

Minutes of the **MONTHLY MEETING** of the Swanage
Town Council held at the Town Hall, Swanage on
MONDAY, 6th OCTOBER 2014 at 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT:-

Councillor Mrs. A. Patrick (Town Mayor) – Chairman

Councillor Mrs. G.A. Marsh

Councillor M. Pratt

Councillor G.M. Suttle

Councillor W.S. Trite

Councillor M. Whitwam

Councillor A. Wiggins

In addition to Members of the Council and officers, approximately 18 members of the public attended the Meeting.

In the absence of a clergyman, Councillor Mrs. Marsh offered a short prayer before the commencement of the Meeting.

Public Participation Time

The following matters were raised during Public Participation Time:-

- An article that had been published in a recent edition of The Gazette.
- Concerns expressed regarding the proposals for future gas drilling at California Quarry in an ‘Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty’, and the impact this may have on the AONB status. Other concerns which were raised again included increased traffic movement along Panorama Road, and access to the Quarry site.

The Town Mayor opened the Council Meeting at 7.15 p.m.

89. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for their inability to attend the Meeting were received from Councillors Mrs. Bartlett, Bonfield, Brown, Miss Harris and Poultney.

90. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members were invited to declare their interest under the Code of Conduct as defined by regulations made under section 30 (3) of the Localism Act 2011.

There were no declarations to record on this occasion.

91. **MINUTES**

(a) Proposed by Councillor Pratt, seconded by Councillor Trite, and **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-**

That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council held on 1st September 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed.

(b) Proposed by Councillor Pratt, seconded by Councillor Whitwam, and **RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-**

That the Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of the Council held on 8th September 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed.

- (c) Proposed by Councillor Pratt, seconded by the Town Mayor, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:-

That the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council held to discuss policy and planning matters on 15th September 2014 be approved as a correct record and signed.

92. **PLANS**

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.

Delegated Applications

6/2014/0473 **Belle Vue Residents Association Ltd.**

Removal of existing timber framed balcony balustrades and replacement with aluminium framed balustrades.

Flats 1-19 Purbeck Heights, Belle Vue Road, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: No objection.

6/2014/0481 **Mr & Mrs Stephen Nelson**

LISTED

Install conservation rooflight and erect timber garden summerhouse.

59 Ulwell Village, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: No objection.

6/2014/0482 **Mr & Mrs Stephen Nelson**

LISTED

Application for Listed Building Consent – Other Development

Install conservation rooflight.

59 Ulwell Village, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: No objection.

6/2014/0483 **Mr & Mrs I. Lever & Mr & Mrs Widdowson**

Minor Material Amendment to PP 6/2012/0507 (Demolish existing dwelling and erect three new dwellings with associated parking) to allow roof lights, gables and garden walls.

9 Ballard Lee, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: No objection.

6/2014/0492 **Mrs Lucy Stocks**

Erect rear extension with roof lantern and insert dormer window in first floor roof slope. Create new vehicular access and parking spaces.

21 Osborne Road, Swanage.

OBSERVATION: No comment.

An assurance was sought that owners of neighbouring properties had received notification of the application.

Items for information only

The following application was not discussed by virtue of the Town Council being the owner of the land included within the application.

6/2014/0479 **Co-operative Food Group Ltd.**

Erect external compound, covered delivery canopy and install external cold room.

Co-operative Store, Kings Road West, Swanage.

6/2014/0484 **Ms Shepherd**

Proposed non-material amendment to PP 6/2012/0507 (Replace existing two extensions, erect new verandah, insert new flue from stove & insert new rooflights, windows & doors) amended by NMA 6/2014/0110 (to increase glazing in verandah and insert rooflight in north elevation) to omit two high level rooflights and insert three rooflights in north elevation, insert two rooflights in south elevation and omit eight solar panels.

Ash Ridge, 20 Russell Avenue, Swanage.

93. **CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Mayor reported that she had attended the following events during the past month:-

- Opening of new 'Land and Wave' premises at Prospect Business Park.
- Swanage Folk Festival – Festival Parade, Youth Music Concert, and Church Service.
- South Coast Rowing Championships.
- Civic Day at Sturminster Newton.
- Ceremony of the Keys at Portland.

94. **PROPOSED GAS DRILLING AT CALIFORNIA QUARRY**

Further to Minute No. 77 of the Council meeting held on 1st September 2014, Members were again provided with the opportunity to comment on the proposed gas drilling at California Quarry.

Some concerns were noted regarding the proposal and it was reported that enquiries were being made of Dorset County Council as the planning authority.

95. **SEAFRONT AND DOWNS STABILISATION SCHEMES**

Following the monthly site meeting held with the contractors and Contract Administrators on 30th September 2014, it was reported that the Seafront Stabilisation Scheme was progressing towards completion.

96. **COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS**

(a) Councillor Whitwam reported that he had attended a meeting of 'Pub Watch' on 10th September 2014, at which it was reported that Dorset Police had not been required to attend any incidents of anti-social behaviour during the past month.

It was also reported that two new members had been recruited to the 'Pub Watch' organisation.

(b) Councillor Mrs. Marsh reported that she had attended the Salvation Army's 'Harvest of the Sea' service on Sunday, 5th October 2014.

97. **REPORTING OF DELEGATED MATTERS**

Further to Minute No. 11 of the Policy and Planning meeting held on 15th September 2014, it was reported that an amended quotation had been received from specialist advisors appointed to carry out a risk assessment in respect of traffic management along Panorama Road.

Following a brief discussion, it was AGREED:-
That the budget for the Panorama Road risk assessment
be increased by £500.

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

Matters for Forthcoming Agendas

- (a) Representation on Purbeck Rail Partnership.

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Proposed by the Town Mayor, seconded by Councillor Trite, and RESOLVED
UNANIMOUSLY:-

That, under Standing Orders 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
matters.

99. **SEAFRONT AND DOWNS STABILISATION SCHEMES**

Further to Minute No. 95 above, and the site meeting held with the contractors
and Contract Administrators on 30th September 2014, the Town Mayor updated
Members on matters relating to completion of the seafront stabilisation scheme.

Concerns were again expressed regarding the pace of progress towards
completion, and it was noted that the contractors and contract administrators had been
invited to meet with Members prior to the Policy and Planning meeting on 20th October
2014 to discuss issues raised.

100. **LEGAL ISSUES**

(a) **RNLI Boathouse Project**

Consideration was given to an application submitted for a temporary Closure of
Footpath No. 26 due to the pending construction of the new RNLI Lifeboat
Station, and details of the planned alternative route.

Following a brief discussion, Members did not wish to submit any formal
comments in respect of this application.

The meeting concluded at 7.40 p.m.
