

PLANNING AND REGULATION COMMITTEE SITE VISIT 17 MARCH 2014

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR I G FLEETWOOD (CHAIRMAN)

Councillors J W Beaver, D Brailsford, D C Hoyes, D M Hunter-Clarke, Mrs H N J Powell, T Keywood-Wainwright, D McNally, Mrs J Renshaw, R Renshaw, C L Strange and T M Trollope-Bellew.

Officers in attendance:-

Andy Gutherson (County Commissioner for Economy and Place), Neil McBride (Development Manager), Lee Rowley (Senior Project Leader – Major Schemes), Marc Willis (Principal Planning Officer (Development Management) and Rachel Wilson (Democratic Services Officer)

1 <u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u>

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M S Jones, N H Pepper and W S Webb.

2 SITE VISIT TO HAWTHORN ROAD, LINCOLN

The Committee visited the application site and Marc Willis gave a brief explanation of the application, and the reasons behind the changes to the design of the non-motorised bridge and also showed Members a plan of the proposal.

Members were provided with the opportunity to ask questions and some of the points which were clarified included the following:

- It was confirmed that at the meeting of the Planning and Regulation Committee scheduled for 6 October 2014, Members would only be considering whether the basis of the proposals for the bridge were acceptable, not to consider the option to keep Hawthorn Road open;
- Acoustic fencing and bunding would be provided on the western side of the bypass. The acoustic fence would provide a similar level of noise attenuation to that of low noise surfacing which was originally proposed and would help to mitigate and minimise any noise impacts on the existing housing and any potential future development;
- That the bridge would be of sufficient size to accommodate a dual carriageway if the road was upgraded in the future. Members were advised that all aspects of the route were future proofed, in the event that the road could be increased to a dual carriageway. It was noted that the bypass was to be built in the footprint of the original plans for a dual carriageway.

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Meeting closed at 9.30am