



# Dorchester Town Council

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You are summoned to a **Meeting** of the **Dorchester Town Council** at **Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Dorchester** on **Monday 27 January 2020** at **7.00pm**, to conduct the following business: -

1. **Apologies & Minutes** (Pages 2 - 8).
  - a) To confirm the Minutes of the meeting of Council held on 25 November 2019.
  - b) To confirm the Minutes of the Special meeting of Council held on 21 December 2019.
2. **Presentations, Communications, Questions and Motions**
  - a) To receive communications from the Mayor and the Town Clerk
  - b) To consider motions/questions from Members received 5 days before the meeting
3. **Minutes of Committees**

To receive and consider the Minutes of the following Committees:

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4. **Update from Dorchester Ward Members of the Dorset Council**

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Adrian Stuart Town Clerk

22 January 2020

A Public Question Time will take place after the meeting.

### Public Speaking at the Meeting

The Chairman has discretion to allow members of the public to speak at the meeting. If you wish to speak please ask the Chairman before the meeting starts. We ask speakers to confine their comments to the matter in hand and to be as brief as is reasonably possible.

### Member Code of Conduct: Declaration of Interests

Members are reminded of their responsibility to disclose appropriate pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests. A Member who declares a pecuniary interest must leave the room unless a dispensation has been granted. A Member who declares a non-pecuniary interest may take part in the meeting and vote.

**Dorchester Town Council**  
**Meeting of the Dorchester Town Council**

**25 November 2019**

Present: Mayor R. Biggs and Councillors, S. Biles L. Fry, T. Harries, J. Hewitt, F. Hogwood, S. Hosford, G. Jones, S. Jones, F. Kent-Ledger, A. Lyall, R. Major, R. Potter, M. Rennie and R. Ricardo.

Apologies: Councillors, B. Armstrong-Marshall, A. Canning, A. Chisholm, D. Leaper and D. Taylor.

**29. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of Council held on 30 September 2019 were confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record.

**30. Communications & Motions**

The Mayor thanked all those involved in supporting Remembrance Day and reported on his recent visit to the Guildhall in London for an event to celebrate the Rifles Regiment. He notified Council of Damers School's success in becoming the national SAS Plastic Free School Champion and agreed to write to the school.

**31. Planning and Environment Committee – 7 October 2019**

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting be adopted.

**Resolved**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 7 October 2019 be adopted.

**32. Planning and Environment Committee – 4 November 2019**

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting be adopted.

**Resolved**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee held on 4 November 2019 be adopted.

**33. Management Committee – 11 November 2019**

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting be adopted.

A Member commented on recent social media posts in relation to work carried out at another Council regarding minute 38.

**Resolved**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Management Committee held on 11 November 2019 be adopted.

34. **Policy Committee – 18 November 2019**

It was proposed and seconded that the minutes of the meeting be adopted and the Chairman highlighted two recommendations to Council. A Member spoke in support of the grant to the Thomas Hardy Victorian Fair.

**Resolved**

- a) That the Medium Term Financial Strategy that underpins the new Corporate Plan should be built on the assumption that
  - i) The Council Tax charge will rise broadly in line with the annual inflation level affecting the Council's expenditure
  - ii) That no assumption is made for an increase in the tax base due to the increase in taxable properties in the town, nor for the general impacts that arise from such growth
  - iii) That the Town Council is open to the idea of taking on new debt for specific projects, either to improve its own service infrastructure, or to assist a partner to improve its infrastructure, or to secure an asset that might support the delivery of objectives included in the Corporate Plan, but would investigate and consider each project on its merits
  - iv) That, due to its continued maintenance of a number of alternative risk mitigation mechanisms the Town Council will operate with a General Reserve level of £100,000
- b) That, consistent with the Council's declaring of a Climate Emergency, alternative approaches for heating the Municipal Buildings are explored, including consideration of a biomass heating system, with a view to making a grant application to Low Carbon Dorset for a package of measures to significantly reduce energy use within the building.
- c) That the minutes of the meeting of the Policy Committee held on 18 November 2019 be adopted.

35. **Update from Dorchester Ward Members of the Dorset Council**

Councillors Fry, S. Jones and Rennie identified a number of issues being progressed at the Dorset Council including a reconfirmation of the Article 4 direction relating to property frontages in Dorchester's conservation areas and updates on the work of the Executive Advisory Panels relating to Housing, Highways and the Local Plan, including a recent Local Plan workshop.

Council received a presentation by the Town Clerk using material received from the Dorset Council regarding its draft Corporate Plan. A local resident expressed views regarding the level of priority being given to the Climate Emergency and invited the Town Council to highlight the need for the Dorset Council to strengthen its commitment.

Council considered the draft Plan in detail, raising a list of issues, which are summarised at Appendix to these minutes.

**Resolved**

That Dorchester Town Council provides a detailed response to the consultation, covering the issues raised during the debate, to be drafted by the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman of Policy Committee and circulated to all Councillors prior to its submission during late December.

Mayor

Council rose at 8.30 pm.

At a Public Question Time following the meeting responses were provided to a resident regarding the Council's actions since its declaration of a Climate Emergency in May 2019, whether the Corporate Plan on the Council's website reflected its commitment to the Climate Emergency and whether the Council would extend its commitment to include an Ecological Emergency.

