Chair of Development Control Report to Council 6th December 2023

At the October meeting Members of Development Control Committee approved planning permission for a reserved matters application for 73 houses on land off Barden Lane. The site had previous been granted outline planning permission and this application was to confirm the detail of the proposal. It will include a mix of 1,2, 3 and 4 bedroom properties, mainly in pairs of semi-detached properties with 6 detached homes and a small block of 4 one bed apartments.

November's committee had a mixed agenda with Members granting outline planning permission for up to 40 dwellings on land at the northern end of the former Baxi site in Padiham, approving a solar farm of 1978 panels at the Crow Wood leisure facility and granting permission to maintain trees covered under tree preservation orders. Applications associated with tree preservation orders are not normally considered by committee but in this case the Council was the applicant and in line with the Council's constitution all Council applications must be presented before committee for a decision.