

MINUTES of the meeting of the PLANS COMMITTEE held at Mountfield, Bridport on Tuesday 2 April 2013 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT Cllr Ms S.J. Williams

Cllrs: G.J. Ackerman
E.T. Colfox
C.O. Michell

C.M. Ray
D.G. Rickard

PUBLIC FORUM

Mr H. Busby spoke on behalf of the applicant and in support of the application A7/318 The Old Hemp Store, North Mills Trading Estate.

107. APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Cllr Ms G.E. Summers.

108. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 4 March 2013 were confirmed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

109. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

110. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED: that

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

(b) the applications in Schedule B be noted.

111. PLANNING DECISIONS

The Town Clerk reported for information, the planning decisions received relating to applications previously considered by the Committee, ENCL: 2660.

RESOLVED: that the planning decisions be noted.

112. BLAP NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN MEETING

RESOLVED: that councillors Ms S.J. Williams and C.M. Ray and the Town Clerk represent the Town Council at the BLAP Neighbourhood Plan meeting for parishes in the BLAP area on, 10 April at 7.00pm at Mountfield.

113. **STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING**

There were no items raised.

114. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Groves Nursery Application - the Town Clerk reported that he had been copied into a letter to the District Council, sent on behalf of the applicant for Groves Nursery, regarding their planning application for site improvements. The letter raised concerns regarding the suggestion from West Dorset District Council that the application should be withdrawn, due to the issues raised by the Highways Agency and comments from the Landscape Officer.

The Committee asked that it receive an update on progress with this application at its next meeting. It also agreed that the Town Clerk should contact West Dorset District Council to seek clarification and to see if the concerns raised could be addressed, to allow the application to be determined and not have to be withdrawn. Members reiterated their support for the application, particularly in respect of the potential new employment generation from the scheme.

Planning Web Site - during consideration of the applications, the Committee commented on the changes to the planning web site and specifically asked if the following matters could be raised with West Dorset District Council:

- the naming of files had changed and they seemed to have generic names such as "support document". This made finding specific documents, for example a design and access statement, much more difficult.
- PDF maps and plans were still being uploaded the wrong way round.

The Town Clerk said that he would take these matters up with the District Council.

The meeting closed at **7.50 p.m.**

The next meeting of the Plans Committee will be held on 29 April 2013