**DORSET COUNCIL CORPORATE PLAN**

**Comments by Dorchester Town Council**

**OVERVIEW**

The Climate Emergency must be core to, and must be at the heart of all Council

4 years is too short, a 10 year strategy is needed

It is essential that the Corporate Plan is turned into real delivery

We are very keen to be constructively engaged with and we believe we have a lot to offer if DC wants to be genuinely open and flexible

The list of partners should also include neighbouring authorities and Dorset should engage with them actively

**ECONOMIC GROWTH**

**Key Sectors**

Recognise the needs of the county, include the Care sector as a key Economic Growth sector, and assist it to become a better paid career path

Taking advantage of our existing Cultural (Arts, Museums, Heritage) background there should be a much greater emphasis on a strategy to support this sector

Recognising a demographic time-bomb among local employers, Dorset's workforce needs to fit with the future needs of employers – not all of them will be high tech. Liaison with local education providers to promote local opportunities

Understand and respond to the needs of small business

Support apprenticeship opportunities with local companies

Lobby for reduction in Business Rates to support town centres

**Procurement**

Prioritise sustainable, environmentally conscious, local suppliers through the Procurement process

There needs to be a strong commitment to paying local suppliers as quickly as possible

**Other**

Greater emphasis on Sustainable Transport, including delivery of electric charging points

Dorset Council should actively support a coherent Commercial Recycling service

Focus on ethical investment in the Pension Fund

Rather than focusing on 5G, for most residents and businesses 3G/4G and decent phone coverage would be good enough

### **UNIQUE ENVIRONMENT**

The County needs a Tree Planting strategy

There should be a programme of advice and support for managing grey water

### **SUITABLE HOUSING**

#### **The Housing Picture**

Describe how the current Housing picture meets the needs of local people and plan any development to meet local needs

#### **Affordable Housing**

Greater commitment to delivering Affordable Housing. The Dorchester Prison site and London Road are both excellent examples of the failure of the planning system to deliver relevant affordable housing

Deliver affordable family homes that echo the positives that were achieved by the historic Council House model, there should be an added focus on the affordable rented sector

#### **New Housing & Planning**

Challenge Government regarding the excessive numbers of new properties imposed on Dorset through the Local Plan process

Lobby Government regarding the rebalancing of benefits between private developers and the community

Lobby Government to prioritise the needs of local people, not the national housing market, when delivering the local plan

#### **New Housing & the Climate Emergency**

New Housing must be sustainable and climate friendly

Ensure any grants schemes are climate friendly

We need to lobby Government regarding inclusion of Renewables as a core part of planning system

#### **Existing Housing**

There needs to be a focus on developing a process of supporting the changing of existing housing to meet climate targets

Develop a coherent plan to reduce the reliance on fossil fuels to heat Dorset's domestic properties

There should be a real focus on delivering solar on domestic properties, particularly through working with Housing Associations

### **STRONG HEALTHY COMMUNITIES**

There needs to be much stronger support for Culture (Arts, Museums, Heritage)

Development of public transport which is relevant to workers and visitors

There needs to be a programme of support to allow local communities to innovate solutions to support Stronger Healthier Communities

There needs to be a recognition of the role played by Town and Parish Councils in delivering sports fields, play spaces, parks and leisure facilities to support the Stronger Healthier Communities agenda

There needs to be a clear strategy to support Youth services, including a recognition of the role of youth clubs

There should be support for the establishment of community energy and shared car schemes

### **STAYING SAFE AND WELL**

The looked after children strategy should be based on provision within Dorset

If DC intends to focus on IT based contact systems it needs to be backed by a programme of improving access to basic IT infrastructure for those in need in rural areas

There needs to be more recognition of and visible support within the community for, those who are in fear of crime and cyber-crime

There needs to be a recognition of the potential for trafficking and modern slavery in a coastal county

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25 Nov 2019

# Dorchester Town Council

## Special Meeting of the Dorchester Town Council

21 December 2019

Present: Mayor R. Biggs and Councillors S. Biles, A. Chisholm, L. Fry, T. Harries, J. Hewitt, F. Hogwood, S. Hosford, G. Jones, S. Jones, F. Kent-Ledger, A. Lyall, R. Major, R. Potter, M. Rennie and R. Ricardo.  
Apologies: Councillors, B. Armstrong-Marshall, A. Canning, D. Leaper and D. Taylor.

### 36. **Honorary Citizenship**

Council considered a motion to confer the Honorary Citizenship of Dorchester on Mr David Trevor Jones, known to all as Trevor.

Members received speeches in support of the motion from Mr Andrew Peel, Mr Clive Rennison and Mr Dennis Holmes, regarding their experience of working with Trevor on Council business over his career as a councillor at Dorchester Town Council, Dorset County Council and West Dorset District Council.

The Mayor also conveyed good wishes on behalf of Mrs Maggie Ansell, representing the Dorchester Community Plays Association and Mr David Ferre of Dorset Ambulance Trust.

The Mayor formally proposed the motion emphasising his personal appreciation of Trevor's contribution over his many years of service to the communities that he represented. The Chair of the Policy Committee, Susie Hosford, seconded the motion, highlighting Trevor's personal strengths and humanity.

Other Members spoke in support of the motion.

### **Resolved**

That Dorchester Town Council confer the Honorary Citizenship of Dorchester on Mr David Trevor Jones OBE.

Trevor addressed the meeting in his capacity as an Honorary Citizen of the town, following which the Mayor closed the meeting.

Mayor

Council rose at 12.55 pm.



**Dorchester Town Council**  
**Planning and Environment Committee**

**2 December 2019**

Present: The Mayor, Councillor R Biggs and Councillors A. Canning, L. Fry, T. Harries, J. Hewitt, S. Hosford, G. Jones, F. Kent-Ledger, R. Major, R. Potter (Chairman) and M. Rennie.

Also in attendance: Councillor Alistair Chisholm.

Apologies: Councillors S. Jones and R. Ricardo.

**48. Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Fry stated that as a member of Dorset Council's Area Planning Committee, he would keep an open mind on the planning applications and consider all information available at each stage of the decision process. He would take part in the debate but not vote on planning applications at this meeting.

Councillor G. Jones stated that as a Dorset County Economic Development Officer, he would keep an open mind on the planning application WD/D/19/002470 and consider all information available at each stage of the decision process. He would take part in the debate but not vote on this planning application.

Councillors R. Biggs, J. Hewitt, S. Hosford, F. Kent – Ledger and M. Rennie all stated that as trustees of Dorchester Municipal Charities they would keep an open mind on planning application WD/D/19/002581 Former Tennis Courts East of, West Walks, Dorchester and consider all information available at each stage of the decision process. They would take part in the debate but not vote on this planning application.

**49. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 4 November were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**50. Presentations**

**1) WD/D/19/002627 Dorset County Hospital, Williams Avenue, Dorchester, DT1 2JY.**

Members received a presentation from Nick Johnson, Director of Strategy, Transformation and Partnerships Ben Print, Programme Manager, Guy Kippen, Partnership Manager and Fiona Petch Architect from Dorset County Hospital Foundation Trust.

