PLANNING COMMITTEE

Thursday, 2 July 2009

<u>Present:</u> Councillor D Elderton (Chair)

Councillors M Redfern J George

P Hayes J Salter
P Johnson A Jennings
S Mountney D Mitchell
J Crabtree D Kirwan

Deputies: Councillors C Meaden (In place of B Kenny)

A Taylor (In place of M Redfern)

25 **MINUTES**

The Director of Law, HR and Asset Management submitted the minutes of the meeting held on 11 June 2009.

Resolved - That the minutes be received.

26 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members of the Committee were asked whether they had any personal or prejudicial interests in connection with any application on the agenda and, if so, to declare them and state the nature of the interest.

Councillor Jennings declared a prejudicial interest in application 20086554 – Willow Farm, Thornton Hough by virtue of having expressed an interest in this matter previously and left the meeting while it was considered.

27 REQUESTS FOR SITE VISITS

Members were requested to ask for any site visits they wished to arrange.

No site visits were requested.

28 20086554 - ALTERATIONS AND EXTENSION TO EXISTING DWELLING; DEMOLITION AND REBUILD OF ADJACENT OUTBUILDING FOR USE AS ANCILLARY GRANNY ACCOMMODATION TOGETHER WITH THE DEMOLITION OF ALL SURPLUS OUTBUILDINGS (AMENDED DESCRIPTION) AT WILLOW FARM, THORNTON COMMON ROAD, THORNTON HOUGH

The Director of Technical Services submitted the above application for consideration.

A ward councillor addressed the committee.

It was moved by Councillor Elderton and seconded that the application be refused.

The motion was put and carried 5:0.

Resolved - (5:0) That the application be refused for the following reason;

The proposal results in an unacceptable increase in floor area that exceeds 50% and is therefore unacceptable in terms of Wirral's adopted Unitary Development Plan Policy GB5.

29 **20095536 - RETENTION OF COVERED PERGOLA TO REAR COURTYARD AT**MERSEY CLIPPER PUBLIC HOUSE, 17 PRENTON ROAD WEST, PRENTON

The Director of Technical Services submitted the above application for consideration.

A ward councillor addressed the committee.

<u>Resolved</u> – That the application be approved subject to the following conditions;

- 1 The covered area beneath the pergola as shown on plan DR/2009/029/002 shall not be used for any purpose or activity between 20.00 hours and 08.00 hours.
- 2 Prior to completion of development, details of the siting, height and materials of an acoustic barrier to the perimeter of the pergola shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the Local Planning Authority. The acoustic barrier shall be erected as agreed within three months of approval of the details and retained as such thereafter.
- 3 There shall be no external speakers, outdoor television or amplified voices or music within the application site.

30 THE VALIDATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS - PROPOSED VALIDATION CHECKLIST

The Director of Technical Services submitted a report informing members of the changes proposed to the Local Planning Authority Validation Checklist.

He requested that Members approve the national and local checklists as amended following consultation and that they be adopted for use by the Technical Services Directorate.

<u>Resolved</u> – That, having been subject to public consultation, the revised Validation Checklists be agreed and that their adoption for the purposes of development control be approved.