

INNER EAST PLANNING SUB GROUP
DATE/ TIME : 22nd May 2013; Civic Hall (Room B)
CHAIR: Cllr Brain Selby

1.0 Present: Councillor Brian Selby (Cllr BS), Andrew Birkbeck (AB - Area Officer, LCC) Andrew Crates (AC – Principal Planner, LCC)

Apologies: Councillor Arif Hussain, Councillor Asghar Khan

ITEM DISCUSSED	ACTION
2.0 <u>Minutes and matters arising</u>	
2.1 In the absence of Cllr Khan, Cllr Selby agreed to chair the meeting.	AB
2.2 The minutes were agreed as a true record barring an amendment to minute 2.3 regarding to Seacroft Hospital. AC explained that two determination applications had been approved for the demolition of a records store building and the boiler house.	
2.3 In relation to item 3.1, AB agreed to make contact with the Locality Team with regards to the land in front of Lincoln Green Health Centre that is currently an eye sore – further clarification needed as to the exact location of the site in question.	AB
3.0 <u>Significant development updates</u>	
3.1 It was agreed that AC would provide a full briefing at a future planning sub group meeting relating to the proposed Clean Power site on Bridgewater Road. At the present time the applicant needed to do more work on their planning application. The Clean Power website has more details on their proposals: http://leedsenergy.info/index.html	AC
3.2 Discussions with the applicants were on-going regarding the new mixed-use proposal at Thorpe Park. AC explained that officers were mindful of the potential impact on the surrounding Town and District Centres.	
3.3 York Road Library, which is now owned by Rushbond PLC, is currently been investigated by the council's Conservation Team. An update will be forthcoming from AC at a future planning sub group meeting.	AC
3.4 Discussions relating to the Killingbeck Fire Station site were continuing and were currently with the council's Chief Executive. Cllr Selby said he hoped that some form of affordable housing provision could be factored into the proposals for any vacated sites.	
3.5 AC circulated three maps relating to shop frontages at Seacroft Centre, Harehills Lane and Harehills Corner. AC explained that the existing frontages policy was still governed by the Leeds Unitary Development Plan (UDP) and	AC

	as a result was somewhat dated. AC did explain that the shop frontage policy is due to be updated when the council's Core Strategy is formally adopted next year (anticipated Spring 2014). AC said he would bring the maps to the next meeting of the planning sub group to run by Cllr Hussain and Cllr Khan.	
3.6	New powers relating to permitted development rights will come into place on 30 th May 2013. These new powers allow the lawful change of use of one type of classified development (retail, commercial etc) into another for a limited period of two years. Under the new powers householders can also make certain types of minor changes to their house without needing to apply for planning permission i.e. 6m extension on semi-detached and terraced houses. AC explained that due to the nature of permitted development the council could not charge a planning fee for processing these requests and that the applicant would not be required to produce a full planning application. Cllr Selby expressed concern that disputes could arise between neighbours as a result of these proposals and he requested that planning officers produce an urgent briefing for Members on both the potential costs and implications of new powers for Leeds City Council.	AC
4.0	<u>Any other business</u>	
4.1	Agenda items for the next planning sub group meeting will be any opportunities to encourage the development of employment and skills via the planning process and an update on the site allocations consultation. AB to invite the relevant Officers to the next meeting.	AB
4.2	AB to arrange that the agenda and meeting notification are sent out in good time to ensure maximum attendance at future planning sub group meetings.	AB
5.0	<u>Time and date of next meeting</u>	
5.1	Next meeting to be arranged in early July. AB to circulate dates and times to Members and Officers.	AB