Members heard that the existing car parking provision was insufficient for patients, staff and visitors and the situation would not improve as the demands made on the hospital over time increased due to expansions in services and a growing population. Members were informed that the proposed plans would meet the hospital's parking

needs until 2026. The existing layout was confusing and caused difficulties for drivers searching for parking spaces. The affect being that a number of appointments were missed each year, costing the NHS £160 per each appointment missed and increased anxiety in patients prior to their appointments.

Members were told that the new plans included provision for 55 disabled parking spaces closer to the hospital's main entrances and drop off points with a time limit. Members heard that the material selection and appearance of the building would allow for the building to be used as public art and provide provision for a green wall.

A Member asked if the number of parking spaces included in the proposed plans could be increased and was informed that the Hospital would be working on a transport plan to encourage service users to use more environmentally friendly alternatives.

Concerns were raised about the existing trees. Members were informed that a tree planting plan had been devised and any trees that were lost would be replaced, it had been recommended that new trees would be replaced for trees that encourage pollination.

The Chairman thanked the team from the Dorset County Hospital for their presentation.

### **Resolved**

The Committee considered the application, comment in appendix 1 to be submitted to the Dorset Council.

### **2) WD/D/19/002470 37 - 38 High West Street, Dorchester, DT1 1UP**

Members received a presentation from Daniel Cantrell of Crickmay Stark Architects on behalf of the applicants, George Aldridge and Charlie Fowler regarding the application for the demolition of existing buildings and the erection of one A1 retail unit and 9 flats over three storeys including a double-height space along the West elevation for the central three dwellings.

Members heard that the proposed flats would be of different sizes to meet market demands. Four of the flats would include lifts. Members noted that the majority of the flats had been designed with the bedrooms on the lower level and the living space on the upper level to maximise the daylight and views and would include Roof Top Gardens.

Members noted that provision had been made for 6 parking spaces, sufficient space would be provided for turning and parking and a green wall would be incorporated in the design.

Members heard that it was proposed that the new building should be deferential to the existing buildings, rather than dominating them, the street frontage would be no higher than 36 High West Street, and anything taller would be set back.

Members heard that the existing restaurant would cease trading in its current location but that the existing Barbers had requested to remain in situ once the works had been completed.

A member questioned if electric car charging points would be incorporated into the design and was pleased when it was confirmed that at least two electric car charging points would be included. The committee requested that consideration be given to including renewable energies such as solar panels into the design.

**Resolved**

The Committee considered the application, comments in appendix 1 to be submitted to the Dorset Council.

**51. Planning Applications for Comment**

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

**Resolved**

That Dorset Council be notified of the comments agreed on the various planning applications as set out in Appendix 1 to these minutes.

**52. Minute Update Report**

**1) Minute 25 (3 September 2018) Requests for New Parking/Traffic Restrictions**

Members noted that the parking restrictions on both sides of the junction of Weatherbury way and Mellstock Avenue had been implemented. Members agreed that the 'Safer Route to School' programme appeared to be working well and agreed that the Clerk to the Committee should write to the Dorset Council in order to highlight that the programme had been welcomed by Dorchester Town Council.

Members noted that their previous request for double yellow lines at:

a) Both sides of the junction of Rothesay Road and South Court Avenue

b) Both sides of the junction of Ashley Road and Monmouth Road

c) Both sides of the junction of Culliford Road South and Monmouth Road

would continue to be monitored and requested further updates when they became available.

**2) Minute 33 (7 October 2019) Speed Indicator Device (SID)**

Members noted that the SID had been purchased and would be installed at Herrington Road and Alington Avenue. Members heard that the Outdoor Service team would need to be trained to install the SID, and training would be timetabled in the near future. Members noted that data had been requested for London Road.

### 3) **Minute 34. (7 October 2019) Dropped Kerbs Requests**

Members noted that the request for dropped kerbs submitted by Dorchester Town Council had been approved and would be completed by the end of November 2019 (weather permitting).

#### **Resolved**

- 1) That the Clerk to the Committee write to Dorset Council to notify them that the Dorchester Town Council has welcomed their 'Safer Route to School' programme.
- 2) That the minute update report be noted.

### 53. **Request to Adopt the Mellstock Avenue Public Payphone Kiosk**

Members considered a request from a member of the public to adopt the Mellstock Avenue Public Payphone Kiosk for the purpose of a community library. It was reported that the person who had made the request would prepare a proposal and project plan and submit it to the Council. Councillors noted that the deadline to request to adopt the Kiosk was 23 December 2019.

Members noted that it would cost £1 to adopt the kiosk and once the transfer had been completed would be responsible for all support and maintenance of the phone box and for any liability resulting from the phone box or its use.

If power was present at the kiosk the Town council would have the option to take ownership of the power supply, or for BT to continue to supply the power free of charge on behalf of the Town Council.

Members agreed to adopt the payphone kiosk and elected to take the ownership of the power supply.

#### **Resolved**

That a request to adopt the Mellstock Avenue Payphone Kiosk be submitted to BT and that Dorchester Town Council take ownership of the power supply.

### 46. **Planning Issues to Note**

There were no Planning Issues to Note.

### 47. **Urgent Items**

Members noted that Wessex Water would be holding a public drop in session regarding the sewage protection scheme being planned for the Great Field would be held at the Quiet Space at Poundbury on 10 December from 10am – 7pm.

