Minute

Planning Committee

Wednesday, 4 March 2020, 10:30.

Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Place, Kirkwall.



Present

Councillors Robin W Crichton, John A R Scott, Alexander G Cowie, David Dawson, Barbara Foulkes, Stephen Sankey, Magnus O Thomson, Owen Tierney and Duncan A Tullock.

Clerk

Angela Kingston, Committees Officer.

In Attendance

- Roddy Mackay, Head of Planning, Development and Regulatory Services.
- Jamie Macvie, Planning Manager (Development Management).
- · Georgette Herd, Solicitor.
- Kenneth Roy, Team Leader Roads Support.

Observing

- David Barclay, Senior Planner (Development Management).
- Susan Shearer, Senior Planner (Development and Marine Planning).
- Lorraine Stout, Press Officer (for Items 1 and 2).

Apologies

- Councillor Norman R Craigie.
- Councillor Kevin F Woodbridge.

Declaration of Interest

Councillor Duncan A Tullock – Item 3.

Chair

• Councillor Robin W Crichton.

1. Planning Application 19/143/PPMAJ

Proposed Extension of Quarry, Continued Extraction of Stone, Restoration and Landscaping at Cursiter Quarry, Old Finstown Road, Firth

The Committee **noted** that this item had been withdrawn.

2. Planning Application 19/345/PP

Proposed Reinstatement and Extension of House, Erection of Outbuilding and Creation of Access at Sunnybraes, Houton, Orphir

Leslie Burgher, agent for the applicant, S Veale, and Fiona Gould, Simon Strachan and Sophia Anterrioti, objectors, were present during consideration of this item.

After consideration of a report by the Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Planning Manager (Development Management), the Committee:

Noted:

- **2.1.** That letters of objection relating to the application for planning permission in respect of the proposal for the reinstatement and extension of a house, erection of an outbuilding and creation of an access at Sunnybraes, Houton, Orphir, had been received from the following:
- Fiona Gould, Sunnybraes, Houton, Orphir.
- Simon Strachan and Sophia Anterrioti, The Pier House, Hall of Tankerness, Tankerness.

After hearing representations from Simon Strachan and Fiona Gould, objectors, and from Leslie Burgher, agent for the applicant, S Veale, on the motion of Councillor Robin W Crichton, seconded by Councillor Owen Tierney, the Committee:

Resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

2.2. That planning permission be granted in respect of the proposal for the reinstatement and extension of a house, erection of an outbuilding and creation of an access at Sunnybraes, Houton, Orphir, subject to the conditions attached as Appendix 1 to this Minute.

3. Planning Application 19/365/PP

Proposed Change of Use from Offices to Offices and Other Services, Extension, Alterations to Car Park and Stopping-Up of Public Road to form Car Parking at Garden House, New Scapa Road, Kirkwall

Councillor Duncan A Tullock declared a non-financial interest in this item, in that a family member was related to one of the objectors, and was not present during discussion thereof.

Gwyn Evans, representing the applicant, Orkney Islands Council, and Fraser Anderson, objector, were present during consideration of this item.

After consideration of a report by the Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure, 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 change of use from offices to offices and other services, extension, alterations to the car park and stopping-up of the public road to form car parking at Garden House, New Scapa Road, Kirkwall, had been received from the following:
- Fraser Anderson, Orkney Hand Crafted Furniture, Giggs Cottage, New Scapa Road, Kirkwall.
- Brian Anderson, Margaret Anderson and Tracy Russell, Dell'Ovo, New Scapa Road, Kirkwall.
- Susan Anderson-Leslie and Paul Harcus, West Lynn, Holm Branch Road, Kirkwall.
- Ruth Britten, 7 Kirk Park, Orphir.
- Sam Britten, Asgard, Orphir.
- · Kirsty Brown and Luke Brown, Oakhurst, Willow Road, Kirkwall.
- Jacqui Bruce, 74 Liberator Drive, Kirkwall.
- John Bruce, 4 Warrenfield Drive, Kirkwall.
- Karen Budge, Rohaven, Annfield Crescent, Kirkwall.
- Katrina Budge, 9 Jubilee Court, Kirkwall.
- Joy Butcher and Matthew Butcher, 1 Royal Oak Court, Holm Road, Kirkwall.
- Chloe Farrer and David Farrer, Upper Misker, Deerness.
- Gillian Farrer, Fern Valley Wildlife Centre, Tingwall House, Tingwall, Rendall.
- W Flett, Edgeriggs, 1 Scapa Crescent, Kirkwall.
- Shenandoah Gills and Calum Miller, 13 Church Road, Stromness.
- Calum Grant and Lyndsay Grant, 27 Buttquoy Crescent, Kirkwall.
- Jackie Harrison and Keith Harrison, Reesterbrae, Orphir.
- Barbara Mackenzie and Tyler Mackenzie, Tonray, 10 Meadow Park, Kirkwall.
- Gina McMahon, Lower Bu, Holm.
- Ann Rendall, Iona, 3 Scapa Crescent, Kirkwall.
- Jacqui Robertson and Liam Robertson, Westermill, 24 Willowburn Road, Kirkwall.
- Steven Russell, Dellovo Cottage, New Scapa Road, Kirkwall.
- Graham Scollay and Netsanet Sori, Muirdene, Orphir.

