

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Swanage Town Council held to discuss **POLICY AND PLANNING** matters at the Town Hall, Swanage on **MONDAY, 21<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER 2009** at 9.30 a.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor M. Pratt (Town Mayor) – Chairman

Councillor B.J. Audley  
Councillor C.R. Bright  
Councillor M. Hadley  
Councillor Mrs. G.A. Marsh  
Councillor Mrs. A. Patrick  
Councillor S. Poultney  
Councillor W.S. Trite  
Councillor M. Whitwam

### **Public Participation Time**

There were no members of the public present at the Meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for their inability to attend the Meeting were received from Councillors Gloyn-Cox and Suttle.

2. **PLANS**

Under the Model Code of Conduct, Members declared a formal interest in the capacity of Corporate Trustee of the De Moulham Estate Trust in applications relating to the Trust.

Councillor Mrs. Marsh did not vote on, or propose, or second any of the motions on the following planning applications, by reason of being a Member of the Purbeck District Council's Planning Board.

#### **Plan No**

#### **Non-Delegated Applications**

6/2009/0495

#### **Black Gold Developments**

Erect a terrace of 6 dwellings and block of 6 apartments with associated access, parking and landscaping.

Shore House, Shore Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No comment, pending possible future discussions by the Town Council as the corporate trustee of the De Moulham Estate Trust.

#### **Delegated Applications**

6/2008/0728

**Mr P Smith**

Erect 15 beach huts on three levels (5 per tier) at cliff base.  
28 Burlington Road, Swanage.

**Application revalidated after being declared Invalid**

**OBSERVATION:** No comment on the basis of the information supplied. Clarification is required regarding the arrangements to be put in place for the storage and collection of refuse, and for the provision of public conveniences, which if inadequate will create a public nuisance.

Councillor Mrs. Patrick declared a personal interest in the following application under the Model Code of Conduct by reason of a business association with the applicant, and as this was a prejudicial interest, left the Meeting during its consideration.

6/2009/0483

**Mr J Wray**

Demolish existing garage and storage rooms. Erect single storey extension to form garage and utility room with rain water storage under and adjacent to existing building for use in connection with the launderette. Erect pitched roof over existing first floor flat roof and alterations to fenestration.  
59 Kings Road West, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2009/0484

**Mr C Weeks**

Extend existing dormer window and insert additional window.  
3 Park Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2009/0485

**LISTED**

**Ms H Roberts & Mr A Cuthbert**

Replace battens and re-roof.  
Mulberry Cottage, 199 High Street, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

6/2009/0491

**Mr J Walker**

Sever land and erect one bedroomed split level dwelling using existing accesses.

1 Hill Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** Defer for consideration at the Policy and Planning Meeting to be held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

6/2009/0496

**Mr J Wood**

Retrospective application for the retaining wall to the north boundary on Ulwell Road to side of new entrance to Flat 3.  
Ocean Bay, 2 Ulwell Road, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** No comment.

6/2009/0504

**Mr J Lally**

Insert two dormer windows to facilitate loft conversion.  
103 Bay Crescent, Swanage.

**OBSERVATION:** Defer for consideration at the Policy and Planning Meeting to be held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

6/2009/0506      **Purbeck Housing Trust**  
Excavation of grass verge to create hardstanding driveways.  
Certificate of Lawfulness - proposed.  
Land fronting 431/433 High Street & 1 Days Road, Swanage.  
**NO OBSERVATION**

6/2009/0509      **Mr P Davies-Colley**  
Insert three roof lights on north elevation.  
27 Hill View Road, Swanage.  
**OBSERVATION:** No objection.

3.      **BUDGET MONITORING**

(a)      **Statement of Cash Balance**

A Statement of Cash Balance as at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2009 was submitted for information (a copy attached at end of these Minutes).

Arising from the above, the Clerk reported that £206,867 was currently held in a liability account for VAT on car parking.

4.      **PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

Proposed by Councillor Hadley, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Patrick, and  
**RESOLVED:-**

That the accounts specified in the Orders on Treasurer Nos. 6, 6a and 6b, amounting to £211,034.65, £90,125.18 and £49,415.06 respectively be paid, and that cheques be drawn therefor.

5.      **ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN**

The Deputy Town Clerk submitted a draft Asset Management Plan, for information.

Councillor Bright wished to record his appreciation of the sterling work undertaken to date in preparing the comprehensive document, which had been circulated to determine its future consideration.

It was proposed by Councillor Bright, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Patrick, and **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-**

That the draft Asset Management Plan be referred to the General Operations Committee for further consideration before detailed discussion by the Finance and Performance Management Committee.

6.      **ITEMS OF INFORMATION AND MATTERS FOR FORTHCOMING AGENDAS**

(a)      **Purbeck District Council – Core Strategy Consultation**

Members were informed that the Purbeck District Council Core Strategy consultation document was now available at the Town Hall, and that the Planning Policy Manager of Purbeck District Council had been invited to make a presentation to the Town Council. The public consultation period commenced on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> September 2009 and would run for a period of eight weeks closing on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> October 2009. During this time, officers from Purbeck District Council would be holding a “Road Show” so that members of the public would be fully informed of the proposals.

It was **AGREED:-**

That the Town Council's response to the proposals be formalised following consideration of a briefing note to be circulated prior to the Policy and Planning meeting to be held on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

(b) **Purbeck Schools Review – Education in Swanage**

Members were updated on the first meeting of the "Options Forum" and public consultation undertaken by Dorset County Council in respect of the Purbeck Schools Review.

Councillor Trite expressed his concerns regarding the "Options Forum" and requested that the Purbeck Schools Review be placed on a future Agenda for consideration again by the Town Council. Meanwhile, he would prepare a document for consideration by all Members and future submission to the "Options Forum".

7. **EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

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

That, under Standing Order Nos.67 and 68, by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it is advisable in the public interest that the press and public be excluded from the Meeting during consideration of the following legal issues.

8. **LEGAL ISSUES**

(a) **Holiday Park Disposal - Update**

The Clerk updated those present on matters relating to the disposal of the Holiday Park, including issues relating to employment and caravan sales.

It was noted that completion of the disposal was now scheduled to take place on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

The Meeting concluded at 10.45 a.m.

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