### WYRE FOREST DISTRICT COUNCIL

## **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

# COUNCIL CHAMBER, WYRE FOREST HOUSE, FINEPOINT WAY, KIDDERMINSTER

## 9TH APRIL 2013 (6.00PM)

#### Present:

Councillors: S J Williams (Chairman), G C Yarranton (Vice-Chairman), J Aston, G W Ballinger, E Davies, B T Glass, I Hardiman, P B Harrison, J A Hart, M J Hart, H J Martin, B McFarland, C D Nicholls, F M Oborski, M Price and M A Salter.

#### Observers:

Councillor J A Shaw.

# PL.107 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D R Godwin and N J Thomas.

# PL.108 Appointment of Substitutes

Councillor G W Ballinger was appointed as a substitute for Councillor N J Thomas. Councillor J A Hart was appointed as a substitute for Councillor D R Godwin.

## PL.109 Declarations of Interests by Members

There were no declarations of interests.

#### PL.110 Minutes

Decision: The minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2013 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

# PL.111 Applications To Be Determined

The Committee considered those applications for determination (now incorporated in Development Control Schedule No. 508 attached).

Decision: The applications now submitted be determined, in accordance with the decisions set out in Development Control Schedule No. 508 attached, subject to incorporation of any further conditions or reasons (or variations) thought to be necessary to give full effect to the Authority's wishes about any particular application.

## PL.112 Applications Pending Decision

The Committee received a schedule of planning and related applications that were pending decision.

Decision: The schedule be noted.

## PL.113 Planning and Related Appeals

The Committee received details of the position with regard to planning and related appeals, still being processed, together with particulars of appeals that had been determined since the date of the last meeting.

Decision: The details be noted.

PL.114 Outline application with some matters reserved for a residential development of up to 106 houses, access, amenity space, associated works and attenuation pond Land at Pearl Lane and South of Longmore Hill, Astley Cross 13/0086/LPAC

The Committee considered a report from the Director of Economic Prosperity and Place that asked the Committee to make a decision on the Planning Consultation received from Malvern Hills District Council in respect of the Outline planning application for residential development of up to 106 houses and all associated works on land at Pearl Lane and South of Longmore Hill, Astley Cross.

#### Decision:

The Committee resolved to respond to the consultation by offering the following OBJECTIONS to the application:

- 1. The proposed residential development of this Greenfield site which is located within the open countryside where development is restricted, is clearly contrary to both Adopted and emerging local planning policies. It is considered that there are sufficient sequentially preferable sites identified to meet housing needs within the Malvern Hills District. The location and scale of this proposal would not represent sustainable development and is therefore wholly inappropriate in its nature.
- 2. The proposed development would be of a scale that would be out of kilter with the size and character of the surrounding village and would effectively create an urban extension to Stourport-on-Severn pushing built development into the open countryside. The effect of this intrusion would significantly harm the character and appearance of the Landscape and the surrounding area as a whole.

The meeting ended at 7.19 p.m.