Chairman

**Dorchester Town Council Planning and Environment Committee – 2 December 2019**

**North Ward (Councillor A. Canning )**

1. **WD/D/19/002470 37 - 38 HIGH WEST STREET, DORCHESTER, DT1 1UP**  
Demolition of existing buildings and erect 1.no A1 retail unit and 9.no dwellings.  
No objection in principle. The Planning and Environment Committee requested that the applicants bear in mind the efforts of the Dorset Council and Dorchester Town Council to use renewable energies where possible and hoped that renewable energies would be incorporated in to the design in this time of climate emergency.
2. **WD/D/19/002506 9 ARNHAM GREEN, DORCHESTER, DT1 2PS**  
Erect first floor extension over existing flat roof.  
No objection.
3. **WD/D/19/002571 8 THE FORUM CENTRE, TRINITY STREET, DORCHESTER, DT1 1TT**  
Change of use of part of the retail unit (A1) to a gym/health and fitness centre (D2).  
No objection in principle but the Planning and Environment Committee did strongly object to the loss of the Silver Birch tree and requested that adequate lighting be installed next to unit 6 for safety purposes.
4. **WD/D/19/002581 FORMER TENNIS COURTS EAST OF, WEST WALKS, DORCHESTER**  
Erection of 19no. one bedroom affordable flats, including one wheelchair accessible dwelling.  
No objection, the Planning and Environment Committee welcomed the application.
5. **WD/D/19/002510 15 VICTORIA ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 1SB**  
Erect single storey rear extension.  
No objection.
6. **WD/D/19/002600 24 GLYDE PATH ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 1XE**  
Conversion of loft space & insertion of dormer windows.  
No objection.
7. **WD/D/19/002617 64 HIGH WEST STREET, DORCHESTER, DT1 1XA**  
Removal of a modern interior partition on the first floor.  
No objection.
8. **WD/D/19/002641 VESPASIAN HOUSE, BARRACK ROAD, DORCHESTER**  
Enclose existing porch to create an entrance lobby, new combined access/egress to the existing car park from Barrack Road, creation of a loading bay/pull-in area, rationalisation of the existing 10no. car parking spaces and the provision of 2no. new cycle stores, together with improved hard and soft landscaping.  
No objection but the Planning and Environment Committee would welcome provision for electric car charging points.
9. **WD/D/19/002655 FLAT 15, PALACE COURT, DURNGATE STREET, DORCHESTER, DT1 1EU**  
Replace 3no. timber windows with 3no. upvc windows.

No objection.

10. **WD/D/19/002656 FLAT 14, PALACE COURT, DURNGATE STREET, DORCHESTER, DT1 1EU**

Replace timber windows with upvc windows.

No objection.

**North & West Ward**

11. **WD/D/19/002627 DORSET COUNTY HOSPITAL, WILLIAMS AVENUE, DORCHESTER, DT1 2JY**

Erection of multi storey car park & improvements to internal site roads & temporary change of use of former school field to car parking.

No objection in principle. The Planning and Environment Committee welcomed the efforts of the applicant to work with the Planning Authority. The Committee felt strongly that the multi storey carpark should meet the needs of the hospital and should not be expected to meet the needs of nearby residential streets. It was hoped that other measures could be incorporated in to the design to mitigate fumes and it was felt that it was crucial that the hospital's plans to encourage and implement green travel proceed. The Committee were concerned about the environmental impact from the removal of existing trees and hoped that a tree planting scheme would be incorporated into the plan to include more established trees which would also mitigate any loss of existing views.

**West Ward (Councillors L. Fry, J. Hewitt and R. Ricardo)**

12. **WD/D/19/002521 31 GREAT WESTERN ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 1UF**

Display of internally illuminated and non illuminated fascia signs.

Recommend Refusal.

The Committee considered that the signage, by virtue of its size, design, materials and type of illumination results in inappropriate signage that is obtrusive and fails to respect the character and setting of the Conservation Area and the adjoining Scheduled Ancient Monument. Much of the signage appeared to be unnecessary even if it was not illuminated. The proposal is therefore contrary to Policies ENV 4. And ENV. 14 of the Adopted Local Plan.

Additional Applications

**North Ward (Councillor A. Canning)**

**WD/D/19/002649 25 MOUNTAIN ASH ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 2PB**

Erection of single storey extension, convert garage into additional living space. Demolition of conservatory.

No objection.

**WD/D/19/002637 Listed Building Consent 32 HIGH WEST STREET, DORCHESTER, DT1 1UP**

Display of 2.No non illuminated signs.

No objection.

**Dorchester Town Council**  
**Planning and Environment Committee**

**6 January 2020**

Present: The Mayor, Councillor R Biggs and Councillors L. Fry, T. Harries, J. Hewitt, S. Hosford, G. Jones, S. Jones, F. Kent-Ledger, R. Major, R. Potter (Chairman), M. Rennie and R. Ricardo.

Also in attendance: Councillors S. Biles, F. Hogwood and D. Leaper.

Apologies: Councillor A. Canning.

**56. Declarations of Interest**

Councillor Fry stated that as a member of Dorset Council's Area Planning Committee, he would keep an open mind on the planning applications and consider all information available at each stage of the decision process. He would take part in the debate but not vote on planning applications at this meeting.

**57. Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 2 December 2019 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

**58. Request for Parking Restrictions**

Mr Johnson addressed the Committee on behalf of the Robins Garth Management Company. He reiterated the parking problems being experienced in the cul de sac including the blocking of the private parking spaces, the refuse lorry being unable to gain access on a regular basis, access problems for emergency vehicles and parking on the junction that he had previously reported at the Planning and Environment Committee held on 4 December 2017.

The residents were renewing their request which had previously been supported by the Committee, for double yellow lines, similar to those in Lancaster Road and Beech Court, on the north side of the road and around the turning circle.

Members heard that Mr Johnson had been verbally informed by the then Dorset County Council that the provision of double yellow lines on part of the North side of Robins Garth had been added to their list of works, however he had been advised that it was not a priority and the work would be carried out if similar works were to be carried out in the vicinity. Since then works had been completed in Icen Way but the double yellow lines in Robins Garth had not been implemented. He had contacted the Dorset Council and had been informed that the request had been forgotten.

Mr Johnson requested that the Planning and Environment Committee renew their support for the request for parking restrictions in Robins Garth.

The Committee considered Mr Johnson's request and sympathised with the residents of Robins Garth with the problems that they were experiencing on an ongoing basis. Members felt that the problems experienced by residents of Robins Garth were experienced widely throughout the Town by other residents and felt that it should be reiterated to the Dorset Council that a review of the Town's Traffic and Parking Strategy was required as a matter of priority. Members requested that the Clerk to the Committee invite a senior officer of the Dorset Council to attend the next meeting of the Planning and Environment Committee to discuss the Town's Traffic and Parking Strategy.

**Resolved**

That the Clerk to the Committee invite a senior officer of the Dorset Council to discuss the Town's Traffic and Parking Strategy.

