

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
HELD AT NELSON TOWN HALL  
ON 12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER, 2015**

*PRESENT –*

*Councillor K. Hartley (Chairman – in the Chair)*

**Councillors**

*E. Ansar  
M. Goulthorp  
Y. Iqbal  
J. Starkie*

*G. Waugh  
D. Whalley (substitute for M. Arshad)  
D. Whipp  
P. White (substitute for S. Cockburn- Price)  
N. Younis*

**Officers in attendance**

<i>Neil Watson</i>	<i>Planning, Building Control and Licensing Control Manager</i>
<i>Howard Culshaw</i>	<i>Solicitor</i>
<i>Sarah Waterworth</i>	<i>Committee Administrator</i>

*(Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M. Arshad, S. Cockburn-Price and G. Roach)*



*The following people attended the meeting and spoke on the items indicated –*

<i>Jerry Stanford</i>	<i>Planning Appeals Against</i>	<i>Minute No.10</i>
<i>Dr Mark Turner</i>	<i>Refusals of 13/12/0397P</i>	
	<i>Erection of 90 and 270 houses</i>	
	<i>on land at Windermere Avenue</i>	
	<i>Colne</i>	

**7. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Members were reminded of the legal requirements concerning the declaration of interests.

**8. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED**

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2015 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**9. EXCLUSION OF PUBLIC AND PRESS**

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That in pursuance of the power contained in Section 100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act, 1972, as amended, the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the next item of business on the grounds that if a member of the public and

press were present during consideration of the item, there would be disclosure to them of exempt information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person.

- (2) That the members of public who had requested to speak be allowed to make a statement prior to the exclusion on public and press.

**10. PLANNING APPEALS AGAINST REFUSALS OF 13/12/0397P – ERECTION OF 90 AND 270 HOUSES ON LAND AT WINDERMERE AVENUE, COLNE**

The Planning, Building Control and Licensing Manager submitted a report which informed Members of the submission of the appeals and to appraise the Committee of the advice received from Counsel. Members were asked to determine the course of action and the case for dealing with the Appeal.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) That the Council does not contest the highways aspect of either of the Appeals and delegates negotiations on withdrawing this from the appeal to the Planning, Building Control and Licensing Manager.

**REASON**

***There is no tenable highways case to pursue and no highways consultancy has indicated there is a case and that they will represent the Council. Withdrawal of the highways reason for refusal will reduce and minimise the exposure the Council has on an award of costs.***