MINUTES OF BRECON BEACONS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY PLANNING, ACCESS AND RIGHTS OF WAY SITE VISIT HELD AT ON SITE ON TUESDAY, 30TH JULY, 2019

PRESENT:

Powys

Cllr E Roderick (Deputy Chair), Cllr M Jones, Cllr K Laurie-Parry, Cllr I McIntosh, Cllr P Pritchard and Cllr G Ratcliffe

Carmarthenshire

Cllr A James

Merthyr Tydfil

Cllr M Colbran

Torfaen County Borough

Cllr S Evans

Rhondda Cynon Taff

Cllr G Thomas

Members appointed by the Welsh Government

Mr Julian Stedman (Chair), Mr Christopher Coppock, Mr James Marsden and Ms Deborah Perkin

3. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllrs E Durrant, S McNicholas, J Hill and M Feakins and also from Mr E Evans, Mr G Ham BEM and Mr I Rowat.

4. <u>18/16828/OUT - Land North of Camden Crescent, Brecon</u>

Members and Officers departed the Authority HQ at 9:35am to travel to this site, they arrived on site at 9:49am. The Agent was in attendance to allow safe access to the site via the locked gate. Also in attendance at this site was Powys County Council Highways Officer, Mr Steve Jones.

The Case Officer, Mr Matthew Griffiths, walked Members to the proposed site access to enable them to understand fully the location and Mr Steve Jones explained the reason for the change of access from the original submission.

Members and Officers moved onto the site. Matthew Griffiths advised Members of a Right of Way running through this site, he also advised of the boundary of this site.

Members raised the issue of the established hedgerow, this was noted by the Case Officer.

Members queried the disturbed land currently within the site, Matthew Griffiths advised Members of the reason for this (archaeological trenching).

The Members were advised of an Iron Age Hillfort nearby.

The issue of drainage was raised and responded to by the officer.

The group moved to the second parcel of land, they were advised of the power lines, boundaries and the public Right of Way.

Members raised the issue of soil removal during construction and the officer responded.

Members queried the boundary landscaping and the officer responded.

Members and Officers then moved to the lower corner of the land to note the proposed access from the inside of the site.

Members raised the issue of the extent of earthworks required for the built infrastructure and the officer responded.

Members departed the site at 10:30am.

5. 18/16981/FUL - Land North of Heol y Ffynnon, Brecon

Members and Officers arrived via Heol y Ffynnon at 10:42am, they were joined by Simone Hodges, Steve Jones and Mike Hooper all of Powys County Council, also in attendance was the Agent Mr Barrie Davies.

Members familiarised themselves with the plan provided by the officer, who then gave a brief update of this application.

Members were advised regarding the single (direction) carriageway and changes proposed.

Members were advised regarding current materials used in the existing properties in the area and the materials for the new properties. They were also advised regarding the treeworks and Active Travel plan.

Matthew Griffiths advised regarding the proposed access into the site. Members raised the issue of suitability for disabled residents both regarding access and living and the officer responded.

Members were advised with regard to local sourcing of materials and use of local employment within the site. They were advised of Powys County Council's 'Home

Grown Homes' scheme. Members queried the safety of materials to be used and this was responded to.

Matthew Griffiths advised regarding the topography and sites of local interest in the area and Members noted these.

Members were advised of the retention of an established tree and this was noted, they were also advised of the future open space within the site, this was also noted.

Members were advised regarding the translocation of an established hedgerow, the public area and gravel path. The Case Officer also advised that the Right of Way will be retained, he also advised of care of the Maendu Well.

Members departed the site at 11:20am and returned to the Authority HQ at 11:40am, this concluded the site visits.

Signed as a correct record Chairman of the Planning, Access and Rights of Way Site Visit