

PORTLAND TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING & HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD IN EASTON METHODIST CHURCH HALL, EASTON ON WEDNESDAY 23RD MAY 2018 AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT: Councillors Charlie Flack (Chairman), Jo Atwell, Sue Cocking, Jim Draper, Chris Gover, Lucy Grieve, Ray Nowak, Sandra Reynolds, David Thurston and Rod Wild

IN ATTENDANCE: Andy Matthews (Neighbourhood Plan Working Group), Cllr. Kerry Baker (WPBC) and four members of the public.

2717 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received.

2718 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

All Councillors declared an interest in application WP/18/00268/FUL.
Cllr. Draper declared an interest in application WP/CA/18/00065.

2719 – MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 25TH APRIL 2018

Minor amendments had been received from the draft minutes and these had been updated. With these amendments the minutes were formally agreed and signed as a correct record.

2720 – CHAIRMAN'S REPORT, MINUTE UPDATE AND OTHER MATTERS ARISING

Cllr. Flack reported progress on the outstanding applications.
An account of the Portland Town Council's comment and current decision status can be found on Dorset For You / Planning / Portland.

a. Minute 2701(c) – Portland Marina, Hamm Beach Road

The Clerk was further requested to contact Land Trust regarding the continued works at Portland Marina.

Concerns were raised as to the state of the land outside Mess Desk development as there could be dumping taking place.

2721 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chairman was happy to allow members of the public to speak on specific concerns on new applications and agenda items as they occur.

2722 – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Mr Matthews updated the Committee. He mentioned that LPA regulation 14 was ready to move to the stage. The consultation date had changed to 18 June – 30 July.

Concerns had been raised on the second home policy and that of sustainable energy.

They were going to look to see if there were amendments issues outside the DDB.

The working party would look at considered amendments.

2723 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOTIFIED BY WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

The advisory committee discussed 22 new planning applications.

A summary of resolutions is listed below.

A full list can be found at Annex A.

For further information please see Dorset For You / Planning / Portland.

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No objections	11
No comment	7
Object	3

2724 – PLANNING CONTRAVENTION ISSUES

Further conversations were had regarding the application at 35 Easton Street. It was noted that work had already been undertaken before planning had been approved.

It was also mentioned that numerous apple trees had been removed without any known permission.

It was agreed to inform the Enforcements team of these matters.

It was also brought to the attention of the committee of a blocked path at St George's.

It was agreed this was private land and the owners had every right to secure it as there was deemed health and safety issues.

2725 – PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOTIFIED BY DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL

There were none.

2726 – HIGHWAY ISSUES

a. Parking issues at Station Road and Verne Common Road.

Cllr. Flack had met the senior office from Dorset & Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service.

He mentioned that Station Road was a known issue and plans were in place to remedy this.

Verne Common Road had not been mentioned before so he would request that the Portland crew drove this area on a more frequent basis as part of their training.

He also mentioned that East Weare Road had been done.

b. Safer route to school along Park Estate

The committee were in principal supportive of this proposal. However, a number of potential were requested to be fed back to DCC. These included the possibility of overload of runoff on the new gulley and not being convinced the access from the garages would improve visibility. It was also suggested that DCC should speak to the CCG as they could provide input for the GP surgery at Royal Manor Healthcare.

c. Car Parks on Portland

It was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

2727 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Committee’s next meeting is to be held on Wednesday, 20th June 2018 in Easton Methodist Church Hall Easton starting at 7.00 pm.

The meeting ended at 8.50 pm.

Signed Dated..... (Chair)