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## PLANNING COMMITTEE

**Minutes of a Meeting held on Wednesday 29 June 2016 at 6.00pm at Council Chamber, Town Hall, Matlock.**

### PRESENT

Councillor Garry Purdy - In the Chair

Councillors Jason Atkin, Sue Burfoot, Tom Donnelly, Graham Elliott, Richard FitzHerbert, Chris Furness, Neil Horton, Tony Morley, Mike Ratcliffe, Lewis Rose, OBE, Peter Slack and Joanne Wild.

Sandra Lamb (Head of Corporate Services), Jon Bradbury (Development Manager) and Jackie Cullen (Committee Assistant).

**18** members of the public.

### APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Sue Bull, Albert Catt and Tony Millward. There were no Substitute Members.

### 79/16 – MINUTES

It was moved by Councillors Garry Purdy, seconded by Councillor Tom Donnelly and

**RESOLVED**  
(unanimously)

That the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 14 June 2016 be approved as a correct record.

The Minutes were signed by the Chairman.

**80/16 – APPLICATION 14/00224/FUL - ALTERNATIVE SCHEME OF 3 WIND TURBINES WITH HEIGHT TO BLADE TIP OF UP TO 100M (HUB HEIGHT 59M) AND ASSOCIATED SUBSTATION BUILDING, NEW AND UPGRADED ACCESS TRACK FROM MANYSTONES LANE AND B5056, HARDSTANDINGS, TEMPORARY COMPOUNDS AND ASSOCIATED WORKS – TO BE CONSIDERED AS PART OF PUBLIC INQUIRY APPEAL PROCEEDINGS (APPEAL REFERENCE APP/P1045/W/15/3130874) INTO THE REFUSAL OF APPLICATION 14/00224/FUL**

Members visited the site prior to the meeting to allow them to fully appreciate the impact on the landscape and the setting of the Peak District National Park.

The Development Manager drew Members' attention to the late representations received after publication of the agenda, as distributed at the meeting. This comprised 14 new letters of support, together with a statement from Mr Adlam-Styles, Ible Parish representative, objecting to the proposal.

In accordance with the procedure for public participation, the following members of the public addressed the meeting:

- Mr Chris Fridlington (Peak District NPA – Consultee) commented on the application; Mr Andy Tickle (CPRE Peak District & S.Yorks), Mrs Barbara Allsop (Resident), Dr Peter Owens (Resident) and Mr Robert Wragg (Resident) spoke against the application;
- Mr Andre Collins (Wirksworth Transition Group), Mr Fred Knight (Resident), Mr Ian Lomas (Resident), Mrs Pat Horrocks, on behalf of Mrs Barbara Wayne (Resident) and Mr Peter Frampton (Agent) spoke in favour of the application.

It was moved by Councillor Mike Ratcliffe, seconded by Councillor Tony Morley and

**RESOLVED** That, had the Committee been asked to consider the planning merits of an alternative development of 3 turbines they would have been minded to refuse it for the reasons stated in the report.

**Voting:**

<b>For</b>	11
<b>Against</b>	2
<b>Abstentions</b>	0

**81/16 – APPLICATION 15/00370/FUL - ERECTION OF WIND TURBINE 77 METRES TO BLADE TIP (50M TO HUB), WITH ASSOCIATED ACCESS TRACK, CRANE HARDSTANDING, ELECTRICAL CABINET AND CABLE RUN**

Members visited the site prior to the meeting to allow them to fully appreciate the impact on the landscape character.

The Development Manager drew Members' attention to the late representation received after publication of the agenda, as distributed at the meeting. This comprised comments from Derbyshire County Council, Highways, regarding the plans for a revised access arrangement.

In accordance with the procedure for public participation, Dr Peter Owens (Resident) spoke against the application and Mr Steve Birks (Agent) spoke in favour of the application.

During discussion of this item, the Chair adjourned the meeting briefly to enable Officers to take advice from the Agent with regard to clarification of the benefits to production cost provided by the renewable energy that would be generated by the scheme.

It was moved by Councillor Richard FitzHerbert, seconded by Councillor Peter Slack and

**RESOLVED** That planning permission be granted for the reason set out below:

**Reason:** The application would not result in significant harm to the character and appearance of the landscape and setting of the Peak District National Park, and would not have an overbearing impact on the use of the High Peak Trail.

**Voting:**

<b>For</b>	3
<b>Against</b>	10
<b>Abstentions</b>	0

The Chairman declared the motion LOST.

It was then moved by Councillor Lewis Rose, OBE, seconded by Councillor Joanne Wild and

**RESOLVED** That planning permission be refused for the reasons set out in the report.

**Voting:**

<b>For</b>	10
<b>Against</b>	3
<b>Abstentions</b>	0

The Chairman declared the motion carried.

**MEETING CLOSED 8.05PM**

**CHAIRMAN**