MINUTES of the meeting of the PLANS COMMITTEE held at Mountfield, Bridport on Monday 6 June 2011 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT Cllr Ms S.J. Williams (in the Chair from item 2 onwards)

Cllrs: E.T. Colfox P.J. Lathey
Ms R.C. Kayes C.O. Michell

C.M. Ray

1. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

RESOLVED: that Cllr Ms S.J. Williams be elected Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year 2011/2012.

2. **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

RESOLVED: that Cllr G.J. Ackerman be elected Vice Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year 2011/2012.

PUBLIC FORUM

The following persons spoke in the public forum:

Mr David Worthington spoke in objection to the application A9/746 - 45, South Street and mentioned the scale of the development, its impact on local residents and on the historic nature of the area.

Mr Richard Lewis and Carol Chapman spoke in objection to application A2/529 Bridport Millennium Green, Coneygar House Lane footpath and in particular mentioned the removal of the hedge and the environmental impact of the proposal.

The following letters, which had been copied to the Town Council, were reported by the Town Clerk:

Application A2/529 - Bridport Millennium Green, Coneygar House Lane footpath:

Mr & Mrs Rawlings, Coneygar Lane, including a petition of 14 local residents - objection Isla M. Beard, Coneygar Park – objection

Mr & Mrs Lewis, Coneygar Park – objection

Mr & Mrs Bishop, Coneygar Park – objection

C.J. Collingwood & M. Farmer, St Andrews Road & District Residents Assoc. - support.

T. Cross, Coneygar Park Residents Assoc. – objection.

J, Farnan & J. Smith, Coneygar Park - objection

A9/746 – 45, South Street:

Fran Salix-Alba, Folly Mill Lane – objection D. Keating, Folly Mill Lane – objection

3. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs: G.J. Ackerman and D.G. Rickard.

4. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 3 May 2011 were confirmed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5. <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

Councillor E.T. Colfox declared a personal and prejudicial interest in application A9/746 – 45, South Street as he knew the objector, who spoke in the Public Forum. He left the room when this application was considered.

Councillor C.M. Ray declared a personal and prejudicial interest in application A2/529 - Bridport Millennium Green, Coneygar House Lane footpath as he knew one of the objectors to the application. He left the room when this application was considered.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED: that

- (a) the recommendations set out in column 4 of the <u>attached schedule A</u> be forwarded to the District Council.
- (b) the applications in Schedule B be noted.

7. PLANNING DECISIONS

The Town Clerk reported for information, the planning decisions received relating to applications previously considered by the Committee, ENCL: 2378.

RESOLVED: that the planning decisions and notification of two appeals be noted.

8. REVISED DRAFT MINERALS CORE STRATEGY NOTIFICATION OF CONSULTATION JULY - SEPTEMBER 2011

The Town Clerk reported that the Town Council had been given advance notice of further consultation on the core strategy. The Town Council had considered an earlier draft of the strategy in November 2010 and the general approach of the strategy was supported, but it was agreed that no further comments be made, pending the identification of site specific allocations. Site specific issues were not included in this further consultation and would be the subject of a separate consultation in 2012.

The report was noted.

9. PARISH/TOWN DEVELOPMENT SURVEY

Consideration was given to a report of the Town Clerk, ENCL: 2381.

RESOLVED: that a working group of members meet to recommend a response on the survey, to be approved by the full Council. A date for members to meet to be agreed at the Environmental and Social Wellbeing Committee on 8 June.

10. RELAXATION OF PLANNING RULES FOR CHANGE OF USE FROM COMMERCIAL TO RESIDENTIAL - CONSULTATION

Consideration was given to a report of the Town Clerk, ENCL: 2382.

RESOLVED: that the Town Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee and Leader of the Council, be given delegated authority to draft a response, to be agreed by the Council on 21 June.

11. STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING

There were no matters to report.

12. **COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no matters to report.

The meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Plans Committee will be held on 4 July 2011