2. Form of Voting

The Committee resolved that, should a vote be required in respect of the planning application to be considered at this meeting, notwithstanding Standing Order 21.4, the form of voting should be by calling the role (recorded vote).

3. Planning Application 19/014/PPMAJ

Proposed Construction of Access Roads and Other Housing Site Infrastructure including Surface Water Detention Basin and Landscaping at Corse West, Kirkwall

David Scott and Ian Rushbrook, representing the applicant, Orkney Islands Council, were present during consideration of this item.

After consideration of a report by the Corporate Director for Enterprise and Sustainable Regeneration, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Planning Manager (Development Management), the Committee:

Noted:

3.1. That letters of objection relating to the application for planning permission in respect of the proposal for the construction of access roads with street lighting, footpaths, installation of boreholes and services, and drainage for 138 house sites, construction of a surface water detention basin, and associated landscaping, at Corse West, Kirkwall, had been received from the following:

- N and H Cooper, Eden, Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- C Wishart, 1 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- Chris and Inga Rae, Rivendell, 8 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- Jennifer Macleod, Finmory, 4 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- Vina M Hume, 11 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- Alan E and Eileen D Cooper, 2 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- Eion and Sharon Ballantine, 3 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- Scott Milne, 7 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- David S Clark, 9 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- E Bews, Orcades Hostel, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- J and S Bews, Brekkness, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- C and E Mackay, Westlands, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- George and Margaret Peace, 5 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- John and Kay Scott, 10 Soulisquoy Loan, Kirkwall.
- E and H Smith, Ayre View, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- G and J Sinclair, Ichiban, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- Michael and Lynda Grieve, Brin-Novan, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- Moira King, Kinverdale, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- A Swannie, Shearwood, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- K and L Bruce, Glenavon, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- B and S Moodie, The Yard, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.

- M and M Scott, Norvana, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- N Stockan, Locksley, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- E Moodie, Muddisdale, Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall.
- Susan Allan, 30 Liberator Drive, Kirkwall.

3.2. That, on 1 December 2021, the Planning Committee resolved that consideration of the application be deferred to enable officers to engage in further discussions with the applicant in respect of road safety, with particular regard to considering the potential to restrict vehicular access to the proposed development from Muddisdale Road, Kirkwall, and, should vehicular traffic be restricted, to establish whether there would be an ability to accommodate a turning head for refuse and emergency vehicles within the site.

3.3. That, on 19 January 2022, the Planning Committee resolved that consideration of the application be deferred to enable members of the Committee to undertake an unaccompanied site visit.

After hearing representations from Ian Rushbrook, representing the applicant, Orkney Islands Council, Councillor Robin W Crichton, seconded by Councillor John A R Scott, moved that planning permission be granted in respect of the proposal for the construction of access roads with street lighting, footpaths, installation of boreholes and services and drainage for 138 house sites, construction of a surface water detention basin and associated landscaping at Corse West, Kirkwall, subject to conditions as proposed by officers.

Councillor Barbara Foulkes, seconded by Councillor David Dawson, moved an amendment that consideration of the application for planning permission in respect of the proposal for the construction of access roads with street lighting, footpaths, installation of boreholes and services and drainage for 138 house sites, construction of a surface water detention basin and associated landscaping at Corse West, Kirkwall, be deferred to enable officers to hold further discussions with the applicant in respect of addressing concerns raised by objectors to the development relating to the egress onto Muddisdale Road.

The result of a recorded vote was as follows:

For the Amendment:

Councillors David Dawson, Barbara Foulkes and Heather N Woodbridge (3).

For the Motion:

Councillors Alexander G Cowie, Norman R Craigie, Robin W Crichton, Stephen Sankey, John A R Scott, Owen Tierney and Duncan A Tullock (7).

The Motion was therefore carried.

The Committee thereafter resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

3.3. That planning permission be granted in respect of the proposal for the construction of access roads with street lighting, footpaths, installation of boreholes and services and drainage for 138 house sites, construction of a surface water detention basin and associated landscaping at Corse West, Kirkwall, subject to the conditions attached as Appendix 1 to this Minute.

4. Conclusion of Meeting

At 11:20 the Chair declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: Rob Crichton.