Minutes of the <u>SPECIAL MEETING</u> of the Swanage Town Council held at the Town Hall on FRIDAY, 6th January 2006 at 9.30 a.m.

Present Councillor A H Miller – Chairman

Councillor Mrs C A Bartlett Councillor C R Bright Councillor Mrs J Farrow

Councillor Mrs C D Gainsborough

Councillor M Hadley

Councillor M A Tyrer (until 12 noon)
Councillor Mrs J D Wheeldon (until 11.25 a.m.)

1. APOLOGIES Apologies for their inability to attend the Meeting were received from

Councillors M W Pratt, G M Suttle and W S Trite.

The Chairman reminded members that the function of the Planning Committee is to form a view of each application on behalf of the town. This is then expressed as an observation to the Purbeck District Council.

Councillors C R Bright and Mrs J D Wheeldon did not vote on, or propose, or second any of the motions on the following planning applications, by reason of being elected members of the Purbeck District Council's Planning Board.

Under the Model Code of Conduct, Members declared a formal interest as Trustees of the De Moulham Trust in applications relating to the Trust.

2. PLANS The following submitted applications for permission to develop were

considered.

Plan No Applicant, Proposal, Site, & Observation.

Non-Delegated Application

6/2005/1088 Turner 2K (Swanage) Ltd

Demolish existing dwelling and erect 2 maisonettes and 2 flats with

associated parking, form new vehicular access.

21, Priests Road, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Refuse unanimously. Consider gross overdevelopment of

the site.

Delegated Application

6/2005/1067 **M Shepherd**

Erect single storey side extension. 15, Taunton Road, Swanage. **OBSERVATION:** Approve.

6//2005/1089 Mr & Mrs Moyler

Insert dormer window in north elevation.

18, Richmond Road, Swanage. **OBSERVATION:** Approve.

6/2005/1094 Mr & Mrs Luker

Erect two storey rear extension to form garage and bedroom above.

2, Holmes Road, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Refuse unanimously. Consider gross overdevelopment of the site. Further consider that the fence surrounding the property is visually intrusive, and request an investigation into its erection by the Purbeck

District Council's Enforcement Officer.

6/2005/1095 Mr & Mrs Grant

Erect side conservatory and insert fixed window to side elevation.

2, Shaston Close, Swanage. **OBSERVATION:** Approve.

6/2005/1101 Mr Denholm

Erect a garage.

42, Newton Manor Close, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Refuse. Consider would be detrimental to the amenity space. Recommend enforcement action to return the area to its previous condition.

6/2005/1103 Mr & Mrs Windle

Demolish existing garage, erect single storey extension and new detached garage.

12, Redcliffe Road, Swanage. **OBSERVATION:** Approve.

6/2005/1106 Mr & Mrs Smith

Insert dormer window in north elevation.

33, Cauldron Crescent, Swanage. **OBSERVATION:** Approve.

6/2005/1111 Mr & Mrs Hatton

Demolish existing timber porch and erect new porch.

Create loft conversion - Certificate of Lawfulness - Proposed

30, Richmond Road, Swanage. Cauldron Crescent, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Approve. Subject to a Certificate of Lawfulness.

Under the Model Code of Conduct, Members declared a formal interest in the following application as freeholders of the land.

6/2005//1117 Swanage Choral & Operatic Society

Retain wooden building for storage of theatrical scenery. (Renewal). Swanage Bay View Holiday Park, Panorama Road, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Defer. The landlord has not been notified.

6/2005/1141 **Mr D Power**

Erect three storey extension to annexe. Claire House, 1, Park Road, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Refuse. Consider that the scale of the proposed development is excessive, resulting in a cramped overdevelopment of the site, lacking amenity space, and overlooking neighbouring properties.

Under the Model Code of Conduct, Members declared a formal interest in the following application as freeholders of the land.

6/2005/1146 Mr & Mrs Roberts

Erection of timber decking.

Plot 238, Swanage Bay View Holiday Park.

OBSERVATION: Approve.

6/2005/1150 Chief Executive

Replacement generator including demolition of old building and provision

of new generator housing.

Swanage Hospital, Queens Road, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Approve.

6/2005/1155 Victoria Flats Residents Association (Swanage) Ltd

LISTED Insertion of stabilising straps to secure pediment to roof timber.

Royal Victoria Apartments, 1, High Street, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Approve.

6/2005/1158 Mr Angel

Install balcony at first floor level on rear elevation.

11, Exeter Road, Swanage. **OBSERVATION:** Approve.

6/2005/1159 Mrs P Clewes

Erect attached dwelling with integral garage.

Plot adj, 281, High Street, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Refuse. Consider overdevelopment of the site.

6/2005/1167 **Mr Williams**

Re-develop site of former dairy buildings with 15 business/commercial

Units (use classes B1& B8).

