

**MINUTES of the Planning Committee Meeting
of Denholme Town Council,
held on Tuesday 3 July 2018 at 7.30pm
in the Council Chambers, Mechanics Institute, Denholme**

Present: Councillors: S.Nunn (Chair), M.Foster and D.Miller.
Alison Swiszczowski – Town Clerk.

3518. Ten Minute Rule
There were no members of the public present.

3519. Apologies: None.

3520. Disclosures of Interest: None.

3521. Minutes of Last Meeting
Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 6 March 2017.
The minutes were approved as an accurate and true record and signed by Councillor Nunn accordingly.

Matters Arising
None.

3522. Planning Application
a) 18/01908/FUL Retrospective application Land to West of Sandbeds Farm
Trough Lane Denholme

Resolved: Since August last year a significant amount of work has been carried out at this site, following the initial break out of a new opening onto Trough Lane. A new opening that is not needed as there is an existing access, with double gates, adjacent to the main farmhouse. Having made the new opening, the applicant then proceeded to create a road into the field, with large amounts of material being brought to the site, unsupervised and unmonitored. This roadway then require Milking Hole beck to be culverted, again without any contact with Bradford Council, as confirmed by Mr David Oldcorn. We then had the rather grand entrance to the field built, complete with ornate iron gates. All this has been carried out without any formal approval or permission, just an alleged conversation with an unnamed Highways Officer.

We would like to object on two grounds, firstly if granted, this would set a dangerous precedent that any landowner in the green belt can carry out works including breaking out new openings without any permission or approval and then nearly twelve months after starting apply for retrospective planning approval. Secondly, by creating the opening in that location it is now nearer a left hand bend that is on a crest of a slight rise. The speed limit on Trough Lane is sixty and any vehicle approaching Denholme from Oxenhope will crest this bend and potentially meet slow moving agricultural vehicles accessing the field. Whilst the works were in progress, on at least three occasions cars have been witnessed having to brake severely to avoid accidents with the wagons carrying materials to the site.

Denholme Town Council objects to this application and feels it is unnecessary, constitutes a potential highway hazard and should be rejected.

3523. To receive any update on any major Planning Issues within the Parish Area.
None.

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3524. Enforcement Issues

None.

3525. Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next Planning Committee Meeting was confirmed as **Tuesday 7 August 2018** at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 7.45pm.

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