

DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

4th JANUARY, 2010

At a Meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 4th January, 2010:

PRESENT Councillors M.A. Allwood, R.M. Biggs, V. Black, T.C.N. Harries, L.E. Heath, C.M. Hebditch, F.E. Kent-Ledger (Chairman), R.B. Potter and M.E. Rennie.

APOLOGIES for absence were received from Councillors C.S. Biggs, A.J. Canning, E.S. Jones and Trevor Jones.

62. **MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 7th December, 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.

63. **OVERNIGHT PARKING CHARGES – TOWN CENTRE CAR PARKS**

Further to Minute 58 the Committee noted that representatives from the Dorset County Council and the West Dorset District Council and the Chief Executive of the Dorchester and District Chamber of Commerce would be attending the meeting on 1st February, 2010 to discuss this matter.

Following discussion it was

RESOLVED

That the Town Clerk be requested to circulate with the agenda papers the traffic survey document from the Chamber of Commerce referred to at Minute 58 and details of charges for town centre car parks and on-street parking.

64. **OCCUPANCY OF LONG STAY CAR PARKS BY TOWN CENTRE RESIDENTS**

Further to Minute 50 the Committee noted that the West Dorset District Council's Executive Committee at its meeting on 15th December, 2009 had recommended that Dorchester town centre residents' permits should remain at £200 per annum pending further discussions with the County Council.

65. **PROPOSED TAXI RANK – CHARLES STREET**

The Committee received and consider a letter and map dated 22nd December, 2009 from the Dorset County Council giving details of a proposed taxi rank in Charles Street as requested by the West Dorset Hire Drivers Association.

It was

RESOLVED

That this Council support this proposal.

(Councillor T.C.N. Harries declared a Personal Interest in this matter as he is a taxi driver.)

66. **ESTIMATES – 2010-11**

The Committee considered its Estimates for 2010-11.

It was

RECOMMENDED

That the Estimates for 2010-11 be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

67. **TREES**

The Committee noted that the West Dorset District Council had approved the following tree works:-

- To reduce 1 Hawthorn by 40-50% at 2 York Terrace;
- To fell 2 Conifers and 1 Sycamore at 28 South Walks Road;
- To fell 1 Thuja and replant a Mulberry and fell 1 Bay and replace with a Quince at 7 Linden Avenue;
- To carry out works to 1 Eucalyptus and to raise the crown of 1 Acer at 46 Prince of Wales Road;
- To crown raise 1 Western Red Cedar and fell 1 Macrocarpa at 4 Queens Avenue.

68. **INFORMATION REPORTS**

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

(Councillor R.B. Potter left the Meeting at this point.)

69. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

- (a) Appeal – PA 1/D/09/0830 – Erect new dwelling at 16 Garfield Avenue

The Committee noted that the Planning Inspectorate had dismissed this Appeal.

- (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.

Chairman

PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED

Planning Applications considered on 4th January, 2010:

1 10452

Form driveway incorporating retaining walls on 3 sides at 12 Wessex Road. 1/D/09/1785

Recommend refusal. The Council are of the opinion that there is insufficient information with this application regarding the height of the retaining walls and the materials to be used for the driveway.

2 10453

Vehicular & pedestrian metal gates & mesh fence at South Grove Cottage, Trinity Street. 1/D/09/1706 (Grade II LB and CA)

No objection.

3 10454

Listed Building consent for vehicular & pedestrian metal gates & mesh fence at South Grove Cottage, Trinity Street. 1/D/09/2007 (Grade II LB & CA)

No objection.

4 10455

Retain dwelling & carry out alterations at 23c Damers Road. 1/D/09/1993 (CA)

No objection.

5 10456

Form vehicular access, construct parking space, entrance steps & retaining wall at 26 Icen Way. 1/D/09/2006 (CA)

No objection.

6 10457

Form vehicular access, construct parking space, entrance steps & retaining wall at 26 Icen Way. 1/D/09/2005 (CA)

No objection.

7 10458

Conversion of existing building from garage workshop into 2no. two bedroom houses at 21 Colliton Street. 1/D/09/1979 (CA)

No objection.

8 10459

Conservation Area consent for the conversion of existing building from garage workshop into 2no. two bedroom houses at 21 Colliton Street. 1/D/09/1980 (CA)

No objection.