

MINUTES of the meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held at Mountfield, Bridport on Monday 9 January 2017 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT Cllr Sarah Williams (in the Chair)

 Cllrs: Geoffrey Ackerman Barry Irvine
 Eddie Colfox Julian Jones
 Terry Harrison Dave Rickard
 Sarah Horniman (until 8.05pm)

PUBLIC FORUM

Mr Tony Fifield, Mrs Gill Fifield, Mr Mike Nicks and Mr Richard Nicholls all spoke in objection to the certificate of lawfulness applications A8/2662 Britt Valley Campground and A9/2663 Britt River Tent Site. The Town Clerk reported letters from Mrs Fifield and Mr & Mrs Bell and emails from the Bridport Environment Group and Dr and Mrs Mykura objecting to these applications.

Mr Gavin Fryer asked about the proposal to look at 20 mph limits and the Town Clerk said that this was being looked at as part of the feasibility report on town centre traffic, which would be reported soon.

Mr James Stone of Beyond Events asked about whether a trim trail could be looked at in Bridport. The Chairman said that this could be looked at as part of the proposed consultation on the Town Council's play and recreation facilities, which was the subject of the Public Open Forum at the Council meeting on 24 January.

89. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Cllr Jeremy Brodie.

90. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 28 November 2016 were confirmed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

91. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

92. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

93. PLANNING DECISIONS

The Town Clerk reported for information, the planning decisions received relating to applications previously considered by this Committee, ENCL: 3156.

RESOLVED: that the planning decisions be noted.

94. WEST BAY – PROPOSED PATH WORKS NEXT TO BRIDPORT ARMS CAR PARK

The Town Clerk reported on the proposed improvements to the path running alongside the Bridport Arms Car Park, to make it more accessible. This had been discussed with local residents and the West Bay Forum and was supported. The works would be paid for from the Coastal Community Team funding, earmarked for minor works in West Bay.

RESOLVED: that the proposed path works be supported.

95. VEARSE FARM MASTERPLAN UPDATE

The Town Clerk reported that there was no further update to the report at the last meeting of the Committee

RESOLVED: that the position be noted.

96. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

It was asked if all members could be included in the progress reports sent out on the Neighbourhood Plan. The Town Clerk said that he would ensure this happened.

RESOLVED: that the update be noted.

97. COMMUNICATIONS AND ONGOING ISSUES

The Town Clerk reported the following:

Concessionary Passes Consultation – the response was to be considered at the Environment and Social Wellbeing Committee on 11 January.

Land at Donkey Lane – the Town Clerk reported that this case was to be referred to the Land Registry Tribunal for determination. It was understood that, in addition to the Town Council, objections had been submitted by Dorset County Council, Allington Parish Council, Magna Housing and a local resident.

A35 Working Group – the next meeting was on 13 January and the Leader of the Council would be representing the Town Council.

Highways Working Group – the next meeting was on 19 January at 2.30pm.

The meeting closed at **8.35pm**

The next meeting of the Plans Committee will be held on 30 January 2017