**59. Petition Received**

Members considered a petition received from local residents requesting a continuation of the closure of Colliton Street to through traffic to be made permanent with retractable bollards on the site of the existing closure.

Members were concerned about the effect that the permanent closure of Colliton Street would have on neighbouring streets such as Friary Lane, Friary Hill, Frome Terrace, Orchard Street, The Bow, North Square and the High Street. Members were also concerned about the effect a permanent closure would have on businesses and residents in the area and suggested that other traffic calming methods may be more suitable. It was felt that a traffic flow study would be required before the road was reopened before Members could consider the request further.

**Resolved**

That a request be made to the Dorset Council for a traffic flow study for both ends of Colliton Street, The Bow, Friary Lane, Friary Hill, Orchard Street, North Square, Frome Terrace, Friary Hill and the High Street as a matter of urgency.

**60. Planning Applications for Comment**

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

Three members of the public attended the meeting to raise their concerns about application WD/D/19/002964 Offices, 23 High East Street, Dorchester.

**Resolved**

That Dorset Council be notified of the comments agreed on the various planning applications as set out in Appendix 1 to these minutes.

**61. Minute Update Report**

Members heard from Councillor S. Jones that the Traffic Regulation Order for the weight restriction at Long Bridge Way and St George's Road had come into effect but the signage was yet to be installed. Members noted that the planned parking



restrictions would need to be re-advertised as the time had lapsed for them to be put in and for the traffic road order to come into effect.

62. **Planning Issues to Note**

Members noted the Planning Issues reported

63. **Urgent Items**

There were no Urgent Items.

Chairman

**Dorchester Town Council Planning and Environment Committee – 6 January 2020**

**South Ward (Councillors G. Jones, R. Potter and M. Rennie)**

- 1 WD/D/19/002648 FORMER BREWHOUSE, 1 BREWERY SQUARE, DORCHESTER, DT1 1HX**  
Conversion of former brewhouse to residential use to provide 29 apartments and 32 parking spaces, commercial space, storage areas associated with the residential, addition of new floors, creation of new openings in external and internal walls (with variation of condition 1 of planning permission WD/D/18/000794 to amend the approved plans).  
No objection.
- 2 WD/D/19/002930 FORMER BREWHOUSE, BREWERY SQUARE, DORCHESTER, DT1 1HX**  
Alterations to provide 29 apartments & 32 parking spaces, commercial space, storage areas associated with the residential, addition of new floors, creation of new openings in external & internal walls (with variation of condition 1 of listed building consent WD/D/18/000795 to amend the approved plans).  
No objection.

**North Ward (Councillor A. Canning)**

- 3 WD/D/19/002784 UNIT 11, GROVE TRADING ESTATE, DORCHESTER, DT1 1<sup>ST</sup>**  
Considered at Dorchester Town Council's Planning and Environment Committee held on Monday, 6 January 2020.  
Change of use from car valeting facility (sui generis) to MOT & car servicing garage (B1/B2 use). Existing roof profile to be amended/raised, new wall & roof cladding.  
No objection.
- 4 WD/D/19/002964 OFFICES, 23 HIGH EAST STREET, DORCHESTER**  
Conversion of office space to residential accommodation and removal of industrial buildings to rear of site and erection of new buildings to provide a total of 14no. dwellings  
Object.  
Members welcomed the principle of residential development and the design and architecture of the proposed plans. However Members had concerns regarding the following:
- Belief that it is overdevelopment – 14 dwellings is too many.
  - Concerns over additional traffic to Durngate Street – Members requested reassurance that a robust Construction management Plan would be in place, giving particular consideration to both nearby businesses and residents.
  - Members requested a thorough archaeological investigation of the site.
  - Members recognised the pavement in Durngate Street as being one of the oldest in Dorchester and requested special care of it during construction.
  - Members requested electric charging points for vehicles to be included in the plans.

With the comments detailed, Members recommended refusal as the application contravenes ENV12 of the Adopted Local Plan.

**West Ward (Councillors L. Fry, J. Hewitt and R. Ricardo)**

- 5 WD/D/19/002791 6 DAGMAR ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 2NA**  
Demolish existing single storey rear extension and erect new single storey rear extension.  
No objection.
- 6 WD/D/19/002758 69 QUEENS AVENUE, DORCHESTER, DT1 2EP**  
Erection of flat roof rear dormer window with Juliet balcony.

Object.

The Committee felt that the design of the proposed flat roof rear dormer with Juliet balcony would be too dominant and overbearing on the original building and would have a negative visual impact, resulting in it being out of keeping in the local area.

The Committee were also concerned that the proposals would allow overlooking views into neighbouring gardens and properties which would reduce several neighbours' current level of amenity. Therefore, the proposed application contravenes policies ENV 12 and 16 of the approved Local Plan.

#### **Additional Applications**

##### **East Ward (Councillors T. Harries, S. Jones, F. Kent-Ledger and R. Major)**

**7 WD/D/19/002857 16 PRINCE OF WALES ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 1PW**

Erection of single storey rear extension and front porch with internal and external alterations.

No objection.

**8 WD/D/19/002858 68 CASTERBRIDGE ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 2AG**

Replace existing roof with raised roof to form loft conversion.

No objection.

**9 WD/D/19/002902 50 LONDON ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 1NE**

Demolition of garage and conservatory. Erection of single storey rear and side extensions.

Objection.

The Committee considered that by reason of its design and mass, and building close to the mutual site boundary the proposal would have an unacceptable overbearing effect on the occupants of the neighbouring property and result in overshadowing and loss of light impacting negatively on residential amenity.

The proposal would therefore be contrary to Policy ENV 16 of the adopted Local Plan.

##### **West Ward (Councillors L. Fry, J. Hewitt and R. Ricardo)**

**10 WD/D/19/002883 72 MAIDEN CASTLE ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 2ES**

Erection of porch, two storey rear extension and front fence. Widen existing vehicular access.

Objection.

The Committee recommended refusal of the application as the request to remove the existing pivot (sic) hedge would change the street scene, contravening policy ENV10 of the adopted Local Plan.

The Committee were unable to consider the Erection of porch and two storey rear extension due to the lack of plans provided in relation to that aspect of the application and were surprised that Dorset Council had allowed this application to be registered with so little detail shown.

