Minutes of a Remote Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 5th October 2020 at 7pm

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

In Attendance: Mrs C Ellis (Assistant Town Clerk)

314 <u>**Declaration of Interest**</u> – Cllr Yelland declared a personal interest in the planning applications as a member of WDBC's planning committee.

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315 <u>Apologies for Absence</u> – Apologies tendered by Cllr Holt, who was not a member of the committee was approved by Cllr Goffey and seconded by Cllr Tolley.

316 Deferments of Business – None

- 317 <u>Members Questions</u> Cllr Ireland enquired if there was any update regarding parking at a junction in Hunters Crescent. Cllr Ball had been emailed. Cllr Leech had contacted DCC regarding a previous question from a member of the public regarding residential parking. There is no provision for dispensation for working from home. There is a waiting list for residents parking permits in Mill Road.
- **318** <u>**Minutes**</u> of meetings held on 6th July, 3rd and 24th August and 25th September 2020 were approved on the proposition of Cllr Ireland, seconded by Cllr Jessop to be signed at a later date.

319 <u>Matters Arising</u> – None

320 <u>**Planning Applications**</u> – Cllr Yelland declared an interest being a Member of WDBC's Planning Committee.

321.1 <u>1726/20/ARM</u>

On the proposition of Cllr Goffey, seconded by Cllr Jessop (1 abstention, 3 against) it was **RESOLVED** to support the application Land to East of Crediton Road, North of Kellands Lane, Okehampton. Readvertisement (Revised Plans Uploaded) Approval of reserved matters following outline approval of 2731/15/OPA for the construction of 220no dwellings, public open space, landscaping planting, pedestrian, cycle and vehicular links and associated infrastructure. The council would like to thank the developer for noting the previous comments and accepting the changes.

321.2 <u>2402/20/HHO</u>

On the proposition of Cllr Goffey seconded Cllr Ireland, (1 abstention), **RESOLVED** to support the application for construction above existing garage to form two bedrooms, 2 Hawkins Walk, Okehampton.

321.3 2505/20/FUL

On the proposition of Cllr Tolley, seconded by Cllr Goffey, (1 abstention), it was **RESOLVED** to support to the application for erection of replacement wall mounted external plant. Lidl School Way, Okehampton.

321.4 <u>2652/20/FUL</u>

On the proposition of Cllr Goffey and seconded by Cllr Tolley (1 abstention) it was **RESOLVED** to support the application for retrospective application for separation of Hotel function from Public House function, including remedial repairs and alterations, replacement windows and blocking doorways. Demolition of flat roof structure to form internal courtyard. Changes in pub/hotel layout to create business adaptable business space and separation of carpark. Plume of Feathers, 38 Fore Street, Okehampton.

- 322 <u>Planning Authority Decisions</u> The following decisions were noted.
 - 3101/19/FUL **Conditional Approval** for conversion of shop (A1) into two flats (C3) 2 Church Court, St James Street, Okehampton
 - 1184/20/FUL **Conditional Approval** for erection of new two storey business unit Land At SX590 956 North Road Industrial Estate, Okehampton
 - 1873/20/TPO **Refused** T1 Ash fell to 1m form ground level. Tree has suspected Dieback. Edgehill, 33 Fern Meadow, Okehampton
 - 1910/20/FUL **Conditional Approval** for retrospective application for erection of moveable timber building to provide café premises for sale of hot and cold drinks AL Martin & Son, School Way, Okehampton.
 - 1832/20/FUL **Conditional Approval** for creation of first floor for office space, Alterations to windows and doors, entrance canopy, use of ground floor Unit A5, North Road Industrial Estate, Okehampton
 - 2362/20/TCA **No Objection Raised** T1 Maple Crown reduction by 2m on all sides to create smaller, more symmetrical tree shape. Tree has weakened larger limbs due to squirrel damage and is causing excessive shading to garden, 117 Station Road, Okehampton.

323 <u>Consultation – Planning for the Future White Paper</u>

On proposition of Cllr Wood, seconded by Cllr Ireland was **RESOLVED** to submit the comments made by Cllr Yelland and Cllr Goffey.

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- **324** <u>Joint Local Plan</u> Cllr Leech reported possible changes due to new government regulations. Individual plans were with WDBC.
- **325** <u>Neighbourhood Plan</u> Cllr Leech reported money was available for consultancy fees.
- **326** <u>**Payment of Invoices**</u> On the proposition of Cllr Yelland, seconded Cllr Ireland, the schedule of payments was **APPROVED**.

327 Members Reports and Requests for Agenda Items -

- **327.1** Dartmoor Railway Supporter's Association Cllr Ireland reported that a meeting had been held to discuss alterations needed at the station. Supporters had worked hard and repaired and painted the station.
- **327.2** Northern Links A meeting had been held but unfortunately no Cllr was able to attend.
- **327.3 Ockment Centre** Cllr Leech reported that the Ockment Centre was open part-time and groups were starting to re-use the facilities. Concerns for the future of the Centre due to of loss of income due to COVID-19 were noted.
- 327.4 Okehampton & Area Health & Wellbeing Alliance No meeting had been held.

327.5 OkeRail Forum – Cllr Ireland reported a meeting had been held. Network Rail had visited the station and surveyed the train-line, and were pleased with the condition of the line.

PART TWO ITEMS

It was **RESOLVED** that section 1 (2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 that the public and press be excluded from the meeting for the following items as it involves the disclosure of sensitive and confidential information. It was proposed by Cllr Goffey, seconded by Cllr Ireland.

Cllr Marsh declared an interest in one of the following Enforcement Issues.

328 <u>Enforcement Issues</u> – Cllr Leech reported the Enforcement issues and noted that some had been resolved

The meeting moved out of Part Two on the proposition of Cllr Ireland, seconded Cllr Tolley.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Councillor Leech Chairman