

**PRUDHOE TOWN COUNCIL**

**DRAFT Minutes of Planning, Contract and Works committee, held at Spetchells Centre at 7.00pm, 11<sup>th</sup>  
April 2018**

**Present:** Cllr Jennifer McGee (Chair), Cllr Russ Greig, Cllr Chris Cuthbert, Cllr Andy Gill, Cllr Angie Scott, Cllr Gerry Price, Cllr Glenn Simpson, Cllr Bryan Futers and Cllr Duncan Crouchman. Independent Clerk, Monica Anderton also present.

**1718/PO164: Apologies for absence:** Cllr Carol Stephenson, Cllr Yvonne Ritchie and Cnty Cllr Dale.

**1718/PO165: Declarations of Interest:** None

**1718/PO166: Report of Planning, Contract & Works committee held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018:** To note that this was received by full Council.

**1718/PO167: Matters Arising:** None

**1718/PO168: Planning Matters: A:** to consider applications received since the last meeting:

**Prudhoe Castle & Eltringham Ward: 18/00844/FUL:** Single storey extensions to front and side elevations, 1<sup>st</sup> floor extension and amended rear two storey extension at 32, Rowan Grove: This is linked with previous applications one of which is still with the Secretary of State.

**Objected** to on grounds of loss of light, overshadowing, loss of privacy and overlooking as neighbour's property is at least 4ft lower than the applicant's property.

**Prudhoe Hall Ward: 18/010134/FUL:** 21 Park Lane: Ground floor extension and pitched porch roof.

**Supported**

**West Wylam Ward: 18/00980/FUL:** Eastwood Villas: replace a flat roof with a pitched roof on existing extension

**Supported**

**18/00758/ADE:** New advertisement sign changed from SCA Hygiene UK to Essity UK Ltd.

**Supported**

**Prudhoe Hall Ward: 18/00808/FUL:** 28 Moorlands: Proposed side extension and front and rear ground extension: **Supported** by majority

**Mickley Ward: 18/00924/FUL:** West Road, Erection of glazed balustrade

**Supported**

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**B) To receive recent planning decisions:**

**Castle & Eltringham Ward:** 65 Castle Road, 18/00285/FUL: 2 storey side extension

**GRANTED**

**Castle & Eltringham Ward:** 12 Cross Street, 18/00452/FUL: Ground floor extension

**GRANTED**

**Prudhoe Hall Ward:** Durham Riding Cottage: 18/00328/FUL: Single storey extension

**GRANTED**

**Mickley Ward:** Cara Cottage: 18/00378/FUL: New stables and garage/storage building

**APPLICATION PERMITTED**

**West Wylam Ward:** 62 Woodhead Road, 18/00345/FUL: Double storey extension

**APPLICATION PERMITTED**

**STILL OUTSTANDING**

**Prudhoe Hall Ward,** 18/00695/FUL: retrospective Installation of play equipment, Humbles Wood Site

**PTC OBJECTED ON THE GROUNDS OF LOSS OF PRIVACY:** No objection in principle to equipment but to the siting of it.

**Prudhoe West & Halfway Ward,** 18/00347/FUL: Provision of 4 houses on land east of Tulip Street

**PTC ADDED NO COMMENT** – further information required

**Prudhoe Hall Ward,** 18/00565/VARYCO: Removal of Condition 12 (Contamination/Pollution) pursuant to planning application 14/01047/FUL

**PTC OBJECTED ON THE GROUNDS OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND PROTECTION:** out of date information provided.

**1718/PO169: Dog Fouling:** This is a major issue and the public view is that people who break the law should be fined There is no room in the current budget for an enforcement officer but it is proposed, and agreed by all, that there should be a detailed investigation into what other neighbouring councils do to control dog waste; to look at the costs of various options such as employing an enforcement officer or sharing one with other councils or coming to an arrangement with NCC; all to be done before the next budget is to be considered. It was also agreed that the East Tynedale Forum councils would be asked to forward their solutions, if any, to the Acting Clerk. Cllr Price also suggested that the HR Committee should look at any Employment issues that might arise.

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**Extraordinary Item**

**1718/PO170: NCC West Northumberland Schools Consultation:** The due date for receipt of comments has passed but the Acting Clerk had asked Cllr Wayne Daly of NCC if a late comment could be submitted as there was a lot of strong feeling amongst councillors in Prudhoe. He had not yet returned an answer to this request but it was agreed to write a response that could be submitted if he said it was permissible. The general consensus from the Town Council is that it cannot support the existing proposals: rural schools are also a lifeline for their communities; the proposals appear to be closing the good schools and leaving the bad ones; it is suggested that NCC re-consult with some more specific and acceptable proposals.

The meeting closed at 8.00pm