

DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

27th APRIL, 2009

At a Meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 27th April, 2009:

PRESENT Councillors C.S. Biggs, R.M. Biggs, V. Black, A.J. Canning, T.C.N. Harries, L.E. Heath, S.C. Hosford, F.E. Kent-Ledger (Chairman) and M.E. Rennie.

APOLOGIES for absence were received from The Mayor (Councillor C.M. Hebditch) and Councillors M.A. Allwood, Trevor Jones and R.B. Potter.

84. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 30th March, 2009, a copy of which had been circulated to all Members of the Committee, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record save for the inclusion at the Recommendation at Minute 82 of Mr. R. Kerr to a future meeting of this Committee.

A Member informed the Committee that the area around Thomas Hardy School was greatly improved.

In response to a question a Member informed the Committee on her attendance at meetings of "Stop the Drop". She confirmed that the purchase and erection of the new smoking bins within the town centre had given the group encouragement and that they were also considering a possible litter pick day.

85. **DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL**

(a) **Proposed Introduction of Business Permits in certain areas of Victoria Park**

The Committee received and considered a letter and map dated 9th May, 2009 from Mr T. Mackle, Traffic Management, requesting this Council's comments on the suggested introduction of business permits at a fee of £100 per annum on sections of Maud Road, Olga Road and Alexandra Road.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Town Clerk be requested to write to the Dorset County Council supporting the introduction of business permits in the areas mentioned above.

(b) **Improvements for the Blandford to Dorchester Bus Service**

The Committee noted a press release from the County Council regarding changes to Service 311 and the introduction of Service 811 between Blandford and Dorchester.

86. **WEST DORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL**

(a) Planning Obligations Guidelines

The Committee received and considered a letter dated 27th March, 2009 from the Planning Policy Division seeking this Council's comments on the consultation document Planning Obligations Guidelines together with a copy of the newsletter, Plan It.

It was

RESOLVED

That Members be requested to submit their own comments direct to the West Dorset District Council.

(b) West Dorset Design and Sustainable Development Guidelines

The Committee noted that the planning guidelines on design and sustainable development in West Dorset were now in place, having been adopted on 3rd February, 2009.

(c) Tree Works

The Committee noted that consent had been granted to fell 14 trees and replace with 1 Holly, 1 Sycamore and 1 Paperbark Birch and carry out surgery to 25 trees at Culliford Court.

87. **DORCHESTER AREA COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP**

The Committee noted that the Dorchester Area Community Partnership had published its Community Plan for 2009 – 2012.

88. **INFORMATION REPORTS**

The Committee received and noted various reports which had been submitted for information.

During consideration of this item a Members referred to advertisement signage which had recently appeared at the corner of Wollaston Road for the new town houses.

It was

RESOLVED

That the Town Clerk be requested to draw the attention of the West Dorset District Council to the advertisement.

89. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- (a) Appeal – PA 1/D/08/2279 – Carry out internal alterations to convert former caretaker’s flat into additional classrooms at Sunninghill Preparatory School, South Walks Road

The Committee noted that an appeal had been lodged with the Planning inspectorate against the West Dorset District Council’s refusal of this planning application and that the appeal would proceed by way of written representation on or after 14th May, 2009.

- (b) Generally

The Committee considered planning applications referred to this Council for comment by the West Dorset District Council.

It was

RESOLVED

That the comments on the various planning applications as now agreed and set out at Appendix I be notified to the West Dorset District Council.

(Councillor T.C.N. Harries declared a Prejudicial Interest in Planning Application10287 as his wife was a shareholder and withdrew from the Meeting for its consideration.)

Chairman

PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED

Planning Applications considered on 27th April, 2009:

1 10287

New training ground at Dorchester Town Football Club. 1/D/09/0433

No objection.

2 10288

3 houses & 4 garages with apartment over (amended scheme) at Units 4, 5, 9 & 10 Section 4.00B, Peverell Avenue West. 1/D/09/0374

No objection.

3 10289

Advertisement consent to erect 1 fascia sign, 1 wall sign, 1 "welcome" sign, 1 directional sign & 1 post mounted sign at Compass House, The Grove. 1/D/09/0407

The Council recommend refusal of the pole mounted illuminated sign but have no objection to the other signage.

4 10290

Retain 2 shipping containers at Jonson Trading Park. 1/D/09/0393

The Council have no objection provided the shipping containers are not sited on the northern boundary.

5 10291

Erect a porch at 70 Manor Road. 1/D/09/0504

No objection.

6 10292

Change of use from B2 (General Industrial) to B1 (Business). Construct new first floor at 4 Parkway Farm. 1/D/09/0510

No objection.

7 10293

General industrial building at Unit 6, Parkway Farm Business Park, Middle Farm Way.
1/D/09/0436

No objection.

8 10294

Replace fence with new 2.5m high fence at Poundbury Crescent Play Area. 1/D/09/0521

No comment, this is a Town Council application.

9 10295

Retain 1 Extract flue & 2 Extract louvers at 8 The Forum Centre. 1/D/09/0469 (CA)

No objection.

10 10296

New suspended ceiling at 45a South Street. 1/D/09/0406 (CA)

No objection.

11 10297

Listed Building consent to erect a non-illuminated projection sign with wrought iron/steel bracket at Savernake House, 42 High West Street. 1/D/09/0519 (LB & CA)

No objection.

12 10298

New dwelling with integral garage on land adjacent to 11 Rothesay Road. 1/D/09/0531

No objection.

13 10299

2 office extensions at St. Osmund's School. 1/D/09/0557

No objection.

14 10300

New residential 8 bedroom care home and 2 dwelling houses for affordable housing, with associated outbuilding, gardens, parking and boundary walls at Plot 4.00C Peverell Avenue West. 1/D/09/0561

No objection.

15 10301

Listed Building consent to erect 3 non-illuminated signs. Install door phone at South Grove Cottage, Trinity Street. 1/D/09/0454 (LB (Grade II) &CA)

No objection.

16 10302

Advertisement consent to erect 3 non-illuminated signs at South Grove Cottage, Trinity Street. 1/D/09/0453 (LB (Grade II) & CA)

No objection.

17 10303

Erect a single storey extension. Replace store with garage at 42 Coburg Road. 1/D/09/0441

Recommend refusal. The Council have concerns that the proposed dormer will impact on the neighbours and the proposed extension is over development of the site.

18 10304

Replace 2 roof lights with dormer window. Construct timber decking at 37 High Street, Fordington. 1/D/09/0593 (CA)

No objection.

19 10305

Outline application to construct a new dwelling at 10 Queens Avenue. 1/D/09/0555

Recommend refusal. The Council are strongly of the opinion that this proposal does not enhance the existing building and is not in keeping with the Conservation Area.

20 10306

Erect porch at 1 Highgrove Close. 1/D/09/0609

No objection.