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Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend the **ADJOURNED ANNUAL MEETING of PORTLAND TOWN COUNCIL**, to be held in the **PETER TRIM HALL, ST. GEORGE'S CENTRE, REFORNE, PORTLAND**, on **WEDNESDAY, 17TH MAY 2017**, commencing at 7.00 pm when the business set out below will be transacted.

It should be noted that it is the Council's intention that all meetings of the Council and its Committees be recorded aurally.

Yours faithfully

Ian Looker
Town Clerk

AGENDA

1. **Chairman's Welcome**
2. **Prayers**
3. **Apologies for Absence**
4. **Declarations of Interest** – to receive any declarations from Councillors or Officers of personal or prejudicial interests regarding matters to be considered at this meeting, together with a statement on the nature of those interests.
10. **Open Forum**
 - a) Police Question Time
 - b) Public Half-Hour
 - c) Reports from Borough and County Councillors
11. **Community Bus** – to receive a presentation from Mr Simon Newport
12. **Minutes of the Town Council Meeting, 19th April 2017** (attached) – to agree and sign
13. **Minute Update and Matters Arising from the Minutes** (attached) – to receive
14. **Written Questions for the Chairman** – to receive replies
15. **Town Mayor's Announcements**
16. **Financial Matters**
 - a) **Payments for Authorisation** (to follow) – to approve
 - b) **Bank Signatories** – to consider the appointment of new signatory(ies) (see attached)
17. **Delegation Arrangements** – to review (see attached)
18. **Terms of Reference for Committees** – to consider action (see attached)

19. **Committees, Sub-Committees and Working Groups** – to appoint members to the following:-
 - a) Finance Committee
 - b) Staffing Committee
 - c) Cheyne Weares Working Group
 - d) Events & Tourism Working Group (see attached)
20. **Standing Orders and Financial Regulations** – to review and, in particular, approve alterations to Standing Order 20 (see attached)
21. **Representatives to Outside Bodies and Voluntary Posts** – to make appointments (see attached)
22. **Insurance Arrangements** – to receive a report from the Clerk
23. **Subscriptions** – to review (see attached)
24. **Complaints Policy and Procedure** – to review (see attached)
25. **Freedom of Information and Data Protection** – to review procedures (see attached)
26. **Media Policy** – to receive a written report from the Clerk (attached)
27. **Minutes of Planning Committee Meeting, 26th April 2017** – to receive the minutes and vote on the recommendation at Minute 2565 (see attached)
28. **Grass-Cutting Contracts, 2017-19**
 - a) Cheyne Weares
 - b) West Weares – to award the contracts (confidential attachment to follow)
29. **Reports from Representatives to Outside Bodies and Voluntary Posts** – to receive (no written reports to hand)
30. **Exclusion of Press & Public** (discretionary)

“That pursuant to the provisions of Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for Agenda Item(s) ...

by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.”

31. Date of Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting will take place on Wednesday, 28th June 2017, at the Peter Trim Hall, St. George’s Centre, Reforne, starting at 7.00 pm.

PORTLAND TOWN COUNCIL

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 19TH APRIL 2017, IN THE PETER TRIM HALL, ST. GEORGE'S CENTRE, REFORNE

PRESENT: Councillors R. Nowak (Chairman), Ms J. Atwell, Mrs S. Cocking, J. Draper, C. Flack, Ms S. Lees, Mrs S. Reynolds, D. Thurston, Mrs S. West and R. Wild.

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

3398 – CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

Cllr. Nowak welcomed all to the meeting and advised of fire precautions at the hall.

3399 – PRAYERS

The Clerk led the meeting in prayer.

3400 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs. C. Gover and A. Sergison, together with Rev. Chris Briggs (Mayor's Chaplain).

3401 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

3402 – OPEN FORUM

a) Police

There were no members of the Police present.

b) Public Half-Hour

A lady asked if there could be a delay to the cutting of the grass verge along the beach road this year in order to let the wild flowers bloom. From the chair Cllr. Nowak said it probably depended on when the Borough had scheduled a cut, but the message would be passed on.

