

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Director of Housing, Regeneration and Environmental Services

Planning Committee: 3 May 2006

Subject: Appeals at: Great Western Road, Clydebank; Radnor Park Hotel, Kilbowie Road, Clydebank.

1. Purpose

- 1.1** To inform the Committee of the submission of two new appeals to the Scottish Ministers

2. Appeal Notification: Great Western Road, Clydebank

- 2.1** The first appeal relates to the refusal of planning consent for the erection of a 14.7 metre high telecommunications monopole and associated equipment cabinets adjacent to Great Western Road, Clydebank (DC05-361). The site is to the west of the Q8 petrol filling station and the application was refused by the Committee, against officer recommendation, at the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 1 February 2006. The application was refused as it was considered to be visually prominent and likely to compromise the safety of road users.
- 2.2** The appellants are also seeking an award of costs on the grounds that the Council has acted unreasonably in refusing the application.
- 2.3** The appeal was received by the Council on 22 March 2006 and will be dealt with by written submissions.

3. Appeal Notification: Radnor Park Hotel, Clydebank

- 3.1** The second appeal relates to the refusal of planning consent for the installation of telecommunications apparatus on the Radnor Park Hotel. The apparatus consists of 2 roof mounted antennas concealed behind glass reinforced plastic screens that are to resemble chimneys and a wall mounted antenna. The planning application was refused under delegated powers on 20 February 2006 (DC05-385). The proposal introduced incongruous features that would have an adverse visual impact on the building and be detrimental to the amenity of the wider residential area.
- 3.2** The appeal was received on 3 April 2006 and will be dealt with by written submissions.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1** As indicated in paragraph 2.2 above, the appellants concerning the refusal of planning consent for the erection of a telecommunications monopole at Great Western Road, Clydebank, are seeking an award concerning the costs involved in submitting an appeal on the grounds that the Council has acted unreasonably. It will be for Scottish Ministers to determine whether any costs should be granted in the light of their deliberations on the appeal.

5. Personnel Issues

- 5.1** There are no personnel issues.

6. Conclusion

- 6.1** Two planning appeals have been submitted to the Scottish Ministers following the refusal of planning applications. The Committee will be advised of the outcome of these appeals in due course.

7. Recommendation

- 7.1** The Committee is asked to note the submission of the new appeals.



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Date: 7 April 2006

Wards Affected: 5 and 7

Background Papers:

1. Letter of notification of appeal from Scottish Executive Inquiry Reporters Unit dated 22 March 2006, relating to the appeal at Great Western Road, Clydebank.
2. Letter of notification of appeal from Scottish Executives Inquiry Reporters Unit dated 3 April 2006 relating to the appeal at the Radnor Park Hotel, Clydebank.

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