

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY COUNCIL

CRAMLINGTON, BEDLINGTON AND SEATON VALLEY LOCAL AREA COUNCIL

At the meeting of the **Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council** held at Council Chamber - County Hall on Wednesday, 22 June 2022 at 4:00 pm.

PRESENT

M Swinburn (Chair) (in the Chair)

MEMBERS

P Ezhilchelvan
S Lee
R Wilczek

B Flux
C Taylor

OFFICERS

H Bowers
T Crowe
J Murphy
R Soulsby

Democratic Services Officer
Solicitor
South East DM Area Manager
Planning Officer

15 **PROCEDURE AT PLANNING MEETINGS**

The Chair outlined the procedure which would be followed at the meeting.

16 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Bowman, Chicken, Daley, Dunbar, Ferguson and Robinson.

17 **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Cramlington, Bedlington and Seaton Valley Local Area Council, held on 18 May 2022, as circulated, were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

(Councillor Wilczek in the Chair).

Ch.'s Initials.....

18 **DETERMINATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Councillor Wilczek, Vice-Chair Planning introduced the report which requested the Committee to decide the planning applications attached to the report using the powers delegated to it. Members were reminded of the principles which should govern their consideration of the applications, the procedure for handling representations, the requirement of conditions and the need for justifiable reasons for the granting of permission or refusal of planning applications.

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

19 **21/03369/FUL**

Ryan Soulsby, Planning Officer introduced the planning application and provided the following update:-

One support comment had been received by a member of the public regarding the shortage of bungalows in the region and the proposed development would address the shortage.

Mr Soulsby continued to introduce the planning applicant with the aid of a presentation.

(Councillor Ezhilchelvan joined the meeting at 4:04 pm).

For the benefit of Councillor Ezhilchelvan, the Planning Officer repeated the update.

In response to questions from Members of the Committee, the following information was provided:-

- The application had been brought to Committee as West Bedlington Parish Council had objected and the part of the land was under NCC ownership.
- The egress was already well used with a crossing and access points
- Highways recognised the hedgerows but had raised no objection. The access would be moved slightly north with the existing access to be closed.

Councillor Flux proposed that the application be approved in line with the recommendations in the report. This was seconded by Councillor Lee.

Councillor Flux commented that there had been no objections from members of the public and this type of development would provide much needed bungalows. This was agreed by Councillor Swinburn, who stated that the application be granted and was unanimously agreed.

RESOLVED that the application be **GRANTED** permission subject to a unilateral undertaking in relation to contributions to the Coastal Mitigation Scheme (£5,535), together with the conditions outlined in the report.

Ch.'s Initials.....

20 **APPEALS UPDATE**

RESOLVED that the information be noted.

21 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 20 July 2022.

CHAIR.....

DATE.....

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