##### **South Ward (Councillors G. Jones, R. Potter and M. Rennie)**

**11 WD/D/19/002861 10 POPE STREET, DORCHESTER, DT1 1GW**

Change of use of ground floor of retail unit from A1/A3 to part A1/A3 & D1 & change of use of basement floor of retail unit from A1/A3 to service area for the Estate Management.

No objection.

# Dorchester Town Council

## Management Committee

13 January 2020

**Present:** The Mayor (Councillor R. Biggs) and Councillors S. Biles, A. Canning, J. Hewitt, S. Jones, F. Kent-Ledger (Chairman), D. Leaper, A. Lyall, R. Major, R. Potter, M. Rennie and R. Ricardo.

**Apologies:** Councillors L. Fry and D. Taylor.

39. **Minutes**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 11 November 2019, adopted by Council on 25 November 2019, were taken as read and were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

40. **Management Arrangements – Outdoor Services**

The Committee considered a report from the Outdoor Services Manager updating it on the work undertaken and the achievements made by the Outdoor Services Team since the last meeting of the Committee. The Outdoor Services Manager responded to Members detailed questions.

The Outdoor Services Manager reported that, for the safety of the public, the Borough Gardens and Maumbury Rings would be closed during winds of 50mph or more.

Members wished to thank the Outdoor Services staff for their work over the Christmas period particularly in respect of the Christmas lights and the planters at the bottom of South Street.

**Resolved**

That the Outdoor Services Team update be noted.

41. **2020-21 Estimates, Special Items and Fees and Charges**

The Committee considered a report by the Town Clerk which incorporated draft Estimates for 2020-21 in respect of Allotments, Cemeteries, Cultural and Twinning, Municipal Buildings and Parks Gardens and Open Spaces. The report also included details regarding Reserves and the main changes which affected the proposed budget. The Deputy Town Clerk responded to Members detailed questions.

Members noted that circa £19,000 had been provisionally included for Special Items and the report set out proposals in respect of that resource.

The report also set out proposals for Cemetery fees and hire charges for the Municipal Buildings, Borough Gardens House and the Tennis Courts.

Whilst discussing this matter Members also raised the issue of the Town's twinning links with Bayeux and relationship with the Bayeux Society and requested that a report on the history and future of twinning be presented to the next meeting of the Committee.

**Resolved**

- (1) That the Policy Committee be informed that the draft Estimates for 2020-21 be approved so far as this Committee is concerned including the Special Items as set out below:-
  - War memorial – remedial works to the weathered faces - £7,000.
  - Borough Gardens – create a rose pergola north of the tennis courts - £4,000.
  - Events – Additional support for events delivered by other organisations - £5,000
  - Play areas – replacement of self-closing gate mechanisms - £3,000
- (2) That the charges for hire of the Municipal Buildings and Borough Gardens House not be increased in 2020-21.
- (3) That the Tennis Court membership fee be increased to £30 per year with a discount of £5 to those members that live in the town.
- (4) That the charges in respect of Dorchester, Fordington and Poundbury Cemeteries be as set out in Appendix 1 with effect from 1 April 2020.

42. **Salisbury Fields**

Members considered a report by the Deputy Town Clerk on a proposal to install an adventure / play trail at Salisbury Fields. Four similar play trail designs with costs were presented to Members who agreed that the lowest cost trail be purchased and installed. Funding for the proposal was available from the play area reserve. The Committee requested that careful consideration be given to the siting of the equipment.

**Resolved**

That the play trail identified in the reports be installed at Salisbury Fields at a cost of £3,995.

43. **Requests for Financial Assistance**

The Committee considered various requests for financial assistance.

**Resolved**

- (1) That the grant application from Dorset ME Support Group be not agreed.
- (2) That the grant application from the Sexual Trauma and Recovery Service (STARS), in the sum of £500, be agreed.
- (3) That the grant application from Dorchester Arts Parkinson's Dance, in the sum of £500, be agreed.

(The Chairman declared an interest in respect of (3) and did not speak or vote, Councillor J. Hewitt, Vice-Chairman took the Chair for that item. Councillor S. Jones also declared an interest and did not speak or vote.)

44. **Cemetery Matters**

(a) Exclusive Right of Burial and Interments and Burial of Ashes

The report which detailed the Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial for grave spaces and the number of interments and burials of ashes together with South Chapel usage at Dorchester Cemetery, since the last meeting of the Committee had been placed on the Council's internet.

**Resolved**

That the report on the Grants of Exclusive Right of Burial and Interments and Burial of Ashes since the last meeting of the Committee be noted.

(b) Headstones and Inscriptions

The Committee received and noted applications for the design of headstones and inscriptions.

**Resolved**

That the action of the Town Clerk in approving designs numbered 5099 to 5109 be confirmed and the Register of Memorials be signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

(c) The Social Fund (Children's Funeral Fund for England) Regulations 2019

The Committee had before it a report by the Deputy Town Clerk on the implementation of The Social Fund Regulations 2019. Members noted the information contained within the report and agreed the change to the cemeteries fees structure. Members felt that information about this fund might usefully be put in a future edition of the Town Council newsletter.

During discussion it was reported that the wildflower signs at Fordington Cemetery needed replacement and also that a number of graves at Poundbury Cemetery had unauthorised memorials on them. It was agreed that Poundbury Cemetery should be included in the February site visits meeting.

**Resolved**

That the report be noted and that change in the cemeteries fees structure be agreed.

45. **Buildings Monitoring Reports**

The Committee received the monitoring reports for the Municipal Buildings and Borough Gardens House.

**Resolved**

That the Buildings Monitoring Reports be noted.

46. **Dorchester Arts**

The Committee noted the minutes of the Dorchester Arts Board meeting held on 29 October 2019.

It was noted that there had still been no decision regarding The Maltings.

47. **Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960**

**Resolved**

That in view of the fact that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the following matters the public and press representatives be excluded from this meeting during their discussion.

48. **Municipal Buildings and Borough Gardens House Regular Hire Discounts 2020-21**

The Committee considered a report by the Town Clerk which set out a schedule of the hire discounts, and the reason for the discounts, received by various hirers of rooms within the Municipal Buildings and the Borough Gardens House Community Room. The report also set out proposed revised charges for those discounted regular hirers.

