

MARYPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning & Economic Development Committee held on Monday 12 June 2023 at the Town Hall, Senhouse Street, Maryport, at 7.00pm.

Present

Councillor S Ashworth	Councillor C Bell
Councillor I Greaney	Councillor Ms J Hastewell
Councillor G Kemp	Councillor Mrs C McCarron Holmes
Councillor S Merrin	Councillor G Mitchell
Councillor W Pegram	Councillor Mrs L Radcliffe
Councillor Ms C Slater, (Chairman)	

In Attendance

P Bramley, (Clerk)
L Douglas, (Clerk)
V Patterson (Press)
Member of Public

1/23 Apologies for Absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor J Newton.

2/23 Declarations of Interest

None received.

3/23 Requests for Dispensation

None received.

4/23 Minutes of Meeting held on 24 April 2023

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 24 April 2023 be agreed, & signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

5/23 Wave Centre Swimming Pool Cancellation

A report was received from Cumberland Council Strategic Adviser, Programmes, Maryport Regeneration on Cumberland Council Executive's decision to not proceed with the development of a swimming pool at The Wave Centre, Maryport, together with proposed alternative development being considered.

It was reported that the development of the Swimming Pool would not go ahead following significant capital cost increases, but principally because the overall running costs of the pool following completion could not be afforded. It was reported that construction costs had risen by over 40%, & that the other pools in the area and neighbouring towns would not have been sustainable if a pool had been provided in Maryport. Members asked a number of questions to aid their understanding of the position, which were suitably answered.

Mr Hewitson reported on the alternative applications of the available funding under consideration & advised that, contrary to some information placed in the public arena, the funding was not in danger of being recouped by the government. He reported that ideas such as upgrading the Shiver Me Timbers Play Area & developing the adjoining land to host occasional markets had been suggested, together with upgrading the former toilet block on Maryport promenade to include a cafe facility, subject to any areas being accepted by the relevant government department. Town Council members were concerned that the community was given the opportunity to contribute to proposals & Mr Hewitson advised that it was planned to hold an open day event which would take place in the Wave Centre on 27th & 28th June 2023. The Council also expressed its wishes that young people in the community should be involved in any consultation efforts.

Resolved that Mr Hewitson be thanked for his presentation & asked to ensure that efforts were made to engage with the community in considering alternative proposals.

6/23 Planning Applications

Resolved that the following observations against each planning application be forwarded to the appropriate Planning authority:

1) FUL/2023/0082 Change of use from agricultural to garden area with dog kennel
Z Dymond
Eagle gill Farm, Eagle Gyll
Flimby
Maryport
Concerns with boundary management & proximity to livestock

2) _____ HOU/2023/0090 Proposed rear
extension, (Resubmission of
HOU/2022/0207)
M Groves
2 Cherry Tree Drive
Maryport
No Objections

- 3) _____ HOU/2023/0034 Erection of new
ground floor extension to provide new living
space
Ben Harrison
32 Grange Avenue
Flimby
Maryport
No Objections
- 4) FUL/2023/0093 Erection of multipurpose stable and
Agricultural building
M Kirkbride
Land adjacent to Willows Farm
Flimb
**Objections to the proposal, the
application had previously been the
subject of an appeal to the Secretary of
state. The barn was considered too
big and it encroached onto other
property. Previous observations were
still considered relevant**
- 5) HOU/2023/0078 Retrospective planning for two sheds
A Pavitt
Alba House
148 High Street
Maryport
No Objections
- 6) _____ FUL/2023/0114 New shop front, glazed
window & entrance door
Herish Properties Ltd
102 Senhouse Street
Maryport
**Object, this is a conservation area and
the style needed to be in keeping with
conservation rules.**
- 7) HOU/2023/0069 Alteration to dormer window
Ferguson
131 King Street
Maryport
No Objections

- 8) LBC/2023/0016 To carry out essential works to the exterior fabric of the Station Inn. Summary of proposed works: Replace both main & flat roofs; Render around entire building; Replace/repair/splice some windows; Replace external doorways
Mario Deliver
Station Inn
Flat 2
Main Road
Maryport
No Objections
- 9) FUL/2023/0119 Replacement of windows & doors that are beyond repair
Mario Deliver
Station Inn
Flat 2
Main Road
Maryport
No Objections
- 10) FUL/2023/0106 Change of use of vacant store to six
M Mitchell
8 The Arches
Maryport
**No Objections in principle,
Parking and access may be an issue.**

7/23 Planning Decision Notices

Resolved that the following Planning Decisions be noted:

- 1) FUL/2023/0076 Demolition of dwelling and construction of residential development 5 dwellings
Church St/ Fleming Street
Maryport
APPROVED
- 2) HOU/2023/0090 Erection of rear extension, (resubmission of HOU/2022/0207)
Matthew Groves
2 Cherrytree Drive
Maryport
APPROVED

8/23 Correspondence

Resolved that the schedule of correspondence be received & noted & that:

- 1) No comments be offered on Cumberland Council Consultation of licensing policy 2023-2028 and Gambling Act 2005- Consultation on statement of gambling policy.
- 2) No objections be offered on the proposed Flimby Carnival Road Closure.

9/23 Maryport Regeneration

Resolved that it be noted that no meetings had taken place since the Council's previous Planning & Economic Development meeting

10/23 Bus Service 60 Skinburness to Maryport

Resolved that the Council write to the providers of Service 60, Ellenvale, to express its disappointment at the removal of the service, noting that visitors and residents alike would no longer have access to public transport between Skinburness and Maryport.

11/23 Maryport Traffic Regulation Order, (C McCarron Holmes)

Resolved that the Council contact the appropriate Cumberland Council Director with responsibility for Highways & request that Cumberland Council carries out a comprehensive review of Maryport's traffic regulations in the near future.

12/23 Items for Next Agenda

None Received

Following the meeting, a meeting of the Allotment Committee took place.

Signed

Chairman

Date