

MINUTES of the meeting of the PLANS COMMITTEE held at Mountfield, Bridport on Monday 2 March 2015 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT Cllr P.J. Lathey (in the Chair)

Cllrs:	G.J. Ackerman	D.G. Rickard
	C.O. Michell	Ms G.E. Summers
	C.M. Ray	Ms S.J. Williams

Also present: Cllr Mrs E.A. Rickard

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Mr R. Wheatley, Mr I Wilkinson and Rev P. Stone all spoke in objection to the application A1/75, the Court House, Mountfield, Rax Lane.

Two additional letters of objection regarding this application were also circulated from: Rev P. Stone and Mrs A. Stone and Sal Robinson. The other letters that had been copied to the Town Council from Mr & Mrs Wheatley and Mr & Mrs Wilkinson had been published on the planning web site, prior to the meeting.

#### **94. APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Cllr E.T. Colfox.

#### **95. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee meeting held on 2 February 2015 were confirmed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

#### **96. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The Town Clerk reminded members that the Town Council had an interest in application A1/75, the Court House, Mountfield, Rax Lane and it was unable therefore to make a recommendation on the application.

#### **97. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

There were no applications listed in Appendix B.

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

#### **98. PLANNING DECISIONS**

The Town Clerk reported for information, the planning decisions received relating to applications previously considered by the Committee, ENCL: 2940.

RESOLVED: that the planning decisions be noted.

**99. LOCAL PLAN – FURTHER MODIFICATIONS**

Consideration was given to a report of the Town Clerk, ENCL: 2948.

RESOLVED: that the Local Plan Working Group meet on Tuesday 10 March at 3pm, to consider the further modifications and the Town Clerk then report a draft response to the Council meeting on 17 March.

**100. NEW BUS STOPS**

The Committee discussed a proposal for two new bus stops in St Swithins Road.

Members welcomed the new stops, but commented on the need to ensure that, due to the parking and traffic issues in the road, there were restrictions both to stop cars parking in front of the stops and also directly opposite, on the other side of the road, to avoid traffic restrictions. The Town Council had previously asked that the parking and traffic speeds in the road be looked at.

RESOLVED: that the proposal for additional bus stops be welcomed with the comments as above.

**101. DORSET HIGHWAYS CAPITAL PROGRAMME 2015/16**

The Town Clerk reported that there was just one scheme for Bridport in the Programme – the upgrade of the crossing at West Allington.

RESOLVED: that the Dorset Highways Capital programme 2015/16 be noted.

**102. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Town Clerk updated on recent meetings of the Steering Group.

RESOLVED: that the update be noted.

**103. STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING**

There were no items raised.

**104. COMMUNICATIONS**

The Town Clerk reported that Hallam Land was hosting a public consultation exhibition on Vearse Farm on Monday 9 March in the Town Hall, from 1.00pm to 7.30pm.

It was also reported that it was understood that the work on the pinch point at West Bay was due to start in April.

The meeting closed at **7.55 p.m.**

**The next meeting of the Plans Committee will be held on 30 March 2015**