

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Meeting held on 28 August 2014 at 4.30 pm

Present:

Councillor A F Knight Chairman
Councillor K M Mills Vice Chairman

Councillor G S Dowding
Councillor B Heywood
Councillor C Morgan
Councillor L W Smith
Councillor A H Trollope-Bellew

Councillor A P Hadley
Councillor E May
Councillor S J Pugsley
Councillor M A Smith
Councillor K H Turner

Officers in Attendance:

Area Planning Manager – Bryn Kitching
Planning Officer – Lisa Bullock
Planning Officer - Sue Keal
Committee Administrator – Krystyna Kowalewska
Committee Administrator – Tracey Meadows
Legal Advisor – Brian Convery - Mendip DC

P150 Appointment of Vice-Chairman

RESOLVED that Councillor K M Mills be appointed Vice-Chairman for the meeting.

P151 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D D Ross and I R Melhuish.

P152 Minutes

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 31 July 2014 circulated with the Agenda be confirmed as a correct record. Proposed by Councillor E May seconded by Councillor K H Turner and all present voted in favour.

P153 Declarations of Lobbying

Name	Min No	Ref No	Application	Persons Lobbying
Cllr E May	P156	3/21/14/068	Minehead Seafront opposite Minehead Railway Station, Minehead	Objectors
Cllr E May	P156	ECC/EN/14/00090	Red Park Equestrian Centre, Egrove Way, Williton Industrial Estate, Williton	Supporters

P154 Declarations of Interest

None.

P155 Public Participation

Min No.	Reference No.	Application	Name	Position	Stance
P156	3/21/14/068	Minehead Seafront opposite Minehead Railway Station	Richard Neal	Local Resident	Objecting
P156	3/21/14/068	Minehead Seafront opposite Minehead Railway Station	Sally Bainbridge	Local Resident	Supporting

P156 Town and Country Planning Act 1990 and Other Matters

Report Four of the Planning Team dated 19 August 2014 (circulated with the Agenda). The Committee considered the reports, prepared by the Planning Team, relating to plans deposited in accordance with the planning legislation and, where appropriate, Members were advised of correspondence received and subsequent amendments since the agenda had been prepared.

(Copies of all letters reported may be inspected in the planning application files that constitute part of the background papers for each item).

RESOLVED That the Recommendations contained in Section 1 of the Report be Approved (in so far as they relate to the above), including, where appropriate, the conditions imposed and the reasons for refusal, subject to any amendments detailed below:

Reference Location, Proposal, Debate and Decision

3/21/14/068 Minehead Seafront opposite Minehead Railway Station, Minehead
Erection of a clock tower to height of 5.90m (amended scheme to 3/21/11/017).

Objections raised by the speaker included:

- The design and location

Supporting comments raised by the speaker included:

- A lot of public support received for the jubilee project
- Highly appropriate design in close proximity to a number of Victorian buildings and colour scheme would enhance the character and appearance of the conservation area
- Symbolic and attractive landmark

The Members debate centred on the following issues:

- The design, height, colour and locality of the clock tower

Councillor A H Trollope-Bellew proposed and Cllr S J Pugsley seconded a motion that the planning permission be **GRANTED** in accordance with the Officer's recommendation.

The motion was carried.

TPO T3/123 Central Green Area at Hagley's Green, Crowcombe
Emergency TPO

The Members debate centred on the following issues:

- It was confirmed that the 1 Birch and 1 Ash tree were not in a conservation area
- Ownership of the land
- Suitability of location in terms of safety to nearby residents

Councillor A H Trollope-Bellew proposed and Cllr E May seconded a motion that the Tree Preservation Order not be confirmed for safety reasons.

The motion was carried.

ECC/EN/14/00091 Kiln Cottage, Kilve, Bridgwater
Enforcement Reduction of walling and peers to a height which is permitted by the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 (as amended)

Councillor K H Turner proposed and Cllr S J Pugsley seconded a motion that the Officer's recommendation be accepted subject to amending the time for compliance to 6 months from the date the notice takes effect.

The motion was carried.

ECC/EN/14/ 00090 **Red Park Equestrian Centre, Egrove Way, Williton Industrial Estate**
Removal of a mobile home
Enforcement

Councillor K H Turner proposed and Cllr K Mills seconded a motion that the Officer's recommendation be accepted.
The motion was carried.

P157 Exmoor National Park Matters

There were no items to report.

P158 Delegated Decision List

There were no queries raised on the Delegated Decision List. The Chairman confirmed that he would discuss with the Planning Manager the request to include the applicant's name on delegated decision list.

P159 Appeals Lodged

Appellant	Proposal and Site	Appeal Type
Mr D Hunt	Proposed covered storage area and balcony (resubmission of 3/37/13/014) Bridge Garage, 1 Swain Street, Watchet	Written Reps

P160 Appeals Decided

Appellant	Proposal and Site	Outcome
Mr B Norman	Certificate of Lawful Use or Development for Retention as an Open Market Dwelling Higher Beverton Farm, Brendon Hill	Dismissed

P161 A vote of thanks was given to Lisa Bullock who was leaving the Authority on 9 September 2014. Bryn Kitching provided a brief update on the staffing structure within the Planning Team following the appointment of Matthew Bale, Area Planning Manager.

The meeting closed at 6.02 pm