



MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS: APPLICATIONS CURRENTLY BEING ASSESSED AND OTHER DEVELOPMENTS AT PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION STAGE

Report by Director of Education, Communities and Economy

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report updates the Committee with regard to 'major' planning applications, formal pre-application consultations by prospective applicants, and the expected programme of applications due for reporting to the Committee.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 A major application is defined by regulations and constitutes proposed developments over a specified size. For example; a development comprising 50 or more dwellings, a business/industry use with a gross floor space exceeding 10,000 square metres, a retail development with a gross floor space exceeding 5,000 square metres and sites exceeding 2 hectares. A major application (with the exception of a Section 42 application to amend a previous grant of planning permission) cannot be submitted to the planning authority for determination without undertaking a formal pre application consultation (PAC) with local communities.
- 2.2 At its meeting of 8 June 2010 the Planning Committee instructed that it be provided with updated information on the procedural progress of major applications on a regular basis.
- 2.3 The current position with regard to 'major' planning applications and formal pre-application consultations by prospective applicants is outlined in Appendices A and B attached to this report.

3 DEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE

- 3.1 The development plan is comprised of the Edinburgh and South East Scotland Strategic Development Plan June 2013 (SDP1) and the Midlothian Local Development Plan 2017 (MLDP). The MLDP was adopted by the Council at its meeting of 7 November 2017.

4 RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 The Committee is recommended to note the major planning application proposals which are likely to be considered by the Committee in 2019 and 2020 and the updates for each of the applications.

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Background Papers: Planning Committee Report entitled 'Major Developments: Applications currently being assessed and other developments at Pre-Application Consultation stage' 8 June 2010.

APPENDIX A

MAJOR APPLICATIONS CURRENTLY BEING ASSESSED

Ref	Location	Proposal	Expected date of reporting to Committee	Comment
17/00435/DPP	Land at Newbyres, River Gore Road, Gorebridge	Erection of 125 residential units; formation of access roads, SUDS features and associated works	Being held in abeyance	Pre-Application Consultation (13/00609/PAC) carried out by the applicants in August - November 2013. The application has been held in abeyance for a significant period of time whilst the applicant considers amending their layout. The Planning Service has seen amended plans and has provided some initial comments for consideration (October 2019).
18/00099/DPP	Land at Gore Avenue and Newbyres Crescent, Gorebridge	Erection of 46 flatted dwellings; 17 dwellinghouses and 12 extra care units associated works	Being held in abeyance pending additional information from the applicant	Pre-Application Consultation (17/00913/PAC) carried out by the applicants in November 2017 – February 2018. This application is being held in abeyance subject to the applicant submitting additional information regarding mine gas mitigation measures - this information then needs to be cleared by the Council's Environmental Health Service.
18/00495/DPP	Land west of Burnbrae Terrace Bonnyrigg	Erection of resource facility including offices; training suites, stores, workshops, ambulance depot and enterprise units; formation of car parking, access roads and external storage areas; and associated works	Being held in abeyance pending a review of the project	Pre-Application Consultation (17/00721/PAC) carried out by the applicants in September 2017 – December 2017. There is an outstanding objection from SEPA which needs addressing by the applicant. There is also an outstanding concern regarding potential noise impacts on nearby residential properties which needs consideration by the applicant and the Council in its assessment of the application.
18/00528/S42	Land at Calderstone, Biggar Road, Lothianburn	Section 42 Application to amend conditions 3, 4, 5, 6 and 10 of planning permission 15/00113/PPP, for the erection of hotel (to amend the phasing of the development).	Being held in abeyance	Section 42 applications do not require to go through the Pre-Application Consultation process. The conditions relate to the phasing of development, landscaping, building design and layout and transportation matters. The applicant is considering withdrawing this application.