Paul Snow thanked Cllrs. Nowak and West for their opposition to the Borough's sale of land on the Island at the recent Management Committee meeting. Regarding Agenda Item 10(c) he also asked if the scheduled June and December Council meetings could be reinstated. Cllr Nowak said the issue of approval of payments linked to this would be resolved by amendment of Council's Financial Regulations.

c) Reports from Borough and County Councillors

Cllrs. West and Nowak both reported further on the proposed sale of Island sites, questioning the timing of this and how likely it was that Portland would benefit financially.

3403 – MINUTES

(a) Town Council Meeting, 15TH March 2017

Minute 3389(a) – Finance

It was proposed by Cllr Nowak and **RESOLVED** – that the second paragraph be

amended to read, "The resolved motion included an additional sentence that the Finance Committee be given delegated power to approve invoices for payment in the event of no suitably dated Town Council meeting. With amendments to Financial Regulations to follow."

With this amendment the minutes were formally agreed and signed as a correct record.

b) Annual Town Meeting, 5th April 2017

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

3404 – MINUTE UPDATE AND MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

No matters were raised.

3405 – WRITTEN QUESTIONS FOR THE CHAIRMAN

There were none.

3406 – TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cllr. West thanked the people of Portland for their support during her mayoral year. She had recently been interviewed by local radio about the proposed closure of the Lloyds Bank branch on the Island.

3407 – FINANCIAL MATTERS

a) Payments for Authorisation

Cllr. Cocking queried the rate of spending on postage.

RESOLVED – that the schedule of invoices as stated (including cheque refs. 300119 - 300120) in the sum of £5,465.78 including VAT be authorised for payment.

b) 2016/17 Financial Report to 28th February 2017

RESOLVED – that the report be accepted.

c) Payment Procedures

RESOLVED – that the Clerk provide appropriate wording to amend Financial Regulations to allow the Finance Committee to approve payments in the event of the Council not meeting.

3408 – CLOSURE OF LLOYDS BANK BRANCH, PORTLAND

There was general feeling that local action was needed to try to prevent the closure and it was agreed that Cllr. Nowak should coordinate the various efforts.

3409 – COMMUNITY BUS

The Finance Committee was asked to consider options and bring a recommendation back to the Council.

3410 – EVENTS & TOURISM WORKING GROUP

a) Helicopter Event

Cllr. Thurston reported the various arrangements made to date.

RESOLVED – (1) that the Council obtain buff-coloured certificates for the helicopter service staff at an approximate cost of £15, (2) that the Council accept the quotation

to provide refreshments for invited guests at a cost of £630, (3) that the report of the Working Group meeting on 4th April 2017 be received.

3411 – FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING, 10TH APRIL 2017: COUNCIL OFFICES

It was proposed by Cllr. Nowak and **RESOLVED** – that Finance Committee investigate through DAPTC and NALC the procedures for obtaining a loan to purchase the Council Offices and gather outline costs for the necessary building alterations.

3412 – ORDER OF BUSINESS

It was agreed that Agenda Item 15 - Staffing Committee Meeting, 11th April 2017 be discussed at the end of the meeting in confidence.

3413 – CO-OPTION OF COUNCILLOR FOR UNDERHILL WARD

RESOLVED – that Lucy Grieve be co-opted as a member for Underhill.

3414 – ROYAL MANOR PLAYING FIELD

It was proposed by Cllr. Thurston and **RESOLVED** – that the Council appoint a solicitor to deal with the legal aspects of the lease on behalf of the Council for a fee in the region of £500 – £700.

3415 – MAYORS' PLAQUE

It was proposed by Cllr. Reynolds and **RESOLVED** – that Albion Stone move and install the plaque in the Peter Trim Hall for the sum of £655.

3416 – WINDOW CLEANING

It was proposed by Cllr. Nowak and **RESOLVED** – that the front of the Offices be cleaned on a regular basis and the Finance Committee obtain an economical price for this to be done.

