

East Yorkshire Planners User Group

Minutes of Meeting held at County Hall, Beverley on 12th October 2018 at 3pm.

Present: Stephen Hunt, Stephen Cook (ERYC) Killian Gallagher, Gemma Owston, Jo Wright and Nik Wilson (Agents)

1 Apologies: None

2 Matters arising from previous minutes: The new ERYC pre app forms and the interactive constraints map will go live by the end of October as part of a refresh of the whole Planning and Building Control website. Agents will be notified via email once the new website has gone live.

3 Validations Update: Validations are now taking c. 2 – 3 days from submission of the application. This is a significant improvement which is in part due to new staff members and a slight reduction in volume of applications. If an applicant/agent has difficulty in addressing the reasons for invalidation within 21 days, the agent can ask the Council for an extension to the 21 day period.

4 Planning Portal Fees: The new payment system is causing frustration amongst agents. The Council hasn't noticed a significant drop off in the numbers of people using the planning portal but will be monitoring the situation.

5 Pre – Commencement Conditions: In accordance with new national legislation the Council has rolled out the new system whereby pre-commencement conditions are discussed in advance of a decision being issued (further detail was emailed to all agents on 5 October). Evidence to date suggests the system is working well.

6 Policy Update: The Local Plan Review Options Document will be published for consultation in November. There will be a call for sites and detailed land bid form to complete should agents wish to submit any existing or new sites for consideration.

7 Personnel Changes: 4 x Senior Officers (P Robinson, A Barrett, D Kearney, J Slater) have been appointed/promoted in the development management teams. Two new DSAs will be joining the LPA next month. Please see attached an updated telephone list (all numbers are 01482 39****).

8. AOB: The House Extension Design Guide remains in use but is not a formally adopted SPD. There have been some delays in consultation responses from the Valuations and Estates Team.

9. Date of Next Meeting: Friday 18 January 2019: 3 pm at County Hall, Beverley.

Agents wishing to place agenda items please contact Killian Gallagher on killian@gallagherplanning.co.uk or call Killian on 07392415369.