

Minutes of a meeting of the Development Control and Regulatory Board held at County Hall, Glenfield on Thursday, 16 June 2022.

PRESENT

Mr. R. G. Allen CC	Mr. D. J. Grimley CC
Mr. M. H. Charlesworth CC	Mr. D. Harrison CC
Mr. J. G. Coxon CC	Mr. B. Lovegrove CC
Mrs. H. J. Fryer CC	Mr. L. Phillimore CC
Mr. D. A. Gamble CC	Mr. C. A. Smith CC

1. Appointment of Chairman.

It was noted that Mr. J. G. Coxon CC had been appointed Chairman-elect at the Annual Meeting of the County Council on 18 May 2022.

RESOLVED:

That Mr. J. G. Coxon CC be appointed Chairman of the Development Control and Regulatory Board until the date of the Annual Meeting of the County Council in 2023.

Mr. J. G. Coxon CC - in the Chair.

2. Election of Deputy Chairman.

It was proposed, and seconded "That Mr. L. Phillimore CC be appointed Deputy-Chairman".

RESOLVED:

That Mr. L. Phillimore CC be appointed Deputy-Chairman of the Development Control and Regulatory Board until the date of the Annual Meeting of the County Council in 2023.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2022 were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

4. Question Time.

The Chief Executive reported that no questions had been received under Standing Order 34.

5. Questions asked by Members.

The Chief Executive reported that no questions had been received under Standing Order 7(3) and 7(5).

6. Urgent items.

There were no urgent items for consideration.

7. Declarations of interest.

The Chairman invited members who wished to do so to declare any interest in respect of items on the agenda for the meeting.

It was noted that all members who were members of a Parish, Town or District Council, or Liaison Committee would have personal interests in applications which related to areas covered by those authorities.

No declarations were made.

8. Presentation of petitions.

The Chief Executive reported that no petitions had been received under Standing Order 35.

9. 2022/0357/02 (2022/Reg3Ma/0010/LCC): Leicestershire County Council - Application for Solar Farm at Poole Farm, Barrow Road, Quorn.

The Board considered a report of the Chief Executive, a copy of which, marked 'Agenda Item 9', is filed with these minutes, along with a supplementary report of a members' site visit which had taken place with regard to the application.

It was noted that the contact details of Quorn Parish Council had changed, and the consultation request for this application had been sent to an outdated email address. Therefore, Quorn Parish Council had now been given until 28 June 2022 to respond in accordance with statutory requirements

It was also noted that there was a typographical error at paragraph 34 of the report which should have referred to an "Exception Test".

The Director of Law and Governance reminded members that although the applicant was Leicestershire County Council they should consider the application in the same manner that they would those from all other applicants.

The local member Mrs. H. Fryer CC stated that she was not aware of any local residents that were unhappy with the proposals, she believed it was a good use of County Council land, and she was happy with the measures that would be taken to ensure the solar farm did not have a negative impact on traffic in the area.

In response to a question from a member it was explained that 40 years was the standard lifespan for solar farms and the equipment they required.

RESOLVED:

That the application be permitted subject to the conditions nos. 1-22 as set out in the appendix to the report, subject to there being no issues of material planning significance raised by Quorn Parish Council during the statutory consultation period, which have not already been assessed in the report.

10. Chairman's announcements.

The Chairman advised that the next meeting of the Board would take place on Thursday 14 July 2022 at 2.00pm.

2.00 - 2.32 pm
16 June 2022

CHAIRMAN