

PLANNING AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING Thursday, 5th November 2020

PRESENT: Councillor Shakil Ahmed (in the Chair); Councillors Burke, Davidson, Susan Emmott, Massey, Mir, O'Neill, Rashid, Rush, Taylor, Wazir, Zaheer and Zaman.

OFFICERS: N. Rogers, C. Woods (Neighbourhoods Directorate), P. Moore, E. Heron (Economy Directorate), J. Holmes, L. Adams, Z. Latif and P. Thompson (Resources Directorate).

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Nolan, Councillor Donna Williams and one member of the public.

29 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Rana.

30 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Burke declared a personal interest in submitted planning application planning application 20/00805/FUL - 5 Market Place, Middleton.

Councillor Rush declared a personal interest in submitted planning application planning application 20/00805/FUL - 5 Market Place, Middleton.

Councillor O'Neill declared a personal interest in submitted planning application planning application 20/00805/FUL - 5 Market Place, Middleton.

31 MINUTES

Resolved:

That the Minutes of the meetings of the Planning and Licensing Committee held 1st October 2020 and 13th October 2020 be approved, as correct records.

32 STATEMENT OF LICENSING POLICY 2021-2026

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Neighbourhoods that sought approval of the authority's Statement of Licensing Policy 2021-2026. The Council was required to determine and publish a Statement of Licensing Policy every five years in order to meet its statutory obligations. The determination and publishing of such was required to be undertaken by January 2021.

The purpose of the policy statement was to define how the Council's responsibilities under the Licensing Act 2003 were going to be exercised and administered.

Under the terms of the Act the Council was required to consult with the public on any proposed changes to the Policy. The report outlined that one consultation response had been received on the Council's draft Statement of Licensing Policy, which had been duly considered, and sought agreement

from members on amendments where necessary and to recommend adoption of the policy to full Council.

Resolved:

1. The Committee notes the response received on the consultation exercise.
2. The Committee endorses the proposed changes to the Authority's Statement of Licensing Policy 2021-2026.
1. The Committee approves the amended Statement of Licensing Policy 2021-2026 and recommend that the policy be approved and formally adopted by the Cabinet and Council.

33 5 MARKET PLACE, MIDDLETON

The Head of Planning presented planning application 20/00805/FUL, for a change of use of premises from financial and professional services (A2) to a nightclub (Sui Generis) at 5 Market Place, Middleton.

The Committee received representations from Mr. E. Ndenguma, the applicant, who addressed Members in support of the application.

The Committee were addressed by Councillors Nolan and Donna Williams, North Middleton Ward Members, in whose Ward the proposed development was located.

Resolved:

That planning permission be refused due to the possibility of anti-social behaviour occurring in and around the vicinity of the application site, if planning permission was to be granted. Anti-social behaviour was considered by the Committee to be a material fact which would have a negative impact on the conservation area where the site under consideration is located.

34 PLANNING APPEALS

The Head of Planning submitted a report which detailed planning applications, listed below, that had recently been determined by the Planning Inspectorate:-

- a. 115 Spotland Road, Rochdale
- b. New Birtle Farm, Birtle Road, Birtle, Bury
- c. 383 Albert Royds Street, Rochdale
- d. 663 Oldham Road, Rochdale
- e. Lidl Store, Littleborough
- f. 173 Rooley Moor Road, Rochdale
- g. 776 Manchester Road, Castleton

Resolved:

That the report be noted.