

MINUTES of the meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held at Mountfield, Bridport on Monday 26 February 2018 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT            Cllr    Sarah Williams (in the Chair)

                          Cllrs: Geoffrey Ackerman            Julian Jones  
                             Sarah Horniman                    Anne Rickard  
                             Barry Irvine                            Dave Rickard

### **PUBLIC FORUM**

There were no speakers in the public forum.

#### **87. APOLOGIES**

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Cllr Terry Harrison.

#### **88. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 29 January 2018 were confirmed as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

In response to a question, the Town Clerk confirmed that there would be a report to the Highways Working Group on the list of traffic management requests maintained by the Council.

#### **89. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Sarah Williams declared an interest in planning application A4/86L - 51, East Street as a Trustee of the Bridport Literary & Scientific Institute, the applicant. Cllr Williams left the room before the item was considered.

#### **90. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

#### **91. PLANNING DECISIONS**

The Town Clerk reported for information, the planning decisions received relating to applications previously considered by the Committee, ENCL: 3279.

Members commented on the decision taken on 2721/2722L - The Customs House, West Bay Road and expressed their concerns that the application had been granted without going to committee and that there were some issues in respect of the officer's report. It was asked that the concerns of this Committee be reported to the District Council.

RESOLVED: that the planning decisions be noted.

**92. BRIDPORT TOWN COUNCIL TOWN CENTRE TRAFFIC WORKING GROUP**

Councillors considered a report of the Town Clerk, ENCL: 3283.

It was agreed that if the Federation of Small Businesses could not send a representative, then the Chamber of Trade be invited to send a second person.

RESOLVED: that the terms of reference and arrangements for the town centre traffic working group be agreed.

**93. ST MICHAEL'S & SOUTH WEST QUADRANT COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP**

Councillors considered a report of the Town Clerk, ENCL: 3284.

RECOMMEND: that the proposals to establish a Community Liaison Group be approved, as attached to the report.

**94. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The Town Clerk reported on the latest position.

RESOLVED: that the update be noted.

**95. COMMUNICATIONS AND ONGOING ISSUES**

The Town Clerk reported on the following items:

Update on responses to Barrack Street Proposal – this had been raised with Dorset County Council, who were willing to undertake a feasibility study. It would though cost in the region of £2,000 and the Committee asked if this could be discussed with the promoters of the scheme.

Riverside Gardens proposed cycle path – this would be reported to the Finance & Purposes Committee and Full Council for a decision on allowing the cycle path, as the Town Council owned the land. The path had now received planning permission.

Further Meetings of the Committee - It was agreed to allocate a date for an extra Committee meeting, should it be needed. This will be on Monday 14 May at 7pm.

The meeting closed at **8.05 p.m.**

**The next meeting of the Planning Committee will be held on 9 April 2018**