



DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL

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Dennis Holmes, Town Clerk

21st December, 2011

Dear Sir or Madam,

A MEETING of the **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** will be held in the **COUNCIL CHAMBER, MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, DORCHESTER** on **TUESDAY, 3rd JANUARY, 2012** commencing at 7.00pm.

I hope that it will be convenient for you to attend.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk

Public Rights to Speak

If any member of the public wishes to speak at this meeting they may be allowed to do so at the discretion of the Chair. It would be helpful if anyone who wishes to address the Committee made their desire known to the Chair before the meeting starts: anyone allowed to speak will be expected to confine their comments to the matter in hand and to be as brief as is reasonably possible.

Declaration of Interests

Members are reminded that the Code of Conduct requires Members to declare any interest which they have in any matter under discussion. If the interest is regarded as a Personal Interest the Member may remain and take part in the consideration of the item but if the interest is a Prejudicial Interest the Member must withdraw from the Chamber during the consideration of it.

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
2. **MINUTES**

To receive and consider the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 5th December, 2011 (copy attached).

3. **DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL**

(a) Traffic Regulation Order – Wessex Place, Somerleigh Road

Further to Minute 36 to receive and note the enclosed copy letter dated 28th November, 2011 from Mr. M. Butler, Director for Environment, indicating that the traffic regulation order for Somerleigh Road will be added to the Dorchester list for 2012-13.

(b) Herringston Road

Further to Traffic Panel Minute 2 to receive and note the enclosed copy letter dated 2nd December, 2011 indicating that an extension to the 30mph speed limit beyond the Town boundary toward Winterborne Herringston does not meet the specified criteria. Dorset Police have also indicated that they would not support such a measure as it would need to be self-enforcing either by the introduction of traffic calming measures or the environment.

To also note that the safety camera was in Herringston Road on seven occasions in 2010 and six in 2011. The last visit was in October, 2011 for two hours when 13 speeding cars were detected but the speeds were not excessive.

Recent information received from Dorset Police indicates that within the last 3 years there have been five injury collisions on Herringston Road between South Court Avenue and Herringston House. In the 30mph limit, one slight injury, in the national speed limit (60mph), three slight injuries and one serious. None had a causation factor recorded against them of either 'exceeding the speed limit' or 'travelling too fast for conditions'. One had a causation of 'driving too slow' in the 30mph limit and another for 'loss of control' in the 60mph.

It has been suggested by Dorset Police that the Town Council considering purchasing a Speed Indicator Device at a cost of £3,500. To erect the pole at each location where the SID would be £800.

4. **WEST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL**

(a) Consultation of Review of Parking Charges

To receive and consider the enclosed copy letter dated 14th December, 2011 regarding the review of parking charges and arrangements for 2012-13.

(b) Tree Works – Application

To note that an application has been received to carry out a crown reduction on a Beech tree at Fourgates Road.

(c) Tree Works – Approvals

To note that the following tree works have been approved:

- To remove two low limbs and a branch from 1 Tree of Heaven at 50 High West Street;
- To reduce by 30% 1 Magnolia Grandiflora at 42 High West Street;
- To reduce and crown lift 4 Sorbus, 1 Birch and 1 Plane and remove 1 Birch at Somerleigh Road.

5. **MONMOUTH ROAD**

To receive and consider the enclosed copy letter dated 17th December, 2011 addressed to The Mayor seeking this Council's support for the introduction of restricted access to local residents only along Monmouth Road, Culliford Road, Alfred and Cromwell Roads with all other vehicles using Rothesay Road for access to Manor Park.

6. **ESTIMATES – 2012-13**

To consider the Committee's estimates for 2012-13 (copy attached).

7. **URGENT ITEMS**

To deal with any items which the Chairman or Town Clerk decides are urgent.

8. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS - GENERALLY**

To consider planning applications referred to this council for comment by the West Dorset District Council (copy lists enclosed).

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PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

3rd JANUARY, 2012

PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED

Planning Applications received to be considered on 3rd January, 2012:

1 10880

Advertisement consent for an externally illuminated fascia sign at 65 High West Street. 1/D/11/1179 (CA & Grade II LB)

2 10881

Demolish Fire Station Bar & Nightclub annexe & Switch House including the removal of 2 transformers & overhead structure posts to facilitate the reconfiguration & erection of new switch house & 2 new transformer bays at Dorchester Town Sub Station. 1/D/11/1949 (CA)

3 10882

Conservation Area consent to demolish Fire Station Bar & Nightclub annexe & Switch House including the removal of 2 transformers & overhead structure posts to facilitate the reconfiguration & erection of new switch house & 2 new transformer bays at Dorchester Town Sub-Station. 1/D/11/1950 (CA)

4 10883

Single storey extension at 49 Queens Avenue. 1/D/11/1978 (CA)