

OPEN SESSION: There was one member of the public present, who was interested in planning application 08/92514 (Hightown Road); however she did not wish to make a statement.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING, TOWN & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Held on Friday 18 July 2008 at 2.00pm

Apologies

Prior to the commencement of the meeting, the Deputy Town Clerk reported that apologies for absence had been received from Cllr Wiseman and Cllr Cole.

Declarations of Interest

Cllr Terry and Cllr Mrs Terry declared a personal interest in planning application 08/92487, 87 North Poulner Road, as they live in the vicinity. They did not consider the interest to be prejudicial and remained in the meeting.

PRESENT: Cllr N R G Clarke (Chairman)
Cllr M A Steele (Vice-Chairman)
Cllr N J Chard
Cllr L C Ford (*arrived 2.10pm, left 3.35pm*)
Cllr B H Terry
Cllr J A Terry
Cllr B Woodifield

IN ATTENDANCE: Jo Stannard, Deputy Town Clerk
Claire Perrens, Meetings Administrator

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20 June 2008, having been circulated, be approved and signed as a correct record.

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Members considered planning applications in respect of periods ending 18 June, 25 June, 2 July and 9 July 2008.

RESOLVED: That the observations summarised in *Annex 'A'* be submitted.

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TAXI SHELTER

The Deputy Town Clerk reported that the taxi shelter has been erected. There were a number of complaints that the original bench had been removed and the 'perch' seat in the shelter is not suitable for elderly people. Proposals were put forward to replace the perch seat panel with a plain panel and to have a bench fitted across the whole shelter by a local contractor (Peter Noble). As the planned landscaping work could be carried out by Town Council staff, funds were available for the proposed works. The requirement for a plaque or panel and various options was also discussed. A waste bin currently obscures the ideal site for a graphic panel, but it should be possible to have this moved. A press launch will be organized once the bench and panel have been completed.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That a replacement panel be ordered at a cost of £173 (plus delivery costs, to be confirmed);
- 2) That a bench be constructed by Peter Noble at a cost of £270; and
- 3) That a graphic panel be commissioned for the outside of the shelter with the Town Council logo and Sainsbury's logo and the text '*provided by Ringwood Town Council in partnership with Sainsbury's*'.

Cllr Ford left the meeting at 3.35pm

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TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

Members received the notes of the Informal Local Members meeting regarding Ringwood Traffic Management Issues.

RESOLVED: That the notes regarding Ringwood Traffic Management Issues be received and the actions therein approved (*Annex 'B'*).

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 3.50pm.