**Resolved**

- (1) That the schedule of discounts be agreed.
- (2) That the revised charges be agreed as from 1 April 2020.

49. **Lease Renewal**

The Committee considered a report by the Deputy Town Clerk seeking authority to renew the lease of John's Pond for a further 30 years on the same terms and conditions as previously.

**Resolved**

That the lease for John's Pond be renewed for a further 30 years.

Chairman

## DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL

## Dorchester, Fordington and Poundbury Cemeteries Fees 2020-2021

<b>INTERMENTS</b>	1 Apr 20
a) A child before 2 years or stillborn	Nil
b) A person aged 2 years or older	£655
c) A casket of ashes	£180

**SCATTERING OF ASHES**

a) In a previously used plot or in the Poundbury Pavilion chamber	£62
b) In the Garden of Remembrance	£30

**EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF BURIAL IN EARTHEN GRAVES**

For an exclusive right for 50 years, including Memorial Rights in an earthen grave:

a) Full Sized Plot	£945
End of term Renewal for 25 years	£800
b) Ashes plots and infant under the age of 2	£630
End of term Renewal for 25 years	£490

Additional Interment, Scattering and Exclusive Rights fees will be charged for

- Non-residents – fee doubled. Residence is defined as living in Dorchester or Winterborne Herringston within the previous **ten** years or previously resident for at least **twenty-five** years.
- Non-standard grave sizes – additional fee to be agreed with the Funeral Director

**MONUMENTS, GRAVESTONES, TABLETS AND MONUMENTAL INSCRIPTIONS**

Where not already included in an exclusive right of burial, for the right to erect or place a headstone, footstone, tablet, flat stone, plaque or monument in any other form at any site. £215

An additional inscription, after the first, on a gravestone or other memorial (for each deceased) £103

**CHAPEL HIRE**

Use of South Chapel at Weymouth Avenue

*Note – in line with the decision of the Service Review Task and Finish Group, the closure of the South Chapel for Funeral Services, so as to enable a full review of uses for both North and South Chapels, will be investigated this year.* £250

VAT is not chargeable on any of the above fees



# Dorchester Town Council

## Policy Committee

20 January 2020

**Present:** Councillors B. Armstrong-Marshall, R. Biggs, A. Chisholm, T. Harries, F. Hogwood, S. Hosford (Chair) and G. Jones

**Attending:** Councillors J. Hewitt and D. Leaper

### 21. Minutes and Declarations of Interest

The Minutes of the Committee of 18 November 2019, adopted by Council on 25 November 2019, were taken as read and confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Councillor R. Biggs declared a non-pecuniary interest as a trustee of Dorchester Youth and Community Centre in relation to item 24 Revenue Budget 2020/21 and Medium Term Financial Strategy.

### 22. Finance Update at 31 December 2019

The Committee noted the Town Clerk's update covering the Council's Month 9 budget, cash, debtors and payments position.

A Member asked a question regarding a specific debtor and the Committee reconfirmed its approach.

#### **Resolved**

That the Payments list, totalling £217,184.31 is approved.

### 23. Climate Emergency - A Preliminary Response

The Committee considered a document focused on reducing the Council's carbon footprint, assisting community partners to consider and reduce their CO2 emissions and working with the community to educate and initiate changes in the ways that residents and workers act.

The Town Clerk identified progress on developing ideas for a key project relating to the heating of the Municipal Buildings, explaining the need for the urgent appointment of specialist architect support. Members considered the alternative outcomes of waiving standing orders or going to competition for the appointment.

The Committee considered examples of the success and failure among emerging alternative heating technologies and the evidence gathering exercise currently underway.

A minor rewording was made to clarify that no decision had yet been made to vacate 19 North Square. A Member asked that Dorchester's ward councillors invite the

Dorset County Pension Fund to consider its position relating to investments. Members agreed to retitle the document to reflect that it was likely to evolve over time. Members also considered how to share best practice with peers and the wider community.

### **Resolved**

- a) Due to the specialist architectural knowledge accumulated of the grade 2\* Municipal Buildings, due to the need to expedite the work in order to secure grant support, and noting that the fee proposal is in line with industry standards for this form of work, Crickmay Stark are appointed as architects for the Municipal Buildings Heating project

### **Recommended to Council**

- b) That £100,000 is transferred to the Municipal Buildings Reserve to fund a new low carbon heating system
- c) That A new Climate Emergency Fund is created, with an initial contribution of £125,000, to be used to support the delivery of the Climate Emergency Preliminary Response document
- d) That the Climate Emergency Preliminary Response, included in the Policy Committee agenda with amendment, be approved and subjected to consultation in order to be adopted by May 2020.

## **24. Medium Term Financial Strategy and Revenue Budget 2020/21**

The Town Clerk introduced a report which covered the Committee's own budget, the Council's overall budget, explained the Council's approach to the management and use of Reserves and placed all of these into the context of the Medium Term Financial Strategy.

The Committee discussed the changes made to the budget and clarified that they had the ability to make further changes in year if required. They also discussed the needs of residents in the different property bands and noted the small increase in the tax base for 2020/21. A Member sought clarification that the sums held in Earmarked Reserves were currently based on estimated costs only. It was agreed that the term Cornhill Environmental Improvements should in future be used for works around the Town Pump.

Members asked for an update regarding The Maltings project and the Town Clerk agreed to provide one once it became available.

### **Recommended to Council**

That the Medium Term Financial Strategy and Revenue Budget 2020/21 are adopted as laid out in Appendix 1 to the Minutes of the Policy Committee, to include: -

- A Council Tax Band D charge of £196.64, an increase of £3.86 (2.00%)

- A precept of £1,503.515, an increase of 2.70%
- The inclusion of one-off contributions to a new Climate Emergency Reserve (£125,000) and the Municipal Buildings Reserve for climate emergency related works (£100,000).

**25. Corporate Plan: 2019 – 2024 Development and 2015 – 2019 Update**

The Town Clerk provided a revised High Level Focus document which would identify the key messages to be developed in the new Corporate Plan.

