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Planning and General-Purposes Committee Minutes

For the meeting held in the Moot Hall

Monday 9th December 2024 at 6.45pm

Present:

Cllr Curley (Chair)
Cllr Connell (Vice-Chair)
Cllr Davidson
Cllr Hilsden
Cllr Pape
Cllr Turnbull

Also in attendance:

Cllr Anderton
Cllr Chalmers
Cllr Heap
Cllr Kemp
Cllr Potts
Town Clerk and Clerk's Assistant

P1/12/24 Apologies for Absence

Apologies received from Cllr Railton.

P2/12/24 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

P3/12/24 Actions from the Previous Minutes

- **Doomgate FRMS, including parking and road closures**

Broad Close car park is now closed. Work on Edenside car park has begun and it is due to be open on Friday 20th December. When open, it will be free parking. There have been a few complaints about contractors parking on the streets, which has been raised with Volkerstevin.

There are planned road closures starting in January. There will be no through traffic on the section of Chapel Street in front of Broad Close car park, which will involve two-way traffic lights on Low Wiend and traffic lights on Doomgate/Holme Street. Once the dates have been confirmed, they will be circulated.

- **Recycling Centre**

The initial issues with fly tipped glass at the Heritage Centre has now reduced, and Appleby Primary School have not reported any issues with their site. There has been an issue with people dumping polystyrene, which the contractors won't take, but the recycling caretaker has been removing that and putting it in the Public Hall commercial waste bin.

- **Retail Signage on Bridge Street**

Following enforcement letters being issued by Westmorland & Furness Council, the vinyl sign on the balcony of the Sunbed/Tanning Salon has now been removed, as has the Fat Chicken's shop sign. The Tattoo Parlour has also been asked to remove their vinyl sign from the side wall.

- **B&W Bollards**

There is no update for the bollards. The plans are currently with Westmorland & Furness Council and we are awaiting a response.

- **Butts Shelters**

The plans are currently with Westmorland & Furness Council and we are awaiting a response. The Clerk reported that we have received a very generous donation of £4,500 from Appleby Rotary towards the refurbishment of the shelters.

- **Community Service Awards**

The Clerk reported that the nomination form is almost complete and will be circulated for comments, to be discussed in the new year.

P4/12/24 Planning Applications

Under Westmorland & Furness Council's consultation process, to consider the following Planning Applications, plus any late arrivals, to prepare, under delegated authority, a response from Council:

2024/2150/FPA No comments **Appleby Castle. Boroughgate, CA16 6XH** Proposed restoration of decayed external and internal fabric, finishes and services installations. Change of use of former stable buildings to form 3no dwellings and renovation of 4no existing vacant dwellings. *Applicant: Chancellor Developments Ltd*	2024/2154/LBC No comments **Appleby Castle, Boroughgate, CA16 6HX** Listed Building Consent for proposed restoration of decayed external and internal fabric, finishes and services installations. Works to enable the change of use of former stable buildings to form 3no dwellings and renovation of 4no existing vacant dwellings. *Applicant: Chancellor Developments Ltd*

P5/12/24 Planning Decisions

Under Westmorland & Furness Council's consultation process, the following Planning Decisions were noted:

2024/0765/DISC Discharge of Conditions **Former Edenside Residential Care Home, Holme Street, CA16 6QU** Discharge of conditions 3 (construction environmental management plan) and 4 (surface water drainage scheme), attached to approval 23/0570. *Applicant: Ross McKeown, Environment Agency*	2024/1114/FPA Approved with Conditions **1 Scattergate Green, CA16 6SP** Proposed single storey rear extension and addition of solar panels to rear roof slope. *Applicant: Mr Keith Abbott*
2024/1828/LBC Listed Building Consent **9 Battlebarrow, CA16 6XS** Listed Building Consent for the installation of an internal through floor lift. *Applicant: Mr & Mrs Cecillia Nevitt*	2024/1651/FPA Approved with Conditions **Bongate Hall, South Bongate, CA16 6HW** Proposed single storey rear wing extension. *Applicant: Mr V Oudhuis*

P6/12/24 Chairman's Report

The Chair reported that an Extraordinary Parish Meeting had been held on Wednesday 4th December, after a request from 73 residents via the Appleby Fair Communities Group to hold a Parish Meeting, to discuss the use of Fair Hill for Horse Fair. Dan St Quentin, the Police Gold Commander gave an excellent presentation on the impact closing Fair Hill would have from a policing perspective. 10 residents were in attendance and a poll was not requested. There is one action for Appleby Council, which will be discussed in the new year. Minutes will be circulated by the Clerk when complete.

P7/12/24 Councillors' reports and items for future agendas

- The Clerk reported that Westmorland & Furness Council have received funding to install electric vehicle charge points. The Council have been asked to put forward suggestions on any suitable places in the town where they could be installed. There are already plans to install EV charge points in Broad Close car park once it is reinstated.
- Cllr Connell reported that the lighting on Back Lane has been completely refurbished with new LED lighting columns. The Clerk added that Westmorland & Furness seem to have a very efficient lighting team. They have already made some improvements to the lighting on Doomgate, and it is hoped they will look at improving lighting on High and Low Wiend next.
- Cllr Connell reported that the gullies down Mill Hill/Jubilee Road have all been cleared, which should better control water flow into the river during heavy rain.
- The Bus Service improvements are due to be announced tomorrow at 10am and it is hoped some benefit will be felt in Appleby.

P8/12/24 Next Meeting

To note that the next meeting of the Planning and General Purposes Committee will be on **Monday 13th January 2025** at **6.45pm** in the Moot Hall.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 7.05pm.

At the Council Meeting held on **Wednesday 18th December 2024**, the Chairman of this meeting was authorised by the Council to sign these minutes, to confirm they are a true and accurate record:

Cllr Davidson