

Planning Committee

10.00 am, Thursday, 15 May 2014

Present

Councillor Perry (Convener), Howat (Vice-Convener), Bagshaw, Blacklock, Brock, Dixon, Heslop, McVey, Milligan, Mowat, Robson, Rose and Ross.

1. Minutes

Decision

- 1) To approve the minutes of the Planning Committee of 26 and 27 February 2014 as a correct record.
- 2) To approve the minutes of the Development Management Sub-Committee of 26 February, 12, 26 March and 9 April 2014 as correct records.
- 3) To note the minutes of the City of Edinburgh Planning Local Review Body of 5, 19 March, and 2 April 2014

2. New Street Name South of Albion Road and Albion Gardens, Lochend

Approval was sought to name a new street south of Albion Road and Albion Gardens, Lochend.

Thyne Place had been recommended to Ward councillors who rejected it, all three ward members had suggested as an alternative Lawrie Reilly Place, in honour of Lawrance (Lawrie) Reilly, a footballer who played for Hibernian Football Club.

Motion

- 1) In recognition of Lawrie Reilly's sporting achievements for Edinburgh and Scotland, the Committee agrees to name the street Lawrie Reilly Place; and
 - 2) To further agree that the Acting Head of Planning and Building Standards reviews the Statutory Addressing Charter and naming guidelines and report back to the next planning committee.
- moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Howat

Amendment

- 1) To agree that the name Thyne Place be used for this development.
- 2) To agree that the names Reilly, Turnbull and Ormond are added to the Craigentenny /Duddingston name bank for use, at an appropriate time and location.

Voting

For the motion	-	10 votes
For the amendment	-	3 votes

Decision

To approve the motion by Councillor Perry.

(References –report by the Director of Services for Communities, submitted.)

3. Strategic Development Plan Supplementary Guidance on Housing Land

Ratification was sought for the decision made by the SESplan Joint Committee to approve the Supplementary Guidance for submission to Scottish Ministers and to adopt the Guidance following expiration of the 28 day Ministerial consideration period. The Supplementary Guidance provides further detailed information for Local Development Plans on how much of the overall housing land requirement should be met in each of the six member authority areas in the period to 2024.

Motion

- 1) To ratify the decision of the SESplan Joint Committee to approve editorial changes of a non-policy nature to the Supplementary Guidance on Housing Land and its accompanying documents as set out in the appendix to the report by the Director of Services for Communities.
- 2) To ratify the decision of the SESplan Joint Committee to approve the Supplementary Guidance subject to the minor editorial changes and to submit the Guidance to Scottish Ministers.
- 3) To adopt the Supplementary Guidance following the expiration of the 28 day Ministerial period for consideration, unless Scottish Ministers direct otherwise.
 - moved by Councillor Perry, seconded by Councillor Howat

Amendment

- 1) That the Committee not ratify the supplementary guidance.
- 2) To refer the matter back to the SESplan Joint Committee for further consideration in order to address the flaws in the process and in the assumptions used in calculations of housing land need.
 - moved by Councillor Bagshaw, seconded by Councillor Mowat

Voting

For the motion	-	9 votes
For the amendment	-	4 votes

Decision

- 1) To ratify the decision of the SESplan Joint Committee to approve editorial changes of a non-policy nature to the Supplementary Guidance on Housing Land and its accompanying documents as set out in the appendix to the report by the Director of Services for Communities.
- 2) To ratify the decision of the SESplan Joint Committee to approve the Supplementary Guidance subject to the minor editorial changes and to submit the Guidance to Scottish Ministers.
- 3) To adopt the Supplementary Guidance following the expiration of the 28 day Ministerial period for consideration, unless Scottish Ministers direct otherwise.

(References – Planning Committee 23 October 2013 (item 2); report by the Director of Services for Communities, submitted.)

4. Edinburgh BioQuarter and South East Wedge Parkland: Finalised Masterplan

In December 2013 the Planning Committee approved the Supplementary Guidance (SG) for the Edinburgh BioQuarter and the South East Wedge (SEW) Parkland for consultation.

Approval was sought for the Edinburgh BioQuarter and the South East Wedge (SEW) Parkland non-statutory Masterplan.

Decision

- 1) To note the responses received on the non-statutory Edinburgh BioQuarter Masterplan and South East Wedge Parkland as detailed in appendix 1 to the report by the Director of Services for Communities to the report by the Director of Services for Communities.
- 2) To approve the non-statutory Edinburgh BioQuarter Masterplan as detailed in appendix 2 to the report by the Director of Services for Communities.

(References – Planning Committee 5 December 2013 (item 3); report by the Director of Services for Communities, submitted.)

5. Planning and Building Standards Service Plan 2014-15

Details were provided of the progress made in the implementation of the previous Service Improvement Plan for 2013-14. The report focused on the outcomes achieved in 2013-14 and proposed a Service Plan for 2014-15 to guide continuous improvement in the Planning and Building Standards Service.

Decision

- 1) To note the progress made in delivery of service improvements in 2013-14.

- 2) To approve the Planning and Building Standards Service Plan for 2014-15 to guide delivery of improvements under the key output headings of Key Performance Results, Customer Results, Community Results and People Results.

(References – report by the Director of Services for Communities, submitted.)

6. Achieving Excellence Performances Report July to December

Details were provided of the Councils performance against Planning strategic outcomes for the period from July to December 2013.

Decision

1. To note the progress in consolidating and updating guidance to users of the planning service as detailed in appendix 1 of the report by the Director of Services for Communities.
2. To approve the updates to two frequently-used guidelines as detailed in appendix 2 of the report by the Director of Services for Communities.

(References – Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee 3 December 2013 (item 5); report by the Director of Services for Communities, submitted.)

7. A Sustainable Lighting Strategy for Edinburgh - Progress Report

Progress had been made on a number of strands of the Sustainable Lighting Strategy for Edinburgh that was approved by Planning Committee in June 2012, including:

- Historic Lighting being reintroduced to key streets;
- key buildings and features being re-lit using new technology;
- lighting being used for art installations and city dressing initiatives; and
- street lighting being improved to respond to adaptive technologies, reducing impacts on night skies.

Decision

- 1) To note the progress that had been made on the delivery of the objectives of A Sustainable Lighting Strategy for Edinburgh.
- 2) To note that the review of the Public Realm Strategy would involve further detailed consideration of lighting
- 3) To refer the report to the Transport & Environment Committee for its interest.

(Reference – Corporate Policy and Strategy Committee 3 December 2013 (item 3); report by the Director of Services for Communities, submitted.)

8. Southfield Estate Proposed Conservation Area

Approval was sought for the assessment of the Southfield Estate to be used as basis for a consultation on the potential to designate the area as a conservation area.

Decision

To approve the appraisal as a basis for consultation on the potential to designate the Southfield Estate as a conservation area.

(Report by the Director of Services for Communities, submitted.)

9. Scottish Government Consultation to permitted Development Rights for Telecommunications

Details were provided on the response that had been submitted to the Scottish Government before the deadline for submissions on 18 April 2014 regarding proposed changes to the permitted development rights for development by Telecommunications Code Operators.

Decision

To approve the Council's response to the consultation.

(Reference – report by the Director of Services for Communities, submitted.)