

Minutes



INNER EAST PLANNING SUB GROUP
DATE/ TIME : 9th November, 12.30pm, Reginald centre
CHAIR: Cllr Asghar Khan

1.0 Present: Councillor Brian Selby (CBS), David Jones (DJ), Carly Grimshaw (CG), Joanne Buck (JB)

Apologies: Councillor Asghar Khan (CAK), Councillor Vonnie Morgan (CVM).

ITEM DISCUSSED	ACTION
<p>2.00</p>	<p><u>Introductions and aims of the meeting</u></p> <p>2.1 For this meeting Cllr Khan, Chair, could not attend so Cllr Selby took the role of Chair.</p> <p>2.2 This was the inaugural meeting of the Planning Sub Group. It was discussed that the aim of the meeting would be to ensure that Councillors are linked in at all stages of any planning applications which have a significant impact on the Inner East. All major applications, including pre application discussions, need to be brought to the meeting for discussion. DJ did however flag up that some pre-application discussions can be commercially sensitive so need to remain confidential. Nevertheless, planning officers will continue to encourage public consultation prior as part of the pre-application process but ultimately the decision rests with the developer.</p> <p>2.3 The meeting would be serviced by the Area Support Team and David Jones, or a representative, from the Planning department would commit to attending each meeting.</p> <p>2.4 A Terms of Reference to this effect was passed</p> <p>2.5 It was raised that the Planning dept need to be conscious that if a development is on a ward boundary then Councillors on each side of the boundary would need to be consulted as it has an impact on all of their residents. DJ will let colleagues in the South and North East teams know that he needs to be passed information on any developments which are on their borders. He will also expect them to do the same.</p>
<p>3.00</p>	<p><u>Significant Developments</u></p> <p>3.1 <u>Seacroft Hospital</u></p>

DJ

	<p>The residential application went to Plans Panel in July for a pre application presentation. Comments made were that it is premature and they need to be working with the NHS, as the western side of the land is owned by the Health Trust and still operating as a hospital, the two sites can't be separated. The report which went to Plans Panel is attached to these minutes for reference.</p>	
3.2	<p>CBS asked what are the hospitals plans regarding moving the facility to St James'? If this were to happen we would need to know what the plans are for parking as it is currently unsatisfactory, visitors are parking in residential streets near by which is not acceptable for residents and it creates a poor image of the city when relatives are travelling here to visit people. DJ stated that regular meetings had previously been scheduled between the hospital and Phil Crabtree but due to the current climate and lack of activity by the trust this hadn't been happening.</p>	
3.3	<p>Seacroft Hospital is to remain on the agenda for any updates at future meetings. DJ will also update the group as and when other hospital proposals come forward.</p>	CG
3.4	<p><u>Private hospital proposal – Coal Road</u> JB asked for an update on this. DJ updates that they have planning permission for a Wickes, a private hospital and for employment uses. They got permission for quite a bit, most likely to allow them some flexibility, but they don't seem to be currently pushing forward with anything. Once permission is granted it stands for 3 years, we are in year two at the minute but they can apply for an extension if the time runs out.</p>	
3.5	<p><u>Unity housing, Bogart Hill Road</u> Developers have been to a Killingbeck & Seacroft ward members meeting and the Seacroft CLT in the past to update on this, but members would like a further update. DJ to speak to developer and ask him to update ward members. Planning are of the opinion that some tweaks are needed to the application but they don't really have a problem with it in principle.</p>	DJ
3.6	<p><u>Incinerator</u> The PFI scheme came to Plans Panel in September with a position statement and no major issues. It is expected to come back to panel in January to look for approval. The BIFA scheme has been to Plans East a number of times but will probably go to City Plans Panel from now on. A position statement will be brought to City Plans in January, there are still some issues to resolve but after this it is likely to be recommended for approval. As no BR ward Members are present CG to check with Sarah May if they have already been briefed at Ward Members meeting on this and if not arrange for someone to attend in December so that they can feed in prior to the January briefing note. Planning case officer also to contact ward Members direct and offer a briefing as the next planning sub-group meeting will be too late.</p>	CG/DJ
3.7	<p><u>York Road Library</u> CBS asked for an update on this site. There had been a suggestion it</p>	DJ

	<p>was changing hands which had delayed enforcement, but now we are aware it isn't, the Conservation Team is considering serving an urgent repair notice on the current owner. At this stage we just need to ensure that it doesn't deteriorate further to make sure that we don't end up being faced with an application for demolition. DJ to provide CBS with a briefing note on this so that he can update the resident who raised it.</p>	
4.00	<p><u>Any other business</u></p> <p>4.1 An update on Fearnville House was also asked for. DJ will send CBS a briefing note on this. CG bring derelict site group update information to next meeting.</p> <p>4.2 JB asked who owns the Hub development on Coal Road as she would like to know what is being done to try and market it. JB to clarify to DJ which development she is referring to so that he can find out.</p> <p>4.3 When the Florence Street school application comes in Councillors would like to make sure it is brought to this sub group for comment.</p> <p>4.4 JB asked if there are any timescales attached to the Bellway development as there are resident concerns regarding why we are pursuing further development in the area when these properties aren't selling. CG to invite someone from the Regeneration Team to the next meeting.</p> <p>4.5 It was asked what reassurance developers need to give that they will give jobs, either on site or once the development is finished, to local people. DJ informed the group that clauses are being written into the Section 106 legal agreements on major schemes which stipulate that local people must be given access to jobs. This is done in partnership with LCC Jobs & Skills. DJ to obtain a named contact for this for JB as this information is not necessarily filtering down to those working in the area.</p> <p>4.6 Thorpe Park application to be discussed at next meeting.</p>	<p>DJ</p> <p>CG</p> <p>JB</p> <p>DJ</p> <p>CG</p> <p>DJ</p>
9.00	<p>TIME AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>9.1 Monday 21st January, 2pm at the Reginald Centre</p>	