

# STURMINSTER NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE Held on Thursday 17<sup>TH</sup> January 2019 in the Council Chamber at 7.15pm

Present :  
Councillor P Batstone  
Councillor A Donaldson  
Councillor V Fox  
Councillor C Fraser  
Councillor M Jones (Deputy Mayor)

Councillor H Lacey (Mayor)  
Councillor H Reed  
Councillor G Rose  
Councillor C Spackman  
Councillor R Taylor

Absent: Cllr L Chater

In Attendance: Alan Harrison (Co-opted Footpaths Officer), Cllr M Roake North Dorset District Council, Mrs Emma Lindsay (Town Clerk) and Mrs Louise Plumridge (Assistant Town Clerk)  
Members of the Public: 20

Minute No.      Comments

RESOLUTION  
For each item, the  
proposer is named first  
followed by the seconder

PE/01/19      PUBLIC SESSION  
North Honeymead Lane - 20 members of the public attended the Public Session, many spoke and expressed their concerns about the outline planning application for North Honeymead Field to be discussed under Agenda Item no.5. Observations were expressed on access, insufficient parking, poor road layouts, density of dwellings, privacy concerns and impact on the existing road infrastructure and road safety.  
Dairyhouse Farm - A member of the public expressed his concern reference an undecided planning application for Dairyhouse Farm which had been lodged in January 2018, a year ago without a decision. He was asked to email the Town Clerk who would make enquiries.

PE/02/19      APOLOGIES  
Apologies were received from Councillor L Chater.  
These apologies were accepted by the Members present.

PE/03/19      DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS  
Cllr Fox declared an interest as a member of North Dorset Planning Committee and would not be commenting on the plans outlined in Agenda Item.no. 5.

PE/04/19      MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING  
**The minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2018, having been circulated and publicised prior to the meeting, were taken as read and approved for signature by the Chairman as a true and correct record.**

Cllr Rose  
Cllr Batstone

PE/05/19      CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS  
Planning Applications received to be considered on 17 January 2019

1	<i>Plan Number</i>	<i>District Reference</i>	<i>Site</i>
	<b>2018/12/05</b>	2/2018/1749/OUT	
	<i>Applicant</i>	<i>House Name</i>	<i>Road</i>
	Fidei Holdings Ltd	Intelligent Land	Ferndown



Forest Golf Club                      Links Road  
*County*                                      *Post Code*                                      *Application*  
Dorset                                      BH229PH                                      19/12/18

**Develop land by the erection of up to 114 no. dwellings, form vehicular access, associated infrastructure and public open space (outline application to determine access).**

**Sturminster Newton Town Council Comment:**

Objections - The Town Council objects to this application as it has serious concerns about the following significant issues:

Access

Insufficient parking within the proposed development

Road layout within the proposed development

Density of dwellings

Privacy concerns

Access and impact on existing road infrastructure and road safety

At 8.50pm Cllr H Reed left the meeting.

<b>2</b>	<i>Plan Number</i> <b>2019/01/01</b>	<i>District Reference</i> 2/2018/1099/HOUSE	<i>Site</i>
	<i>Applicant</i> Mr R Barnes	<i>House Name</i> Rivers Corner House	<i>Road</i> Glue Hill
	<i>Town</i> Sturminster Newton	<i>County</i> Dorset	<i>Post Code</i> DT102AB

**Form dropped kerb, new vehicular access and driveway**

**Sturminster Newton Town Council Comment:**

No Objections.

The application is not in breach of any material planning considerations

PE/06/19      NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED OF PLANNING APPLICATION OUTCOMES  
The outcomes of Planning Applications, having previously been circulated, were noted.

PE/07/19      PLANNING APPEALS  
The Town Clerk advised there were no appeals requiring the Members' attention.

PE/08/19      TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR A SECTION 106 WORKING GROUP  
**The Council RESOLVED to accept the Terms of Reference, already circulated, for the Section 106 Working Group. The Working Group will consist of Cllrs Donaldson, Jones, Rose, Spackman and Taylor.**

Cllr Donaldson  
Cllr Rose

PE/09/19      RIGHTS OF WAY MATTERS  
Alan Harrison reported that;  
Footpath 3 in Butts Pond was now in good condition.  
The Working Group is concerned about the condition of at least 12 out of the 40 finger post in and around Sturminster Newton. The Rangers will be able to do the improvement works. He enquired whether the Town Council would be able to assist with funding towards this. The Town Clerk suggested the Rangers should email her with a request.



The Working Group's next joint working day with the Rangers will be to focus on improvements to kissing gates including the surface of footpaths beneath.

Mr Harrison expressed his appreciation for the support received from the Town Council and Rangers.

Cllr Spackman thanked Mr Harrison and his volunteers for their hard work, time and commitment.

#### SUSPENSION OF STANDING ORDER 1Z

The Council **RESOLVED** TO SUSPEND Standing Order 1Z to enable the remaining business on the Agenda to be concluded.

Cllr Rose  
Cllr Spackman

PE/10/19

#### TREE MATTERS

The Town Clerk advised of a proposal to fell an apple tree in Penny Street which was noted.

PE/11/19

#### CORRESPONDENCE.

No correspondence had been received requiring Members' attention.

PE/12/19

#### INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS

*Cllr Donaldson:* commented on several water leaks in Sturminster Newton which he understood were being dealt with at the weekend. He also mentioned that the new Stepping Stones pre-school extension is up and running and is a wonderful facility.

*Cllr Lacey:* enquired when were the enhancements to Station Road commencing. The Town Clerk advised the office had been 'chasing' DCC for a date.

*Cllr Jones;* expressed his concern reference unsightly mini piers being erected for fishing. It was suggested he initially contact the Angling Club.

*Cllr Spackman;*

- He is progressing in talks to investigate the return of a Bank to Sturminster Newton.
- The Chamber of Commerce had a launch on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019 5.30pm at The Bow Room. The Chamber now has 50 members and £4.5k has been made available from NDDC for a salary.
- Sturfit had received a £70,000 grant from NDDC for enhancements to the Leisure Centre.
- The Trailway Group has also received a grant.

PE/13/19

#### EXCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

**In exercise of the power conferred by the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, Section 1(2) the Committee RESOLVED that members of the public and press be excluded from the Meeting on the grounds that the business to be transacted being of a confidential nature it is likely that personal and/or exempt information would otherwise be improperly disclosed and members would feel unable to discuss the matter freely.**

Cllr Batstone  
Cllr Donaldson

PE/14/19

#### CONFIDENTIAL LAND MATTER

The Council considered the information previously circulated and noted the action to be taken by the Clerk.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm.

Approved on ..... 21/2/19 .....

Chair's signature .....