The Committee agreed some additional amendments to the document.

**Recommended to Council**

That the Corporate Plan High Level Focus, included at Appendix 2, is adopted for consultation with partners and the community.

The Committee then noted updates regarding projects that remain outstanding from the previous Corporate Plan.

Chairman

## Appendix 1

<b>REVENUE BUDGET 2020/21</b>	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21
	Actual	Budget	Budget
	£	£	£
Parks & Open Spaces	480,463	566,091	558,832
Allotments	3,289	4,952	3,331
Municipal Buildings	202,438	312,528	320,441
Cemeteries	42,284	51,407	64,921
Cultural & Twinning Activities	67,045	57,770	49,039
Corporate & Democratic Manage.	213,132	226,981	228,972
Other Services	143,545	169,183	273,202
<b>Operational Budget</b>	<b>1,152,196</b>	<b>1,388,912</b>	<b>1,498,739</b>
Precept	1,388,243	1,463,971	1,503,515
<b>Transfer to General Reserves</b>	<b>236,047</b>	<b>75,059</b>	<b>4,777</b>
<b>Subjective Analysis of Revenue</b>			
Employees	656,483	729,202	729,078
External Payments	418,922	529,460	511,860
Transfers to Earmarked Reserves	216,657	265,600	394,000
Capital Financing Costs	45,333	44,300	41,200
Income	-185,199	-179,650	-177,400
<b>Operational Budget</b>	<b>1,152,196</b>	<b>1,388,912</b>	<b>1,498,739</b>
<b>General Reserve</b>			
Opening Balance at 1 April	322,261	250,261	100,000
Transfer from Ops Budget	236,047	75,059	4,777
To Corporate Projects Reserve	308,047	225,320	4,777
<b>Closing Balance at 31 March</b>	<b>250,261</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>100,000</b>
<b>Earmarked Reserves</b>			
Opening Balance at 1 April	1,043,492	1,204,233	1,729,608
Transfer from Revenue	524,704	490,920	398,777
Other Income & Transfers	0	78,912	0
Expenditure from Reserves	363,963	44,457	412,482
<b>Closing Balance 31 March</b>	<b>1,204,233</b>	<b>1,729,608</b>	<b>1,667,403</b>
<b>All Reserves held at year end</b>	<b>1,454,494</b>	<b>1,829,608</b>	<b>1,767,403</b>
Tax Base	7,345	7,594	7,646
Band D Charge	189.00	192.78	196.64
O/s PWLB Debt at 31 March	196,000	162,000	128,000

<b>Medium Term Financial Strategy</b>	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23
	£000	£000	£000	£000
<b>Revenue Budget</b>				
Employees	729	729	744	759
External Payments	529	512	522	533
Transfers to Earmarked Reserves	266	394	177	180
Capital Financing Costs	44	41	39	28
Income	-180	-177	-181	-185
New/Transferred Services	0	0	200	200
<b>Operational Budget</b>	<b>1,389</b>	<b>1,499</b>	<b>1,501</b>	<b>1,515</b>
Precept	1,464	1,504	1,534	1,564
<b>Transfer to General Reserves</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>General Reserve</b>				
Opening Balance at 1 April	250	100	100	100
Transfer from/to Operational Budget	75	5	33	50
Transfer to Corporate Projects Reserve	225	5	33	50
<b>Closing Balance at 31 March</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>
<b>Earmarked Reserves</b>				
Opening Balance at 1 April	1,204	1,681	1,667	1,177
Transfers/Payments in to Reserves	571	399	210	230
Payments/Transfers out from Reserves	94	412	700	400
<b>Closing Balance 31 March</b>	<b>1,681</b>	<b>1,667</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>1,007</b>
<b>All Reserves held at year end</b>				
Corporate Project Unallocated at Year End	467	471	33	83
Outstanding Debt at Year End	£k	162	128	94
Council Tax	£	193	197	201
Tax Base		7,594	7,646	7,646

#### Notes

1. Inflation at 2.00%, Debt repayment per current debt profiles
2. Precept assumes Council Tax rises @ 2.00%, no Tax Base growth
3. Best estimate of new or transferred services, driven by cuts in other tiers
4. Operational surplus is transferred to Corporate Projects Reserve
5. Corporate Projects Reserve to be allocated as part of next Corporate Plan
6. Earmarked Reserves expenditure reflects best available knowledge
7. General Reserve reduced due to other mitigation measures in place
8. Further limited savings may be identified in budgets during review processes

## **DORCHESTER TOWN COUNCIL**

### **HIGH LEVEL FOCUS OF THE CORPORATE PLAN**

#### **AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

- Work proactively with the Dorset Council to develop stronger policies to support the delivery of truly affordable housing
- Focus resources and effort into working with key partners on a programme of unlocking and developing sites across the town for affordable housing

#### **COMMUNITY, CULTURE, HEALTH AND WELLBEING**

- Working with other agencies and community partners, develop our understanding of the general needs of our community and the specific needs of vulnerable groups
- Maintain and, where appropriate, adapt the Council's Community, Sports, Cultural and Health & Wellbeing service delivery to meet the requirements of the town's residents and visitors, either directly or working with local partners
- Resolve the future of the Municipal Buildings to make a relevant and environmentally efficient contribution to the town's community

#### **THE ENVIRONMENT**

- In response to the declared Climate Emergency, proactively support practical steps to reduce the impact that the Council and the town's community has on its environment
- Focusing in particular on the Town Centre, support the introduction of sustainable practices that assist the town's community and other key partners to improve the town's appearance

#### **LOCAL ECONOMY, TRANSPORT AND PARKING**

- Working with other agencies and business representatives, develop our understanding of how the town's economy can be strengthened
- Working initially with the town's Heritage and Tourism sectors, develop a holistic strategy to maximise the benefits of tourism to the town
- Work with the Dorset Council to agree and implement a new Transport and Parking strategy that resolves the competing demands of residents, workers and visitors to the town

#### **FUTURE GROWTH OF DORCHESTER**

- Develop the Town's existing response to the pressure for development of new housing emerging through the Local Plan process

#### **GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION**

- Ensure that the Council's governance, communication and administration arrangements remain relevant to the needs of the town and are delivered efficiently and effectively