

MINUTES of the meeting of the PLANS COMMITTEE held at Mountfield, Bridport on Monday 3 August 2015 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT Cllr Ms S.J. Williams (in the Chair)

Cllrs: G.J. Ackerman	J.S.L. Jones
Ms S.A. Horniman	D.G. Rickard
W.B. Irvine	Mrs E.A. Rickard

Also present: Cllr E.T. Colfox.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mr K. Hobbs raised the following issues:

- Graffiti – need to ensure it was removed as quickly as possible.
- Commercial bins being left on the footway in the town centre. This was a particular concern outside of WH Smith and at the bottom of Downes Street.
- Street Cleaning and whether the streets could be washed.

The Chairman thanked Mr Hobbs and said that these issues would be discussed under agenda item 7 High Street – Street Scene (min. 31).

25. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Cllr Mrs T.G. Harrison.

26. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 29 June 2015 were confirmed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

27. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Ms S.J. Williams declared an interest in application A4, 88, East Street, as she knew the applicant. She left the room and Cllr G.J. Ackerman was in the Chair for this item.

28. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Town Clerk reported the late receipt of a tree application for 28 West Allington – fell 3 trees. This notification had been received too late for the agenda. The Committee stated that, in view of the timescale for a decision, the application should be referred to the District Council's Tree Officer.

RESOLVED: that the recommendations set out in column 4 of the attached [schedule A](#) be forwarded to the District Council.

(There were no applications in Schedule B)

29. PLANNING DECISIONS

The Town Clerk reported for information, the planning decisions received relating to applications previously considered by the Committee, ENCL: 2988.

RESOLVED: that the planning decisions be noted.

30. HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION SUB COMMITTEE

The minutes of the meeting of the Sub Committee held on 25 June 2015 were received and the following recommendation approved:

Min.10(f) New Highways Issues: North Mills – New Signage

RESOLVED: that Dorset County Council be asked to provide new signage at the junction with Victoria Grove advising “no access to industrial estate.”

31. HIGH STREET – STREET SCENE

In response to the comments in the Public Forum, the Town Clerk reported that Dorset Waste Partnership was the responsible authority for street cleansing and graffiti removal but the Town Council did try to help with graffiti, where it was able to do so.

In terms of the commercial bins on the town centre footways, this had been discussed with the County Council and they would be addressing this matter. The bins should not be kept on the footway.

It was agreed that the matters relating to street cleaning and related issues needed to be discussed further with Dorset Waste Partnership.

RESOLVED: that street cleansing issues be discussed further with Dorset Waste Partnership and reported back.

32. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Town Clerk reported on the latest position on the project, as set out in the Project update report and which had been published on the web site, with the link in the last Members’ Bulletin.

The update was noted.

33. VEARSE FARM – FUTURE CONSULTATION

The Town Clerk reported that Hallam Land had been invited to attend the next meeting of the Plans Committee in September, to discuss the latest position on Vearse Farm and particularly the consultation proposals.

The Chairman said that the meeting would be held in the Town Hall and it was proposed to have the first hour set aside for this issue, to allow for public comments and questions and answers. The remainder of the agenda would then follow on. The final details for the meeting would be confirmed.

RESOLVED: that the arrangements for the next meeting of the Plans Committee be approved as above.

34. **STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING**

There were no items raised.

35. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Earlier in the meeting, it had been agreed that Cllr D.G. Rickard would speak on behalf of the Town Council at the Development Control meeting on Thursday 13 August at 2.15pm in support of the Town Council's objections to the applications for Demolition of B8 storage building and erection of replacement building for use classes A1, A2, A3, B1 and B8, Norman Good And Sons, Station Road, West Bay.

The meeting closed at **8:05 p.m.**

The next meeting of the Plans Committee will be held on 7 September 2015 in the Town Hall