

Minutes of a Remote Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 18th May 2020 at 7.45pm

Committee Members Present: Councillor T Leech (Chairman)
 Councillor M Ireland (Vice-Chairman)
 Councillor J Yelland (Mayor)
 Councillor C Marsh (Chairman, Parks)
 Councillor J Goffey (Chairman, Property)
 Councillor B Tolley (Chairman, Policy & Resources)
 Councillor P Jessop
 Councillor D Penna
 Councillor M Tucker

Other Members Present: Councillor D Sanger
 Councillor D Travers

In Attendance: Mrs E James (Town Clerk)

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| 034 | <u>Apologies for Absence</u> – Apologies tendered by Cllrs Button and Sanger, who were not members of the committee, were noted. | |
| 035 | <u>Deferments of Business</u> – None | |
| 036 | <u>Members Questions</u> – None | |
| 037 | <u>Dispensation</u> - The Clerk noted that all Members would to some degree know the applicant of Planning Application 1050/20/FUL and granted all Members of the Planning Committee that were present a dispensation permitting them to take part in a discussion and vote on Planning App 1050/20/FUL. | |
| 038 | <p><u>Planning Applications</u> – Cllrs Yelland declared an interest being a Member of WDBC’s Planning Committee.</p> <p><u>1050/20/FUL</u>
 On the proposition of Cllr Ireland, seconded by Cllr Goffey (1 abstention) it was RESOLVED to support the application subject to the recommendation of Bill Horner, Devon County Council’s County Archaeologist & Historic Environment Manager being undertaken as set out in his correspondence:</p> <p><i>‘I recommend that this application should be supported by the submission of a Written Scheme of Investigation (WSI) setting out a programme of archaeological work to be undertaken in mitigation for the loss of heritage assets with archaeological interest. The WSI should be based on national standards and guidance and be approved by the Historic Environment Team.’</i></p> | Clerk |
| 039 | <p><u>Urgent Items</u> – The Clerk reported on the following items for the information of Members:</p> <p>An email received from DCC on 15th May, circulated to all members, advised that persons making suggestions to them in relation to the reallocation of roadspace for cycling and pedestrian use were being directed to contact their Town or Parish Council initially. Local councils were asked to consider and consult where appropriate with affected parties, forwarding the proposals to DCC’s Neighbourhood Officers.</p> <p>It was suggested by a Member that Oaklands be considered for use as a cycle track/route.</p> | |

2 vehicles with smashed windows on land by the skate park had been reported but as they were on private land no action was able to be taken to remove them.

A complaint had been received by a Member regarding an untidy fenced off plot of land on Mill Road. Cllr Leech advised that it had previously been reported but that as it was fenced no action could be taken.

A letter received from a member of the public regarding infrastructure in Okehampton had been received and forwarded by the Clerk to Cllr Leech to respond to with his agreement as he was aware of the history of the concerns and suggestions raised.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20pm.

Councillor Leech
Chairman