# MINUTES of MEETING of PLANNING, PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE held in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD on WEDNESDAY, 17 FEBRUARY 2016

Present: Councillor David Kinniburgh (Chair)

Councillor Gordon Blair
Councillor Robin Currie
Councillor George Freeman
Councillor Neil MacIntyre
Councillor Councillor Sandy Taylor
Councillor Neil MacIntyre
Councillor Robert G MacIntyre
Councillor Donald MacMillan
Councillor Sandy Taylor
Councillor Richard Trail

**Attending:** Charles Reppke, Head of Governance and Law

Angus Gilmour, Head of Planning and Regulatory Services

#### 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were intimated from Councillors Rory Colville, Roderick McCuish, Alex McNaughton and James McQueen.

### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

#### 3. MINUTES

- a) The Minute of the Planning, Protective Services and Licensing Committee meeting held on 20 January 2016 at 11.00 am was approved as a correct record.
- b) The Minute of the Planning, Protective Services and Licensing Committee meeting held on 20 January 2016 at 2.00 pm was approved as a correct record.
- c) The Minute of the Planning, Protective Services and Licensing Committee meeting held on 20 January 2016 at 2.20 pm was approved as a correct record.
- d) The Minute of the Planning, Protective Services and Licensing Committee meeting held on 20 January 2016 at 2.40 pm was approved as a correct record.
- e) The Minute of the Planning, Protective Services and Licensing Committee meeting held on 20 January 2016 at 3.00 pm was approved as a correct record.
- f) The Minute of the Planning, Protective Services and Licensing Committee meeting held on 20 January 2016 at 3.20 pm was approved as a correct record.
- 4. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE: RESURFACING OF EXISTING SPORTS PITCH, INSTALLATION OF FLOODLIGHTS AND WIRE PERIMETER FENCE: PLAYING FIELD NORTH OF MONITORING STATION, CUMBERLAND ROAD, RHU (REF: 15/02729/PP

The Head of Planning and Regulatory Services spoke to the terms of the report. He advised of a further 2 late representations received from John and Rosemary Brown and from Mr Yendal who reiterated their earlier objections and concerns in respect of

this proposal. Planning permission is sought for the upgrade of an existing sport pitch located to the north of the Monitoring Station, Cumberland Road, Rhu. The site is located within an Open Space Protected Area which encourages the retention of sports and recreational facilities and also encourages refurbishments and improvements to these. A total of 30 emails and letters of representation have been received, 28 of which object to this application, one representation making an observation and one representation supporting the proposal. An objection from Rhu and Shandon Community Council has also been received. Concerns raised by objectors include the detrimental impact, in their opinion, to the residential amenity of area; the installation of floodlights; noise and disturbance; loss of access to informal open space; increased litter; potential flooding; and parking concerns. None of the statutory consultees have raised any objections to the proposal. It is considered that the proposal is consistent with the Local Development Plan and is recommended for approval however, due to the large number of representations received, it is recommended that a Hearing is held in advance of determining this application.

#### **Decision**

The Committee agreed to hold a pre determination hearing at the earliest opportunity.

(Reference: Report by Head of Planning and Regulatory Services dated 4 February 2016, submitted)

## 5. PLANNING AND REGULATORY SERVICES PERFORMANCE REPORT, FQ3 2015-16

Consideration was given to the Planning and Regulatory Services performance report with associated scorecard for performance in FQ3 2015-16.

#### Decision

The Committee reviewed and noted the scorecard as presented.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director – Development and Infrastructure Services, submitted)

#### 6. PROPOSED PROGRAMME OF PLANNING TRAINING FOR MEMBERS

A report seeking endorsement of a proposed programme of planning training for Members during 2016 was considered.

#### Decision

The Committee agreed:-

- 1. to continue the ongoing programme of planning related training for Members of the PPSL Committee, which should also be open to any other Members not currently involved in planning decision making;
- to endorse the initial subject areas for training and the provisional dates for delivery, on the understanding that the programme may be varied to take account

of any additional training requirements Members may wish to identify, along with any other particular training needs identified by Officers as a consequence of matters emerging during the course of the year;

- 3. that consideration should be given to moving the training on flooding to earlier in the year;
- 4. to include a training session on TIF incorporated with a visit to Oban; and
- 5. that arrangements be made to present the Sustainable Design Guide Awards prior to the PPSL meeting in May.

(Reference: Report by Head of Planning and Regulatory Services dated 29 January 2016, submitted)