3417 – REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES AND VOLUNTARY POSTS

As a result of a DAPTC meeting he had attended Cllr. Wild suggested that the Council look at compiling a list of people locally who were seeking housing accommodation to buy or rent, perhaps as an exercise in conjunction with the Neighbourhood Plan.

Cllr. Nowak reported from the Coastal Communities Forum that no money had been forthcoming for the Castletown Visitors Centre.

3418 – EXCLUSION OF PRESS & PUBLIC

RESOLVED – that pursuant to the provisions of Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for Agenda Item 15 by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

3419 – STAFFING COMMITTEE MEETING, 11TH APRIL 2017

a) Minute 8 – Terms of Reference

RESOLVED – (1) that there be no provision for public participation at future meetings in accordance with Standing Order 4 (e) (ix).

(2) that Council adopt the following set of Terms of Reference for the Staffing Committee:-

1. To establish and keep under review the staffing structure in consultation with the Finance Committee.
2. To draft, implement, review, monitor and revise policies for staff.
3. To establish and review salary pay scales for all categories of staff and to be responsible for their administration and review.
4. To oversee the recruitment and appointment of staff.
5. To arrange execution of new employment contracts and changes to contracts.
6. To establish and review performance management (including annual appraisals) and staff programmes for staff.
7. To oversee any process leading to dismissal of staff (including staff redundancy.)
8. To keep under review staff working conditions, and health and safety matters.
9. To monitor and address regular or sustained staff absence.
10. To make recommendations on staffing related expenditure to the Finance Committee.
11. To consider any appeal against a decision in respect of pay.
12. To consider a grievance or disciplinary matter (and any appeal).
13. To supervise and performance manage the Clerk's work, to administer his leave requests, record and monitor his absence, and handle grievance and disciplinary matters and pay disputes.
14. That the staffing committee meet four times a year in July, October, January and April with additional meetings as necessary.

(3) that Standing Order 20 amended as follows (changes italicised) rest on the table for consideration at the next meeting of the Council:-

20 HANDLING STAFF MATTERS

- a A matter personal to a member of staff that is being considered by a meeting of Council is subject to standing order 11 above.
- b Subject to the Council's policy regarding absences from work, the Clerk shall notify the *Chairman of the Staffing Committee* or, if he is not available, the *Chairman* of the Council of absence occasioned by illness or other reason and that person shall report such absence to the Council at its next meeting.
- c The Chairman of *the Staffing Committee* or in his absence, the Deputy Chairman shall upon a resolution conduct a review of the performance and annual appraisal of the work of the Clerk. The reviews and appraisal shall be reported in writing to the *Staffing Committee* are subject to approval by resolution of the *Staffing Committee*
- d Subject to the Council's policy regarding the handling of grievance matters, the Clerk shall contact the Chairman of the *Staffing Committee* or in his absence, the Deputy Chairman of *the Staffing Committee* in respect of an informal or formal grievance matter, and this matter shall be reported back and progressed by resolution of *the Staffing Committee*.

- e Subject to the Council's policy regarding the handling of grievance matters, if an informal or formal grievance matter raised by the Clerk relates to the Chairman of the *Staffing Committee* or Deputy Chairman of *the Staffing Committee*, this shall be communicated to another member of the Council, which shall be reported back and progressed by resolution of the Council.
- f Any persons responsible for all or part of the management of staff shall treat the written records of all meetings relating to their performance, capabilities, grievance or disciplinary matters as confidential and secure.
- g The Council shall keep all written records relating to employees secure. All paper records shall be secured and locked and electronic records shall be password protected and encrypted.
- h Only persons with line management responsibilities shall have access to staff records referred to in standing orders 20(f) and (g) above if so justified.
- i Access and means of access by keys and / or computer passwords to records of employment referred to in standing orders 20(f) and (g) above shall be provided only to the Clerk and the Chairman of the *Staffing Committee*.

b) Minute 11 – Staff Pension

The request submitted by the officer was accepted. If time permitted, given the circumstances, further clarification on the legal position would be sought.

c) Minute 12 – Staff Leave

The letter would now be written to the officer concerned.

