MINUTES of the meeting of the PLANS COMMITTEE held at Mountfield, Bridport on Monday 29 February 2016 at 7.00 p.m.

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

Cllrs: G.J. Ackerman J.S.L Jones J.P. Brodie D.G. Rickard

E.T. Colfox

Also present: Cllr Mrs E.A. Rickard.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Mike Nicks, West Bay Community Forum and local residents Sylvia Stafford, Jim Tigg and Gerry White spoke in objection to the following applications:

A8/116 Norman Good & Sons, Station Road, West Bay- Change of use of part of open area and covered area to retail, food sales, take away food, hot food sales & hot/cold food consumption (Retrospective) and

A9/117 &A10/118L Norman Good & Sons, Station Road, West Bay - Reopen existing first floor door opening. Install external steel staircase. Replace existing internal timber staircase with new metal staircase.

# 103. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Cllrs Ms S.A. Horniman, W.B. Irvine and Ms T.G. Harrison.

# 104. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 1 February 2016 were confirmed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

# 105. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

A5/102 and A6 103L Arts Centre, South Street - Install photovoltaic panels on roof: Cllrs D.G. Rickard and Mrs E.A. Rickard left the room and took no part in consideration of this application, as they were share holders in the community interest company that will fund the scheme.

# 106. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

#### **RESOLVED:**

- (1) that the recommendations set out in column 4 of the attached <u>schedule A</u> be forwarded to the District Council.
- (2) that the amended plans reported for information in <u>Schedule B</u> be noted.

#### 107. PLANNING DECISIONS

The Town Clerk reported for information, the planning decisions received relating to applications previously considered by the Committee, ENCL: 3056.

RESOLVED: that the planning decisions be noted.

# 108. <u>JURASSIC FIELDS EVENT 2016 – ASKER MEADOWS REQUEST FOR FRIDAY</u> NIGHT 8 JULY AND SATURDAY 9 JULY

The Town Clerk reported that the dates were 8 and 9 July and not June, as on the agenda. The proposal was to have an additional Friday evening, with music on one stage finishing at 10.30pm. Separate licensing permission was being applied for by the organisers, but the Town Council was being asked if it had any concerns, as the land owner.

RESOLVED: that there be no objection to Asker Meadows being used on Friday night, 8 July as proposed, as well as Saturday 9 July for the Jurassic Fields event, subject to the relevant licensing permissions.

#### 109. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Town Clerk provided an update on the Neighbourhood Plan.

RESOLVED: that the update be noted.

#### 110. STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING

There were no items raised.

#### 111. COMMUNICATIONS

The Town Clerk reported on the following items:

**Vearse Farm.** Savills had written to all participants in the November workshop, proposing further consultation to develop the Master Plan. They had also proposed establishing a small working group of community and local council representatives to work on the Master Plan. Members supported the proposal, but felt that it needed to be a larger number (9 or 10 representatives) to ensure inclusion of all local councils, the neighbourhood plan, BLAP and other key stakeholders. It was agreed that this should be discussed further with Savills.

**Use of the Green - West Bay.** The District Council had received a request for some children's rides and slides to be placed on the Harbour Green in West Bay, over Easter and the Spring Bank Holiday. The District Council had asked if the Town Council had any comments. Members had some concerns about long term use of the green and felt that, whilst they would not object to the use over Easter, it was asked if this could be reviewed afterwards.

**Powerboat Event, West Bay.** The event this year was to be on 16 and 17 July.

**Report on Housing.** Cllr D.G. Rickard mentioned a report published last year suggesting changes to the planning system for housing and the possibility of bringing large housing schemes within the same national approval process as for large infrastructure schemes, with the potential loss of local control. The report had been produced for a cross-industry Government panel and the link to the report would be circulated with the Members' Bulletin.

The meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

The next meeting of the Plans Committee will be held on 4 April 2016