After hearing representations from Fraser Anderson, objector, Councillor David Dawson, seconded by Councillor Stephen Sankey, moved that the application for planning permission in respect of the proposal for the change of use from offices to offices and other services, extension, alterations to the car park and stopping-up of the public road to form car parking at Garden House, New Scapa Road, Kirkwall, be deferred to enable members of the Committee to undertake an unaccompanied site visit.

Councillor Barbara Foulkes, seconded by Councillor John A R Scott, moved an amendment that planning permission be granted in respect of the proposal for the change of use from offices to offices and other services, extension, alterations to the car park and stopping-up of the public road to form car parking at Garden House, New Scapa Road, Kirkwall, subject to conditions as proposed by officers.

On a vote being taken 3 members voted for the amendment and 5 for the motion, and the Committee:

Resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

3.2. That consideration of the application for planning permission in respect of the proposal for the change of use from offices to offices and other services, extension, alterations to the car park and stopping-up of the public road to form car parking at Garden House, New Scapa Road, Kirkwall, be deferred to enable members of the Committee to undertake an unaccompanied site visit.

4. Planning Application 19/376/PP

Proposed Erection of Thirteen Houses, Upgrade Access and Construction of Road and Drainage Works at Cairston Road, Stromness

Stephen Kemp, representing the applicant, Orkney Builders, was present during consideration of this item.

After consideration of a report by the Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Planning Manager (Development Management), the Committee:

Noted:

4.1. That a letter of objection relating to the application for planning permission in respect of the proposal for the erection of thirteen houses, upgrading an access and construction of a road and drainage works at Cairston Road, Stromness, had been received from Sarah Crowe and David Woolf, Glenmareth, 3 Garson Drive, Stromness.

After hearing representations from Stephen Kemp, representing the applicant, Orkney Builders, on the motion of Councillor Robin W Crichton, seconded by Councillor Barbara Foulkes, the Committee:

Resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

4.2. That planning permission be granted in respect of the proposal for the erection of thirteen houses, upgrading an access and construction of a road and drainage works at Cairston Road, Stromness, subject to the conditions attached as Appendix 2 to this Minute.

5. Planning Application 19/384/PP

Proposed Erection of Two Houses with Air Source Heat Pumps and Creation of Access at Akranes, East Road, Kirkwall

Stephen Kemp, representing the applicant, Orkney Builders, was present during consideration of this item.

After consideration of a report by the Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Planning Manager (Development Management), the Committee:

Noted:

5.1. That a letter of objection relating to the application for planning permission in respect of the proposal for the erection of two houses with air source heat pumps and the creation of an access at Akranes, East Road, Kirkwall, had been received from Barbara and Reginald Romeril, Eastmount, East Road, Kirkwall.

After hearing a statement from Barbara and Reginald Romeril, objectors, which was read out by the Clerk, and after hearing representations from Stephen Kemp, representing the applicants, Orkney Builders, on the motion of Councillor David Dawson, seconded by Councillor Owen Tierney, the Committee:

Resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

5.2. That planning permission be granted in respect of the proposal for the erection of two houses with air source heat pumps and the creation of an access at Akranes, East Road, Kirkwall, subject to the conditions attached as Appendix 3 to this Minute.

6. Planning Application 19/411/PP

Change of Use from Former Police Station to Office (Retrospective) at Station House, North End Road, Stromness

After consideration of a report by the Executive Director of Development and Infrastructure, copies of which had been circulated, and after hearing a report from the Planning Manager (Development Management), the Committee:

Noted:

6.1. That a letter of objection relating to the application for retrospective planning permission in respect of the change of use from a former police station to an office at Station House, North End Road, Stromness, had been received from Norman Brass, Blue Star Garage, North End Road, Stromness.

On the motion of Councillor David Dawson, seconded by Councillor Alexander G Cowie, the Committee resolved, in terms of delegated powers:

6.2. That retrospective planning permission be granted in respect of the change of use from a former police station to an office at Station House, North End Road, Stromness.

7. Conclusion of Meeting

At 12:45 the Chair declared the meeting concluded.

Signed: Rob Crichton.