

**Minutes of Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held on
Monday 17th July 2017 at 8.00pm in the Council Chamber,
Town Hall, Okehampton**

Committee Members Present: Councillor A Leech (Chairman)
Councillor Mrs V Cushing
Councillor Dr M Ireland
Councillor Mrs J Goffey (Town Mayor)
Councillor Mrs J Yelland

Other Members Present: Councillor Mrs J Carpenter
Councillor Miss C Holt
Councillor B Tolley
Councillor P Vachon

In Attendance: Mrs E James (Town Clerk)

Action

Declarations of Interest – Members are reminded that they should declare any relevant interest in the items to be considered. Cllr Yelland declared an interest as she is on the West Devon District Council Planning Committee.

114 Apologies for Absence – Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Cllr Weekes.

115 Deferments of Business - There were no members of the public present.

116 Members Questions – Cllr Cushing enquired about traffic enforcement issues previously raised. Cllr Leech advised that the enforcement officers would be attending the town on a more regular basis in the future.

Cllr Cushing enquired about the previously agreed use of a projector for planning meetings. Cllr Leech explained that this would commence once the new Clerk had had chance settle in and set up the system.

Cllr Cushing enquired about planning training. A response to an email to Patrick Whymer was awaited.

The outcome of contact with Highways regarding the repair of the courtesy crossings was requested by Cllr Cushing. Cllr Goffey reported that she had been in contact with them and they had offered to visit during the day but they would basically be replacing like for like.

It was reported that the Highways were looking to have only one traffic order covering West Devon. Outstanding items from the last Highways contract are being picked up and bids for additional work are to be submitted by the end of August. Cllr Ireland questioned how far out of the town restrictions could be implemented, and parking on the sides of the roads to be included on a list to be compiled and sent by Cllr Leech.

117 Minutes – Minutes of 3rd July 2017 were approved and signed, having been proposed by Cllr Goffey and seconded by Cllr Yelland.

118 Planning Applications –

118.1 2243/17/TPO

Application for tree works at 37 Upcott Valley, Okehampton, EX20 1UX
Resolved on the proposition of Cllr Goffey, seconded Cllr Yelland, to submit a neutral ‘no comment’ response to the application, commenting that an arborist report should be obtained prior to a decision being made.

118.2 2136/17/PHH

Application for a proposed larger home extension for a new single storey conservatory at 9 Simmons Way, Okehampton, EX20 1PU
Resolved on the proposition of Cllr Cushing, seconded by Cllr Ireland to support the application.

119 Licensing Application –

Pretoria Vaults, North Street, Okehampton – notice of a hearing due to be held on 20th July was noted, Cllr Goffey to attend on behalf of the Town Council. Cllr Leech advised he was attending on behalf of the local residents.

Further correspondence had been received regarding the above application, an extension of time until after the Full Council meeting on 31st July to be requested by Cllr Leech. Item to be added to the Full Council agenda.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

**Councillor Leech
Chairman**

Dated