MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD AT PENDLE HIPPODROME, COLNE ON 18TH JULY 2023

PRESENT -

His Worship the Mayor – Councillor B. Newman Councillor M. Adnan (Chair)

Councillors

- S. Ahmed
- D. Albin
- N. Ashraf
- M. Aslam
- D. Gallear
- D. Lord
- K. McGladdery
- A. Sutcliffe
- D. Whipp

Also present

- D. Cockburn-Price
- S. Cockburn-Price

Officers

N. Watson Assistant Director Planning, Building Control & Regulatory Services

E. Barker Head of Legal Services
J. Eccles Committee Administrator

(Apologies for absence were received from Councillor. Y. Iqbal.)

The following people attended the meeting and spoke on the item indicated -

M. Thomas 22/0790/OUT Outline: Major: Development Minute No. 7

M. Chung of 150 new homes; refurbishment and
E. Crickmore extension of an existing pump house
E. Lane building and its change of use to a Class E
A. Bedford or Class F community use; formation of a
J. Stanford new means of access onto Windermere
S. Morgan-Hyland Avenue; alterations to an existing means of

G. Lee access onto Castle Road; and other

J. Hartley associated works (Access only) at land off

S. Dale Windermere Avenue, Colne

W. Reynolds A. Birkinshaw

J. Birchenough

V. Pannell M. Wellock

M. Turner

I. Chapman

5. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

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

6. MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 20th June 2023 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Assistant Director Planning, Building Control and Regulatory Services submitted a report of the following planning application for determination -

22/0790/OUT Outline: Major: Development of 150 new homes; refurbishment and extension of an existing pump house building and its change of use to a Class E or Class F community use; formation of a new means of access onto Windermere Avenue; alterations to an existing means of access onto Castle Road; and other associated works (Access only) at land off Windermere Avenue, Colne

As this application was for a housing development of over 60 houses it had been brought to this Committee, rather than the area committee, for determination. Colne and District Committee had commented on the application at their meeting on 2nd February 2023 and recommended that the application be refused for a number of reasons.

The report recommended that Members refuse the application. A planning update had been circulated prior to the meeting reporting additional comments from LCC Highways, Lidgett and Beyond and the applicant. The Planning Officer's recommendation remained to refuse the application.

RESOLVED

That planning permission be **refused** for the following reason –

- 1. The proposed development would result in the unacceptable loss of a prominent greenfield site to the east of the settlement of Colne that currently makes a significant contribution to the landscape character and quality of the area. The development would lead to a poor relationship with the town and countryside. In visual terms, there would be unacceptable impacts on views looking towards the application site, in particular from the opposite side of the valley and for users on the footpaths approaching and passing through the site. The proposed development would be contrary to policies LIV1, ENV1, ENV 2 of the adopted Pendle Local Plan (Core Strategy), policies 13 and 20 of the adopted Replacement Pendle Local Plan, polices CNDP 13 and CNDP 14 of the emerging Colne Neighbourhood Plan and paragraph 137 of the National Planning Policy Framework.
- 2. The development would lead to unacceptable harm to the ecological value of the area with specific harm to the ornithological value of the site. The development would thus be contrary to policy ENV1 of the adopted Pendle Local Plan Core Strategy and paragraph 180 of the

National Planning Policy Framework.	
CHAIRMAN	

Development Management Committee (18.07.2023)