

MAGHULL TOWN COUNCIL
FULL COUNCIL
HELD 30th SEPTEMBER 2020
VIRTUAL MEETING

PRESENT - Councillor Josh Burns (In the Chair) and Councillors (Cllrs): June Burns, Desmond, Ferguson, K & T Hughes, Lloyd, McKinley, J & Y Sayers and Sharp.

ALSO PRESENT – A. McIntyre (Town Clerk), P. Dillon (Community Services Manager), S. Lawrence (minutes), Edward Landor (Landor Planning Consultants), Public viewing via YouTube.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Apologies were received from (Cllrs) Carr, Carragher, Carlsen and Doherty.

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: None.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: due to the Covid 19 pandemic public participation is by submission of comments or questions to the Council prior to the meeting commencing. None received.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

RESOLVED that the minutes of Full Council held on 27th July 2020 were approved as a correct record.

5. PLANNING APPLICATIONS DC/2020/014:

The major planning application was for a new Aldi food store to be situated on Northway.

Comments made by Cllrs:

- Enquiries to be made regarding the level of S106 payments requested and for which works/improvements.
- Regarding flooding – Why are the developers using data from 2011 to create a surface water development plan (SWDP)? Sefton Council are currently updating the data which will include proposed site therefore a more accurate plan could be produced if they would use the most up to date data.
- Adding another set of lights could be confusing to drivers.
- Information from a third-party Aldi developer could be encouraged to have tanks on the roof to collect wastewater which have slow release. Which could solve/help with the suspected flooding issue?
- Suggestion to close the pedestrian crossing and only use the new crossing at the proposed site.

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- Noise could be an issue for local residents during the development phase and a proposal for screening around the site to ensure minimal noise would be requested.

RESOLVED that:

1. The Town Clerk to take questions/comments made by Cllrs to the planning authority.
2. The application be recommended for approval;
3. The application be noted.

6. MINUTES OF COMMITTEES FOR NOTING:

RESOLVED that the minutes of Finance and General Purposes on 18th September 2019, 16th December 2019, 26th February 2020, Amenities 25th September 2019, 4th December 2019, 4th March 2020, Community Services on 20th November 2019 and 11th March 2020 be noted.

7. COUNCIL CONSTITUTION:

Members were informed that the Council Constitution needed to be reviewed on at least an annual basis. The Constitution would normally be reviewed at Annual Council but this had not been able to take place this year. Therefore, the matter was being brought before Council at the meeting.

RESOLVED that:

1. The Council Constitution be approved and adopted;
2. The report be noted.

8. COUNCIL SCHEME OF DELEGATION:

Members were informed that the Council Scheme of Delegation needed to be reviewed on at least an annual basis. The Scheme of Delegation would normally be reviewed at Annual Council but this had not been able to take place this year. Therefore, the matter was being brought before Council at the meeting.

RESOLVED that:

1. The Scheme of Delegation be approved and adopted;
2. The report be noted.

9. CHAIRS CLOSING COMMENTS:

The Chair thanked everyone for attending.

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10. EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC:

RESOLVED that the press and public be excluded due to confidential nature of the item under discussion. Live streaming ended.

11. LAND EAST OF MAGHULL – RULE 6 STATEMENT:

Members received an update regarding the progress of the Public Inquiry relating to the Appeal for the southern site on the Land East of Maghull. Members were informed of the key dates leading up to the Inquiry which was due to be held 15th – 18th December 2020.

RESOLVED that:

1. The Clerk's instruction of Counsel to represent the Council at the Public Inquiry be approved;
2. The Statement of Case, as drafted by MTC's Planning Consultants and agreed by Counsel be agreed by Council and forwarded to the Planning Inspector;
3. The representation from Maghull Town Council for case hearings and round table discussions would be the Town Clerk in conjunction with the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council;
4. The report be noted.



CHAIRMAN