3420 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meetings of the Town Council are due to take place on Tuesday, 16th May 2017 (Annual – Mayor-Making) at the National Sailing Academy, Osprey Quay and Wednesday, 17th May 2017 (Adjourned) in the Peter Trim Hall, St. George's Centre, Reforne, both starting at 7.00 pm.

The meeting ended at 9.20 pm.

Signed Dated.....
(Chair)

MINUTE UPDATE

a) Minute 3402(b), para 2 – Public Half-Hour: Council Meetings

b) Minute 3403(a) – Minutes of Town Council Meeting, 15th March 2017

c) Minute 3407(c) – Payment Procedures

Regarding payment of invoices discussions between members of the Finance Committee and the Clerk led to the view that Financial Regulation 4.1 provided a procedure for approval in lieu of FR 5.2 when the Town Council did not have a meeting.

d) Minute 3409 – Community Bus

See Agenda Item 11.

e) Minute 3416 – Window Cleaning

A window cleaner has been appointed to clean the front monthly and has carried out the first cleaning.

f) Minute 3419(c) – Staff Leave

A letter has been written.

BANK SIGNATORIES

The signatories to the current account are at present Cllrs. Cocking, Flack, Nowak and Wild, together with the Clerk.

DELEGATION ARRANGEMENTS

Council's Standing Orders require a number of functions to be carried out at the Annual Meeting. Standing Order 5(k)(v) requires a regular review of the delegation arrangements to "committees, sub-committees, staff and other local authorities."

At the Annual Meeting last year Council decided to recognise formally the Planning & Highways Committee's delegated ability to make decisions on planning applications.

Last month Council decided to delegate certain responsibilities in respect of staffing matters to its Staffing Committee.

TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR COMMITTEES

Terms for the Finance Committee are currently in draft form.

The Marine, Environment & Tourism Partnership has long-standing terms, which need to be reviewed.

The Planning & Highways Advisory Committee does not have terms as yet. This will be dealt with when time permits.

The Council approved terms for the Staffing Committee last month.

COMMITTEES, SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

Current membership is as follows:-

Finance Committee: Cllrs. Atwell, Cocking, Draper, Flack and Nowak.

Staffing Committee: Cllrs. Atwell, Draper, Gover, Thurston and Wild.

Cheyne Weares Working Group: Cllrs. Atwell, Gover and Lees.

Events & Tourism Working Group: Atwell, Lees, Sergison and Symes.

The Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Council are ex officio voting members of every committee, sub-committee and working group. (SO 4[d]).

STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS

Copies of Council Standing Orders and Financial Regulations may be found on the Town Council website under “Publications”.

The proposed changes to Standing Order 20 may be found in this agenda under the minutes of the Town Council meeting of 19th April, pp 4-5, Minute 3419(a).

**REPRESENTATIVES TO OUTSIDE BODIES AND
VOLUNTARY POSTS IN 2016-17**

COASTAL COMMUNITIES TEAM	1	Councillor Nowak
DORSET ACCESS FORUM	1	Councillor Lees
DORSET ASSOCIATION OF PARISH AND TOWN COUNCILS	2	Councillors Cocking (Larger Councils) and Wild (Central Area)
DORSET WASTE FORUM	1	Councillor Atwell
FOOTPATHS LIAISON	3	Councillors Cocking, Gover and Lees
JURASSIC COAST COMMUNITIES FORUM	1	Councillor Lees
PORTLAND ANCIENT MONUMENTS LIAISON OFFICER (D.C.C.)	1	Councillor Wild Councillor Gover (Deputy)
PORTLAND CENTRE	1	Councillor Atwell
PORTLAND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP	2	Councillors Symes and Wild
PORTLAND QUARRIES LIAISON COMMITTEE (Tophill East and West Wards)	2	Councillors Thurston and Wild
PORTLAND QUARRY PARKS FORUM	1	Councillor Thurston
PORTLAND YOUTH & COMMUNITY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	1	Councillor Symes
PORTLAND YOUTH COUNCIL (Lead Councillor)	1	Vacancy Councillor West (Deputy)
RIGHTS OF WAY LIAISON OFFICER (D.C.C.)	3	Councillor Lees, Cllrs. Cocking and Wild (2 Deputies)
RIGHTS RESPECTING COMMUNITIES STEERING GROUP	2	Councillors Atwell and Flack Councillor West (Deputy)
WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP BOARD	1	Councillor Cocking
COMMUNICATIONS REPRESENTATIVE	1	Vacancy
FINANCE REPRESENTATIVE	1	Chairman of Finance
PROPERTY REPRESENTATIVE	1	Councillor Lees (Cheyne Weares only)

SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Council currently has four subscriptions. Last year the amounts paid were:-

DAPTC	£1,181.77
NALC	£243.00 (DIS Extra: reduced rate paid triennially)
SLCC	£177.00
Guild of Town Criers	£35.00

24. COMPLAINTS POLICY AND PROCEDURE
25. FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND DATA PROTECTION

Copies of the Council's Complaints Policy and Freedom of Information / Data Protection details may be found on the Town Council website under "Publications".

MEDIA POLICY

Council requested at the Adjourned Meeting twelve months ago that a draft media policy be prepared. This is one of a sizeable number of policies and procedures that have to be produced. Some progress has been made in achieving this in the last year, but members will be aware of the resource difficulties involved.

PORTLAND TOWN COUNCIL

**PLANNING & HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD AT EASTON METHODIST CHURCH HALL, EASTON
ON WEDNESDAY, 26TH APRIL 2017 AT 7.00 PM**

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

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

2560 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr David Symes and Ray Nowak.

2561 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Cocking and Draper declared a non-pecuniary interest in application 17/298/FUL – Bowers Mine and Mr Matthews a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 6 – Neighbourhood Plan as a trustee of the MEMO project.

2562 – MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 22ND MARCH 2017

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

2563 – DEPUTY CHAIRMAN’S REPORT AND OTHER MATTERS ARISING

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

Application No	Town Decision	Borough Decision
15/767/FUL	Objection	Pending
16/142/FUL	Objection	Pending
16/216/FUL	Objection	Pending
16/501/VOC	Objection	Pending
16/783/FUL	Objection	Approved
16/928/FUL	Objection	Approved
16/943/FUL	No Objection	Approved
16/944/FUL	No Objection	Pending
17/044/FUL	Objection	Approved
17/058/FUL	No Objection	Approved

He next advised on the progress of applications that had been brought to the meeting of 22nd March 2017:-

17/071/FUL	No Objection	Pending
17/076/RES	No Objection	Approved
17/082/FUL	Objection	Pending
17/083/ADV	Objection	Pending
17/093/FUL	No Objection	Pending
17/100/FUL	No Objection	Approved
17/109/FUL	No Objection	Approved
17/127/SCH	No Objection	Approval not required
17/017/RES	No Decision	Pending

17/193/FUL
17/228/TEL

No Objection
No Objection

Approved
Pending

Minute 2558(b) – Pedestrian Crossing in Park Road

The Clerk reported that a letter had now been sent to Dorset Highways.

2564 – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none at this stage.

2565 – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Mr Matthews said the grant request for £4,500 had been approved by Locality. Portland had been designated a “complex area” in terms of its Neighbourhood Plan. This together with the election purdah and some other technical issues was causing delays to the programme. He also referred to the small plots of land the Borough was currently intending to sell.

RECOMMENDED – that the Council write to the Borough about the identification of sites for development and the Borough’s lack of cooperation in this respect. Mr Matthews will write the initial draft.

Cllr. Lees raised the question of whether some of the plots on the Island had been bequeathed to the former Urban District Council with restrictive covenants on them.

