

PORTLAND TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING & HIGHWAYS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT PETER TRIM HALL, ST. GEORGE'S CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY, 27TH APRIL 2016 AT 7.00 PM

PRESENT: Councillors D. Thurston (Chairman), Ms J. Atwell, Mrs S. Cocking, J. Draper, C. Flack, Ms S. Lees (from 7.15 pm), Mrs S. Reynolds and R. Wild

IN ATTENDANCE: Ian Looker (Town Clerk), Chris Moscrop (Weymouth & Portland Borough Council) and Andy Matthews (Neighbourhood Plan Working Group)

2423 – APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs. C. Gover, R. Nowak and D. Symes, together with Councillor Kate Wheller (Weymouth & Portland Borough Council)

2424 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Cocking declared a non-prejudicial interest in application 16/193/FUL – 9 Coronation Road and Cllr. Wild similarly in 16/208/FUL – 21 Augusta Road.

2425 – MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 23RD MARCH 2016

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

2426 – PLANNING OFFICER'S REPORT AND OTHER MATTERS ARISING

The Planning Officer reported progress on the applications outstanding follows:-

Application No.	Town Decision	Borough Decision
15/083/OUT	Objection	Pending
15/497/OUT	Objection	Pending
15/694/RES	Objection	Pending
15/767/FUL	Objection	Pending
15/693/OUT	Objection	Pending
15/764/FUL	No Objection	Approved
15/887/FUL	No Objection	Approved
15/888/FUL	No Objection	Pending
16/012/FUL	Objection	Approved
16/013/FUL	No Objection	Approved
16/028/FUL	No Objection	Pending
16/059/DOM	No Decision	Approved
16/067/FUL	No Objection	Refused
16/081/FUL	Objection	Refused
16/082/OFF	No Decision	Pending
15/920/RES	No Objection	Pending

He next advised on the progress of applications that had been brought to the meeting of 23rd March 2016 as follows:-

16/008/FUL	No Objection	Pending
16/009/LBC	No Objection	Pending
16/014/FUL	No Objection	Refused
16/035/FUL	No Objection	Approved
16/064/FUL	No Objection	Pending
16/089/FUL	No Objection	Pending
16/091/FUL	No Objection	Approved
16/093/FUL	Objection	Pending
16/103/FUL	No Objection	Approved
16/104/LBC	No Objection	Approved
16/119/FUL	No Objection	Approved
16/121/FUL	No Objection	Pending

a) Minute 2419, para 3 – Complaints of Dust in Atmosphere

Cllr. Thurston said he had raised these at the two recent Quarries Liaison Committee meetings. Apparently some had been caused by dust being blow over from the Sahara, which he had verified with meteorological sources. The stone companies stated that they no longer wash the wheels of their lorries, because it creates mud and eventually more dust. However they also affirmed that they do put sheets on their lorries. If problems persist they should be referred to Dorset Highways.

(Cllr. Lees joined the meeting.)

b) Minute 2419, para 1 – Landscape Alterations near Cheyne House

The Planning Officer said this matter came under County jurisdiction.

c) Minute 2419, para 2 – Advertising Hoardings in Fortuneswell

The Planning Officer said discontinuance notices had been served and would become effective in nine weeks' time.

2427 – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Mr Matthews advised that the Council had approved that applications be placed for grants of £9,000 and £6,000.

2428 – CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOTIFIED BY WEYMOUTH & PORTLAND BOROUGH COUNCIL

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

a) 16/138/FUL – Telecommunications Mast, Easton Street – Replacement of existing 17.5m monopole with proposed 17.5m monopole, replacement of 3 no. existing antennae with 3 no. proposed antennae, installation of 2 no. proposed equipment cabinets; plus minor ancillary apparatus (revised scheme)

NO OBJECTION

b) 16/168/FUL – Public Conveniences, Castletown – Resubmission of proposed building to form dive shop, teaching area and toilets
NO OBJECTION. The Committee said it would prefer the toilets to be open to the public during business hours.

c) 16/169/FUL – 12 Sweethill Lane – Single-storey side extension and rear extension (resubmission)
NO OBJECTION

d) 16/178/OBL – Apartment 10, Maritime House, West Way, Southwell Business Park – Discharge of planning obligation dated 29th December 2000 of planning approval reference 00/439/COU
NO COMMENT

e) 16/193/FUL – 9 Coronation Road – Form parking area
OBJECTION, on the grounds that it would have a detrimental effect on the residential amenities of the neighbouring properties through loss of light and light pollution from car headlights.
Cllr. Cocking abstained.

f) 16/208/FUL – 21 Augusta Road – Erect garage
NO OBJECTION
Cllr. Wild abstained.

g) 16/209/FUL – 21 Fancy's Close – Proposed porch
NO OBJECTION

2429 – PLANNING CONTRAVENTION ISSUES

Cllr. Wild noted that the IPACA Sports Hall had a black wall in the original scheme, which had been modified to a Portland stone grey when approval was granted. However the actual building had been painted black. The Planning Officer agreed to follow this up.

2430 – CONSULTATION ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS NOTIFIED BY DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL

There were none.

2431 – HIGHWAY ISSUES

a) Proposed Pedestrian Crossing in Chiswell

The Committee did not think either proposal was appropriate. However if the applicant could provide some traffic data, say through a community speedwatch, it was willing to reconsider the matter.

b) Proposed Double Yellow Lines in Mallams

The Committee agreed to request the Police to investigate and report back.

c) Proposed Dropped Kerb in Southwell Street

The Committee agreed that the applicant be advised to pursue her request for a dropped kerb and seek a white line to be painted opposite the drive to restrict parking there.

d) Proposed Parking Permit Scheme in Easton Square

The Committee noted that this was a common problem in and around Easton Square, because there is no right for residents to park outside their own property. It also advised that the Tesco car park is available as a public amenity, not merely for customers.

2432 – DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Committee’s next meeting is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 25th May 2016 at Easton Methodist Church Hall starting at 7.00 pm.

The meeting ended at 8.15 pm.

Signed
(Chair)

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