Unit 2, Victoria Avenue Industrial Estate, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: Approve.

3. SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL, MOUNT SCAR

Further to Minute No.3 of the Special Meeting of the Council held on 18th July 2005, consideration was given to a schedule of amended costs received from Dorset County Council for the provision of the school crossing patrol at Swanage First School.

During the ensuing discussion, concern was expressed at the increased estimate of costs for providing this service, and Members felt that these should be borne by the County Council, particularly having regard to the amount of Council Tax received from second homes in Swanage.

It was proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

To adhere to the previous decision i.e. the Town Council offers to fund the post up to a maximum sum of £4,068.15, if necessary, using Section 137 powers.

It was further proposed by Councillor Mrs. Wheeldon, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Farrow, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That an application for recovery of the funding costs be lodged with the Purbeck Community Partnership.

4. **MEMORIAL**

Further to Minute No.79 (c) of the Council Meeting held on 26th September 2005, a letter dated 15th December 2005 was submitted from the Rotary Club of Swanage and Purbeck outlining further proposals and possible locations for a memorial for Eddie Corben.

During the ensuing discussion, the possibility of replacing the existing plaque in the Rotary Garden on Sandpit Field with a suitable memorial to Eddie was considered, bearing in mind his long association with the Club. A further suggestion was that a memorial plaque be incorporated within the new pavilion when it is constructed in King George's Field. This would be a lasting and fitting tribute to his memory, and any potential financial contribution would be of direct benefit to the youth of the town. This was the Council's preferred option, and it was proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Wheeldon, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That permission be given for a suitable memorial for Eddie Corben to be incorporated within the Rotary Garden (or close proximity) on Sandpit Field, or within the new pavilion when it is constructed in King George's Field.

5. **PROPOSED BUILDING, NORTH BEACH CAR PARK**

Further to previous discussions regarding the proposed building at North Beach Car Park, the Clerk updated those present on the latest position regarding the requirements of the Environment Agency for the new building to be located outside the flood plain, which would require for the structure to be relocated within the car park.

A lengthy discussion followed, during which Members re-affirmed their support of the proposed new building, but considered that it was of paramount importance for the flood plain to be clearly defined before the matter could be progressed.

It was proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Tyrer, and RESOLVED:-

That the Town Council continues to support the construction of the proposed new coastguard building in principle, subject to a satisfactory flood risk assessment being undertaken.

6. EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Farrow, and RESOLVED:-

That, as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, the public will be excluded from the Meeting during consideration of the following matters.

7. **LEASES**

(a) Santa Fe – Storage Facility

Before consideration of this item, Councillor Bright declared his interest under the Model Code of Conduct, by reason of being an elected Member of the Purbeck District Council's Planning Board. He remained in the Meeting during the debate, but did not vote on the matter.

Further to Minute No.84 of the Council Meeting held on 26th September 2005, the Clerk reported on the requirement for planning consent to be obtained for the storage facility that had recently been introduced at the Santa Fe Amusement Park. Following a brief discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Tyrer, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Bartlett, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That the Swanage Town Council submits the appropriate planning application to Purbeck District Council.

(b) Fisherman's Catch

The Clerk reported that parking facilities requested for workmen undertaking restoration works at the Fisherman's Catch were no longer required.

(c) Swanage Railway

The Clerk reported that a meeting to discuss the Revision of Terms of the Lease with Swanage Railway was to be held later that afternoon.

(d) <u>Taxi Office – Lease Renewal</u>

Before consideration of this item, Councillor Mrs. Bartlett declared her interest under the Model Code of Conduct, by reason of a personal and pecuniary interest in the taxi operations, and left the Meeting during the debate.

The Clerk reported on the impending expiry of the lease of the taxi office (31st January 2006) with Swanage Associated Taxis, and following a brief discussion, it was proposed by Councillor Bright, seconded by Councillor Tyrer, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That delegated powers to re-negotiate a lease with Swanage Associated Taxis be given to the Town Mayor, Councillor Pratt and Town Clerk.

8. <u>ANY OTHER MATTERS THE CHAIRMAN DECIDES ARE URGENT</u> Minutes – Caravan Park Committee

Having regard to the urgent nature of matters discussed at the Meeting of the Caravan Park Committee held on 20th December 2005, and the recommendations contained therein, the Minutes of the Meeting were presented for ratification.

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Gainsborough, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Farrow, and RESOLVED:-

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Caravan Park Committee held on 20th December 2005 be approved as a correct record and signed.

Following ratification of the Minutes, it was proposed by Councillor Bright, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Farrow, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:That appropriate Standing Orders be waived,
to enable further negotiations aimed at progression
towards the awarding of the contract.

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