Burscough Town Council

Planning and Footpaths Committee Wednesday 6th October 2021 at 7pm at The Stanley Club

Present

Cllr Bailey Chairman

Cllr Kennedy Cllr Crawford Cllr Hardisty Cllr Ryley

Sheila Gill Deputy Clerk

MINUTES

1. Welcome.

The Chairman opened the meeting, with a warm welcome. The Chairman wanted to note that when Cllrs are putting comments on WLBC website re planning applications, please do so as a resident not a councillor, so as not to confuse with Town Council comments.

2. Apologies for Absence.

None.

- 3. Disclosure of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interest. None.
- 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting of 1st September 2021.

 The minutes were then agreed as a true record of the meeting and were proposed by Cllr Kennedy and seconded by Cllr Ryley.
- 5. Adjournment for Comments from West Lancashire Borough Council. None.
- 6. Adjournment for Residents Points of Interest

Resident attended meeting on behalf of Burscough Flood Group, to raise issue of flooding with the proposed new developments – 69 Liverpool Road South (22 new dwellings) and former UBH site (60 new dwellings). Burscough Flood Group has raised objections on the WLBC planning lists, regarding an average of 250 litres of water required per household per day for each dwelling and that the drainage system around Burscough, which is 300 years old and inadequate for the present dwellings without adding to the pressure from the new development sites. The infastructure is totally inadequate and the added pressure will exacerbate the flooding issues for the whole of Burscough.

7. Consider Planning Applications.

2021/0873/FUL - 69 Liverpool Road South - The following comments were sent to West Lancashire Borough Council :-

Burscough Town Council has huge concerns over not being notified/involved from the onset of discussions regarding this development as per the charter regulations.

This site is totally out of character with the surrounding area, very much over developed with insufficient parking spaces. The access onto the A59, especially in peak periods for vehicles travelling towards Ormskirk, causes major concerns, which could easily mark this as an accident

hotspot. The impact on the drainage infrastructure, which is already inadequate and unable to cope with the present volume of water, and is prone to flooding and surcharging will be unable to cope with the extra pressure put upon the system.

2021/1062/FUL - 11 Victoria Street: No objections raised.

2021/1058/FUL – Swifts Fold, Tarlscough Lane: No objections raised.

2021/1097/FUL - 35 Mill Dam Lane: No objections raised.

2021/1102/FUL –60 Liverpool Road North: No objection raised. The following comments were sent to West Lancashire Borough Council: *Burscough Town Council has no objections in principle but is concerned over too many similar businesses in close proximity to each other.*

2021/1117/FUL – 5 Ivy Close: No objections raised.

2021/1118/FUL –19 Ainscough Drive: The following comments were sent to West Lancashire Borough Council: Burscough Town Council has concerns over garage conversions leading to extra on street car parking and are worried regarding the impact of this on the surrounding area/properties. There is uncertainty of the present conditions for such planning re West Lancs Borough Council

- 8. Comments Burscough Flood Group.
 - It was noted that the Burscough Flood group has raised objections on WLBC planning lists regarding the 2 developments 69 Liverpool Road South and UBH Site Orrell Lane, it was noted that Burscough Town Council is in full agreement with their objections.
- 9. Action update of planning application 2021/0655 Noted that as at September 2021 a total of 758 new dwellings applications had been approved. The West Lancs Local plan allocation is 850.

Urgent Planning Matters.

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2021/1046/FUL – Universal Bulk Handlers Development, Orrell Lane - The following comments were sent to West Lancashire Borough Council:

Burscough Town Council are extremely concerned that they have NOT been informed about this development and question why this has been allowed to happen regarding such a large development which will have a huge impact upon Burscough.

As well as all the drainage/flooding issues which have been submitted as an objection by Burscough Flood Group, which Burscough Town Council fully endorses, agrees with and fully supports, The risk of flooding and surcharge contravenes BPI1, 2 & 3 regarding infrastructure, surface water drainage and foul water drainage.

There is also the traffic/highways issues regarding Orrell Lane with the junction on the A59, the amount of extra traffic which will be travelling down Orrell Lane to access the A59, which is right at the bottom of the canal bridge so has an obstructed view of on coming traffic along the A59. The blind bend at the other end of Orrell Lane just before the start of the development is also a serious hazard because of all the parked cars along Orrell Lane, in effect making it single traffic all along. Has there been a physical highways assessment regarding vehicular road access or does this contravene BPT1.

The contamination of the land and the asbestos present in the roof of the buildings to be demolished also of a grave concern to the Town Council. Who is going to monitor the conditions set out in the land survey and for how long?

The Town Council would like to consider an extension on the decision period for this development to consider the impact regarding the lack of services for the surrounding area e.g. schools, medical. etc.

2020/1178/FU Noted the app	_ – Baldwins Farm, Moss Lane – App eal as before no objections raised	eal	
Footpath Matt None	rs.		
Next Meeting	organised 3 rd November 2021.		
Meeting close	at 8:40pm		