2566 – CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOTIFIED BY WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

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

a) 17/323/FUL – Underhill Community Junior School, Killicks Hill – Partial demolition of the existing school buildings (class D1), conversion of the remaining school building into dwellings (class C3) and the construction of new dwellings, associated access, parking and landscaping; to form a total of 21 no new dwellings

NO OBJECTION, subject to the comments of the other consultees

b) 17/071/FUL – 4 Victoria Square – Boat House / Fishing Store to the rear of the property (amended plans)

NO OBJECTION

c) 17/128/FUL – Open land east of Mermaid Cottages, Wakeham – Continue use of the land as storage yard for machinery and siting of two shipping containers for further 2-5 years

NO OBJECTION, for a further five years

d) 17/183/FUL – 49 Grove Road – Convert building into three dwellings (retrospective)

NO OBJECTION, subject to the comments of the conservation officer

e) 17/207/OFF – West Wing, Maritime House, West Way, Southwell Business Park – Change of use from office use (Class B1(a)) to a dwellinghouse (Class C3) [not a planning application]

NO DECISION REQUIRED. The Committee noted with regret that what was intended as an employment site was being utilised for domestic accommodation.

f) 17/223/FUL – Perryfield Works Complex, Pennsylvania Road – Erect six garages

NO OBJECTION

g) 17/235/FUL – 183 Wakeham – Erect two-storey side extension

NO OBJECTION

h) 17/319/PRE – Southwell Primary School, Sweethill Lane – Pre-application advice on proposed residential development of up to 59 units with mix of market and affordable homes

The application could not be viewed on the Borough website.

RESOLVED – that the Council write to the Borough to that effect with only twenty-one days being allowed for observations on a large housing scheme

i) 17/220/FUL – 2 Weston Street – Alterations and change of use from A1 (Hairdressers) to residential accommodation

NO OBJECTION

j) 17/270/OUT – Portland Lodge Hotel, Easton Lane –Outline application for demolition of existing building & erection of 24 no. flats with associated parking & amenity

NO OBJECTION, subject to a visit by the Borough Planning Committee

The Committee had reservations that the timber cladding specified for part of the building was not wholly in keeping with the neighbourhood.

k) 16/704/NOTS – Weymouth and Portland – Removal of twelve public payphones

The Clerk was asked to enquire whether there was still opportunity to consult the public and report back.

l) 17/017/RES – Redundant buildings at Broadcroft Quarry, Bumpers Lane – Approval of all reserved matters for outline approval WP/14/00330/FUL – Demolition of existing redundant industrial buildings and erect 7 no. residential dwellings including affordable housing

OBJECTION, on the grounds that the outline application was only for 64 dwellings, now increased to 71, which seemed excessive, overdevelopment, the height of the buildings was obtrusive to the local character and there was a lack of appropriate consultation with the Dorset Wildlife Trust

The Chairman undertook to consult with the Borough about a perceived lack of support in dealing with this application.

2567 – PLANNING CONTRAVENTION ISSUES

Hut 45, Crown Field

The Clerk reported briefly on the matter, which remains ongoing.

(Cllr. Reynolds left the meeting at 9.30 pm.)

2568 – CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOTIFIED BY DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL

17/298/FIL – Bowers Mine, Weston – An underground mine extension from the face of the existing Jordans Mine below ground, linking underground into Bowers Mine, extending driveways beneath the highway and creating portals into the existing Bowers Quarry to extract dimension stone from Portland Freestones

NO OBJECTION. Cllrs. Cocking and Draper did not vote.

2569 – PLANNING OFFICER SCHEME OF DELEGATION

Mr Matthews reported on a DAPTC meeting he had attended which included an item on changes to Borough planning procedures. Information about this had not been forthcoming and Mr Matthews speculated that the Borough was reconsidering these procedures.

2570 – GOVERNMENT WHITE PAPER, “FIXING OUR BROKEN HOUSING”

Mr Matthews commented that the NALC questionnaire only referred to certain aspects of the White Paper. He inferred that NALC were aiming to produce a situation where housing would only be considered with Local and Neighbourhood Plans in place.

RESOLVED – that Cllrs. Draper and Thurston consider Mr Matthews’s draft response, copies to all members, and decide whether it should be submitted.

2571 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Committee’s next meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 24th May 2017 at the Council Offices, Easton, starting at 7.00 pm.

The meeting ended at 9.45 pm.

Signed
(Chair)

Dated.....