

**PORTLAND TOWN COUNCIL**

**PLANNING & HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
HELD AT THE COUNCIL OFFICES  
ON THURSDAY, 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2017 AT 7.00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Charlie Flack (Chairman), Susan Cocking, Jim Draper, Lucy Grieve, Sue Lees, Sandra Reynolds, David Thurston and Rod Wild

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Ian Looker (Town Clerk), Andy Matthews (Neighbourhood Plan Working Group) and three members of the public

**2585 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllrs. Jo Atwell and Chris Gover.

**2586 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Mr Matthews declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 6 – Neighbourhood Plan as a trustee of the MEMO project.

**2587 – MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017**

The minutes were formally agreed and signed as a correct record.

**2588 – CHAIRMAN’S REPORT AND OTHER MATTERS ARISING**

Cllr. Flack reported progress on the applications outstanding as follows:-

| <b>Application No</b> | <b>Town Decision</b> | <b>Borough Decision</b> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 15/767/FUL            | Objection            | Pending                 |
| 16/142/FUL            | Objection            | Pending                 |
| 16/216/FUL            | Objection            | Refused                 |
| 16/501/VOC            | Objection            | Pending                 |
| 16/944/FUL            | No Objection         | Approved                |
| 17/082/FUL            | Objection            | Pending                 |
| 17/083/ADV            | Objection            | Pending                 |
| 17/323/FUL            | Objection            | Pending                 |
| 17/223/FUL            | No Objection         | Approved                |
| 17/270/OUT            | No Objection         | Pending                 |
| 17/017/RES            | Objection            | Pending                 |

He next advised on the progress of applications that had been brought to the meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017:-

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|------------|--------------|-----------|
| 17/263/OUT | Objection    | Withdrawn |
| 17/354/COU | No Objection | Approved  |
| 17/371/OUT | Objection    | Pending   |
| 17/360/FUL | No Objection | Pending   |

**a) Minute 2577 – Removal of Public Payphones**

The Clerk reported that he had not taken any further action. Cllr. Lees requested details of the application in order to pursue enquiries herself.

**b) Minute 2578 – Chairman’s Report**

Mr Matthews drew attention to application 16/216/FUL – New Ground, where there had been mineral planning issues. These were likely to have more influence on planning application decisions in the future.

**2589 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Amanda Gee advised members of further correspondence on Hut 45 that she had received from the Borough. The new planning application for the property has not yet been posted on the Borough’s Planning website. She had also placed two Freedom of Information requests for the geologist’s report and the delegation arrangements in force when the application was considered.

**2590 – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Mr Matthews reported that the Heritage & Character Study was now out to public consultation, though there had been few responses to date. A review of green spaces on the Island was about to start and the following week Aecom would begin looking at brownfield sites.

**2591 – CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOTIFIED BY WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL**

Having considered each application in turn, the Advisory Committee agreed the following observations:-

- a) 17/291/FUL} – 137 Wakeham – Erect sun room
- 17/292/LBC}

**NO OBJECTION**, subject to the comments of the conservation and listed buildings officers

- b) 17/462/OFF – Enterprise House, West Way, Southwell Business Park – Change of use from office class B1 to dwelling house class C3

**OBJECTION**, on the grounds that this is within a strategic employment area

- c) 17/372/FUL – Redundant buildings at Broadcroft Quarry, Bumpers Lane – Change of use from redundant quarry depot site to nature reserve incorporating pond and associated sustainable drainage system

**OBJECTION**, on the grounds of no information being available on the Borough website

- d) 17/419/FUL – Eurotubes UK, Park Road – Single-storey side extension to house a precision machining room

**NO OBJECTION**, subject to the external materials being in keeping with the existing building and the surrounding buildings

- e) 17/430/FUL – 7 Yeolands Road – Dormer extension to front

**NO OBJECTION**, subject to the comments of neighbours

f) 17/501/FUL – Hut 45, Red Crane, Access track to Fields 758 and 766-769, Portland Bill – Creation of an underfloor area below replacement hut and the non-compliance with condition 2 of planning permission ref: 16/596/FUL **OBJECTION**, on the grounds that it is a controversial application, that has already arose widespread public concern. Bearing in mind the Borough’s undertaking to adhere to town and parish planning cycles the Committee requested that it be able to view the details of the application, not currently available, before it was considered by the Borough with an extension of the planning consultation period.

**g) Town Planning Committee Responses**

The Committee considered Cllr. Grieve’s report. There was common agreement that if Committee responses were to quote Plan policies some preparatory work would be necessary prior to the meeting.

**2592 – PLANNING CONTRAVENTION ISSUES**

There were none.

**2593 – CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOTIFIED BY DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL**

There were none.

**2594 – PLANNING MEETING VENUES**

No decision was reached.

**2595 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Committee’s next meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at the Council Offices, Easton, starting at 7.00 pm.

The meeting ended at 8.55 pm.

Signed .....  
(Chair)

Dated.....