

PLANNING ADVISORY AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee meeting held on 02 February 2009 in the Skyrm Room at the Public Hall, Beaminster at 7.00pm.

178 PRESENT:-

Councillors Elliott (Chairman), Armstrong, Baker, Mrs Baldwin, Beazer, Mrs Beeny, Mrs Knox, Mrs Page and Spooner.

179 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:-

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Berry and Maling and Mrs Christine Bright (Town Clerk)

180 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING MEETING HELD ON 05 JANUARY 2009

The minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee meeting held on 02 January 2009 were confirmed as a correct record. In the absence of a copy to sign, it was agreed that the Chairman would sign at a later date.

181 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs Page declared an interest in item iii in section 4a and would withdraw if this item were to be discussed.

182 PLANNING MATTERS

a. GRANTS

Members **NOTED** the details of the six planning consents granted by West Dorset District Council since the last meeting.

b. APPLICATIONS

The following were considered:

- (i) **No: 1/D/08/002340** **HORN PARK, TUNNEL ROAD –**
Demolish existing modern concrete block garden, outbuildings and replace with new building in natural stone and hand made plain clay roof tiles to match listed house.

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED

- (ii) No: 1/D/08/002377 **LOWER CHAPEL MARSH FARM, AXNOLLER LANE** – erect animal Housing

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED

- (iii) No: 1/D/09/000013 **CAMBRIAN HOUSE, WHITE SHEET HILL** – Erect equipment shed and Greenhouse

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED

- (iv) No: 1/D/09/000032 **34 NORTH STREET** – Approval of all reserved matters for outline permission 1/W/06/001527

REFUSAL RECOMMENDED for the following reasons:

Overdevelopment of the site
Small visibility splay onto a narrow lane
Loss of privacy for neighbouring properties
Loss of an attractive wall

- (v) No: 1/D/2009/0010 **COOMBE FARM, MAPPERTON** – Variation of condition 1 of planning permission 1/W/2005/0084 for the continuation of extracting, processing and exporting of building stone for a further 3 years

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED

- (vi) No: CA/09/00006 **HARTS ORCHARD, WHITCOMBE ROAD** – To fell 1 No. Cypress tree; and to reduce a further cypress tree by two thirds to the height of the party wall

REFUSAL RECOMMENDED for the following reasons:

T1 is an attractive tree and we can find no reason for it to be felled
T2 is causing damage to the party wall and should be felled to prevent more damage

- (vii) No: CA/09/00005 **6 NORTH STREET** – To reduce the side laterals of 1 No. Holm Oak by 3 metres and reshape tree retaining overall height; and to reduce the side

laterals of 1 No. apple tree by 2 metres and reduce crown by 3 metres to produce a smaller crown

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED

(viii) No: CA/08/00373

THE WALNUTS, 2-2A PROUT BRIDGE – To fell 2 No. Ash trees: to crown and thin 1 No. Copper Beech tree and 1 No. Chestnut tree by 10%

It was noted that this application had already been determined. The Tree Officer reported that she and the Clerk had asked that the two ash trees be replaced but the District Council had only suggested to the applicant that the trees might be replaced. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk be asked to write to the District Council Tree Officer to ask for trees to be replaced where this is possible.

(ix) No: 1/D/09/000066

23 THE SQUARE – Erect 3 fascia signs

REFUSAL RECOMMENDED for the following reason:

Vinyl lettering does not follow the design principles of the hand-written signs on the majority of shop-fronts in the conservation area and is contrary to Policy SA21

183 REPORTS FROM AND QUESTIONS TO:

(a) RIGHTS OF WAY LIAISON OFFICER

Cllr Mrs Beeny reported that the change to the footpath at Lake Farm would take several months as the County Council department was behind in its work.

The Wessex Ridgeway will be changed but she had no information on this.

(b) PUBLIC TRANSPORT LIAISON OFFICER

Cllr Mrs Baldwin reported that the No 42 bus would now start in Drimpton twice a week.

The 213 bus may be reinstated but will no longer stop at Sydling St. Nicholas.

The Netherbury service may be extended.

A direct service to Dorchester Hospital will not take place as there is no road crossing at the hospital.

The hospital car service is closing. It will be the responsibility of the GP to decide whether a patient need transport.

(c) ROAD SAFETY OFFICER

Cllr Spooner said that he would contact PC Poole to ask about the speed camera.

There followed a discussion about the state of the roads. The Planning Committee had agreed to meet with a representative of the Highways department in the summer when these matters could be discussed and the right way forward be taken.

184 CORRESPONDENCE

As the Clerk was absent this item was not available.

185 MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting which started at 7pm closed at 8.46 pm.

**CHAIRMAN
02 MARCH 2009**