

**Motherwell, 21 March 2005 at 10.30 am.**

A Special Meeting of the **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

**PRESENT**

Councillor J. Coyle, Convener; Councillors McKenna and Wilson, Vice-Conveners; Provost Connelly; Councillors Barrie, Brooks, Devine, Gemmell, Gordon, Gormill, Gray, Hogg, Holloway, Lafferty, McGhee, McKendrick, Maginnis, W. Martin, Pentland and Shaw.

**ALSO PRESENT**

In respect of item (1) – Councillor A. Valentine, Local Member.

**CHAIR**

Councillor J. Coyle (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Committee Officer, Development Control Manager and Traffic and Transportation Team Leader.

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE**

In respect of item (1)

Representing the Applicants

Mr. G. Backovic and Mr. C. Gardiner.

Representing the Objectors

Mrs. A. Welsh, Mrs. E. Graham and Mr. C. Quinn.

In respect of item (2)

Representing the Applicant

Mr. J. Brooks, Mr. W. Gray and Ms. M. Fowler.

Representing the Objector

Mr. C. Young.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors Burns, Gorman, Griffin, Irvine, McCabe, J. McGuigan, Moran and M. Murray.

**PLANNING APPLICATION S/04/02082/FUL - ERECTION OF CLASS 1 RETAIL SUPERSTORE (70,800 SQUARE FEET GROSS) WITH ASSOCIATED ACCESS PARKING, LANDSCAPING AND INFRASTRUCTURE INCLUDING IMPROVEMENT OF PEDESTRIAN LINKS TO THE TOWN CENTRE - WATSONVILLE PLAYING FIELDS, WATSON STREET, MOTHERWELL**

1. With reference to paragraph 1 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 2 March 2005 in so far as it related to planning application S/04/02082/FUL for the erection of a Class 1 Retail

Superstore comprising 70,800 square feet gross, with associated access parking, landscaping and infrastructure, including the improvement of pedestrian links to the town centre at Watsonville Playing Fields, Watson Street, Motherwell, the Committee considered a report (docketed) and supplementary report (docketed) dated 21 March 2005 by the Director of Planning and Environment and thereafter proceeded to hold a hearing.

Consideration was given to oral representations made by the local Member, Councillor Valentine and to representatives of the applicants and objectors who were in attendance for this item. In response to a question by Councillor Holloway, the Development Control Manager advised that the plans submitted by the applicants made no provision for a pick-up point dedicated to Dial-a-Bus and Taxis.

**Decided:** that the application be granted in accordance with the recommendations of the Director of Planning and Environment subject to the conditions contained within his reports dated 21 March 2005, and further subject to the following:-

- (1) that condition 7 be amended as detailed in paragraph 5.2 of the Supplementary report;
- (2) the addition of condition 22 requiring "that before the development hereby permitted starts, details of pick-up and drop-off arrangements for Dial-a-Bus and taxi, be submitted for the written approval of the Planning Authority," and
- (3) that condition 16 be accordingly amended to require "that before the opening of the store hereby permitted, all the parking and manoeuvring areas shown on the approved plans, including those approved under the terms of condition 22, shall be levelled, properly drained, surfaced in a material which the Planning Authority has approved in writing before the start of surfacing work and clearly marked out, and shall, thereafter, be maintained as parking and manoeuvring areas.

**Prior to consideration of the following item of business Councillor Brooks declared a non-pecuniary interest in the application and left the meeting.**

**PLANNING APPLICATION S/04/02018/AMD - NON-COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITIONS 10, 19 AND 20 OF PERMISSION S/02/01490/REM RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF AN ACCESS LINK FROM THE SITE TO THE ADJACENT RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AND ALL ACCESS THEREFOR TO BE TAKEN VIA SCHOOL ROAD - LAND WEST OF MORNINGSIDE ROAD, NEWMAINS, WISHAW**

2. With reference to paragraph 1 of the Minute of the meeting of this Committee held on 2 March 2005 in so far as it related to planning application S/04/02018/AMD for non-compliance with conditions 10, 19 and 20 of permission S/02/01490/REM relating to the provision of an access link from the site to the adjacent residential development and all access therefor to be taken via School Road, on land west of Morningside Road, Newmains, Wishaw, the Committee considered a report (docketed) by the Director of Planning and Environment and thereafter proceeded to hold a hearing.

Consideration was given to oral representations made by the applicants and objectors who were in attendance for this item.

Consideration was also given to additional paper tabled by the applicants in support of their application.

During the course of the discussions, the applicants undertook, as part of the proposed development, to resurface and line the existing car park at School Road.

**Decided:** that the application be granted subject:-

- (1) the condition to the effect "that the existing car park at School Road shall be resurfaced and lined to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority, within six months of the date of this consent, and
- (2) other conditions to be determined by the Director of Planning and Environment.