19/00432/S42	Land 470M West of Corby Craig Terrace, Bilston	Section 42 application to remove condition 15 of planning permission 17/00968/DPP (not to provide electric vehicle charging stations)	November 2019	Section 42 applications do not require to go through the Pre-Application Consultation process. This application is reported to this meeting of the Committee.
19/00748/PPP	Whitehills, Whitehill Road, Millerhill	Planning permission in principle for Class 4 (Business), 5 (General Industry), 6 (Storage and Distribution) and sui generis uses (home improvement showrooms/warehousing).	January 2020	Pre-Application Consultation (19/00489/PAC) carried out by the applicants in May 2019 – August 2019.
19/00763/DPP	Former Site of Newbattle Community High School, Easthouses Road, Easthouses	Erection of primary school, nursery and formation of a MUGA, car parking and associated works.	January 2020	Pre-Application Consultation (19/00445/PAC) carried out by the applicants in May 2019 – August 2019.

APPENDIX B

NOTICE OF PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED AND NO APPLICATION HAS BEEN SUBMITTED

Ref	Location	Proposal	Date of PAC submission	Earliest date for receipt of planning application and current position
17/00367/PAC	Site Hs12 Hopefield Farm 2 Bonnyrigg	Residential development The site is identified for an indicative 375 residential units in the MLDP.	9 May 2017	02/08/17 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the August 2017 meeting of the Committee.
17/00606/PAC	Land south east of Auchendinny, The Brae, Auchendinny (Site Hs20)	Residential development The site is identified for an indicative 350 residential units in the MLDP.	27 July 2017	20/10/17 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the November 2017 meeting of the Committee.
17/00663/PAC	Land bounded by A7, Stobhill Road and Pentland Avenue, Gorebridge	Mixed use development comprising residential and commercial land uses	16 August 2017	09/11/17 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the October 2017 meeting of the Committee.
18/00894/PAC	Land at Wull Muir, Gorebridge	Erection of up to 9 wind turbines (wind farm)	9 November 2018	02/02/19 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the January 2019 meeting of the Committee.
18/00962/PAC	Land east and west of Easthouses Road, Easthouses	Residential development and erection of school, with associated engineering works, open space and landscaping	14 December 2018	09/03/19 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the February 2019 meeting of the Committee.
18/00970/PAC	Midlothian Snow Sports Centre	Redevelopment of existing snowsports centre to include leisure facilities; tourist accommodation; hotel; function suite and ancillary retail and restaurant; formation of access and car parking	21 December 2018	16/03/19 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the February 2019 meeting of the Committee.

19/00012/PAC	Land east of Salters Road, Dalkeith	Mixed use development comprising film and TV studios including workshops/offices; reception/commissary; gatehouse; backlot; trailer park; film academy and associated student accommodation; and associated access, parking and infrastructure	9 January 2019	04/04/19 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the January 2019 meeting of the Committee.
19/00106/PAC	Land north of Oak Place, Mayfield, Dalkeith	Residential development The site is identified for an indicative 63 residential units in the MLDP.	8 February 2019	04/05/19 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the May 2019 meeting of the Committee.
19/00126/PAC	Former Lothianburn, Golf Club, 106 Biggar Road, Edinburgh	Mixed use development comprising mountain bike trail centre, indoor and outdoor leisure uses, food and drink, professional services, retail, visitor accommodation and associated works	14 February 2019	10/05/19 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the May 2019 meeting of the Committee.
19/00252/PAC	Land at Wellington School, Penicuik	Residential development The site is identified as an 'Additional Housing Development Opportunity' for an indicative 50 - 60 residential units in the MLDP.	20 March 2019	13/06/19 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the June 2019 meeting of the Committee.
19/00626/PAC	Land at Drummond Moor, Rosewell	Proposed holiday resort development	15 July 2019	08/09/19 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the October 2019 meeting of the Committee.
19/00641/PAC	Land north of Seafield Road, Bilston	Residential development The site forms part of a site (Hs16) identified for an indicative 350 residential units in the MLDP.	22 July 2019	15/09/19 - no application yet received. A pre-application report was reported to the October 2019 meeting of the Committee.