

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

Report by Head of 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 PREMATURE APPLICATIONS

3.1 A consequence of the Midlothian Local Development Plan: Proposed Plan being at an advanced stage is premature planning applications being submitted by a number of applicants on a number of sites. These are identified in Appendix A by the statement "Subject to progress on Midlothian Local Development Plan" and relate to sites which are not currently allocated for development in the adopted 2008 Midlothian Local Plan but are proposed in the Midlothian Local

Development Plan (MLDP). These sites are subject to representations from local communities and interested parties and are subject to examination by Scottish Government Reporters.

- 3.2 In the interests of fairness and transparency it is proposed not normally to report these applications to Committee until the proposed MLDP has progressed through the examination process and the Council has adopted the plan, unless the Committee wish to consider an application in advance of the adoption of the MLDP or there are extenuating circumstances. At its meeting in January 2016 the Committee expressed a preference to determine those applications where there is a risk that applicants may appeal against non determination, an option open to applicants if an application is not determined within the set timeframe (four months from the date of validation for a major application) or an agreed extended time period.
- 3.3 If an appeal against non determination is submitted it would be determined by Scottish Ministers after consideration of relevant planning policies and other material considerations. Paramount in the consideration would be the potential for an application to undermine the development plan process if considered in advance of the adoption of the MLDP and whether Midlothian has a sufficient housing land supply as defined in Scottish Government Planning Policy.

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 2017 and 2018 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
14/00910/PPP	Land at Cauldcoats, Dalkeith	Application for Planning Permission in Principle for residential development, erection of a primary school and mixed use developments.	Subject to progress on Midlothian Local Development Plan	Pre-Application Consultation (14/00553/PAC) carried out by the applicants in October/November 2014.
16/00134/DPP	Land north of Oak Place, Mayfield	Erection of 169 dwellinghouses, 30 flatted dwellings and associated works	See comment	Pre-Application Consultation (13/00522/PAC) carried out by the applicants in August/September 2013. This application has been significantly amended during its assessment and as such a new planning application is required.
16/00712/PPP	Land north of Dalhousie Dairy Bonnyrigg	Application for Planning Permission in Principle for residential development	Subject to determination by the Scottish Ministers	Pre-Application Consultation (16/00157/PAC and 16/00161/PAC) carried out by the applicants in March/April 2016. This application is subject to an appeal against non determination and is reported to this meeting of the Committee.
16/00861/DPP	Land west of Corby Craig Crescent Seafield Moor Road, Bilston	Erection of 176 dwellinghouses, 36 flatted dwellings and associated works	Subject to progress on Midlothian Local Development Plan	Pre-Application Consultation (15/00936/PAC) carried out by the applicants in November and December 2015 and January 2016.
16/00893/PPP	Land At Salter's Park, Dalkeith	Application for Planning Permission in Principle for residential development, employment uses and associated works	Subject to progress on Midlothian Local Development Plan	Pre-Application Consultation (14/00833/PAC) carried out by the applicants in November and December 2014 and January 2015.

17/00068/DPP	Land Between Deanburn and Mauricewood Road Penicuik	Erection of 552 residential units; formation of access roads, SUDs features and associated works	October 2017	Pre-Application Consultation (15/00987/PAC) carried out by the applicants in February/March 2016. This application will supersede applications 05/00784/FUL, 06/00474/OUT and 06/00475/FUL which are for residential development across the site. The applicant will withdraw these applications as and when permission has been granted for this application.
17/00273/S42	Land between Loanhead Road and Edgefield Industrial Estate Loanhead Road	Section 42 application to amend condition 1 of planning permission in principle 09/00354/OUT	August 2017	Condition 1 of planning permission 09/00354/OUT relates to the time period to implement the permission and to submit subsequent Matters Specified in Conditions (MSC) applications to seek approval for the details of the scheme. This application replaces application 16/00800/S42
17/00298/PPP	Land north of Dalhousie Dairy Bonnyrigg	Application for Planning Permission in Principle for residential development	Subject to progress on Midlothian Local Development Plan and/or determination of the appeal against 16/00712/PPP	Pre-Application Consultation (16/00157/PAC and 16/00161/PAC) carried out by the applicants in March/April 2016. This application is a repeat application of 16/00712/PPP submitted to continue negotiations with the Planning Authority whilst the appeal against 16/00712/PPP is being considered.

APPENDIX B

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

Ref	Location	Proposal	Date of receipt of PAC	Earliest date for receipt of planning application and current position
13/00609/PAC	Housing Site B, land at Newbyres, River Gore Road, Gorebridge	Residential Development	19 August 2013	12/11/13 - no application yet received. The applicants have started discussing possible layouts for this site and an application is anticipated in 2017.
14/00451/PAC	Land at Newton Farm and Wellington Farm, Old Craighall Road, Millerhill, Dalkeith	Residential development and associated developments	10 June 2014	03/09/14 - no application yet received. The applicants have started discussing possible layouts for this site and an application is anticipated in 2017.
15/00774/PAC	Site Hs14, Rosewell North, Rosewell	Residential development	22 September 2015	15/12/15 - no application yet received. A preapplication report was reported to the November 2015 meeting of the Committee.
16/00266/PAC	Land At Rosslynlee Hospital Roslin	Residential development	08 April 2016	04/07/16 - no application yet received. A pre- application report was reported to the May 2016 meeting of the Committee.
16/00267/PAC	Land At Rosslynlee Hospital Roslin	Residential development - change of use, alterations, extensions and partial demolition of the former hospital, including new build development.	08 April 2016	04/07/16 - no application yet received. A pre- application report was reported to the May 2016 meeting of the Committee.
16/00830/PAC	Land east of junction with Greenhall Road Barleyknowe Road Gorebridge	Residential development	24 November 2016	10/02/17 - no application yet received. A pre- application report was reported to the January 2017 meeting of the Committee.
17/00296/PAC	Land to the east of Lawfield Road and to the north of Ash Grove, Mayfield	Residential development	19 April 2017	06/07/17