

**Minutes of Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held on
Monday 3 February 2014 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Fore Street,
Okehampton at the rising of the Full Council Meeting**

Committee Members Present: Councillor A Leech (Chair)
Councillor Mrs J Goffey (Vice Chair)
Councillor C Letchford
Councillor P Vachon
Councillor Dr M Ireland
Councillor M Davies (Town Mayor)
Councillor Mrs M McDonald (Chair P & R)

Other Members Present: Councillor B Stephens
Councillor Mrs J Yelland

In Attendance: Mrs J Gillard (Deputising for Town Clerk)

439. Apologies for Absence - Apologies for absence were presented on behalf of Councillor K Ball and Councillor D Weekes.

440. Deferment of Business - (for comment by the public) - There were no members of the public present.

441. Members' Questions - There were no questions received from Members regarding the workings of the Committee.

442. Minutes - Members received the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 6 January 2014 which were approved, subject to an amendment to item 381b to change the word, 'combat' to 'camouflage' and to state the agreement made was for a 6-month trial period. Proposed by Councillor Mrs M McDonald and seconded by Councillor Dr M Ireland.

443. Matters Arising -

443.1 Buses/Bus Stops - Councillor M Ireland raised concerns received from members of the public in connection with the Jacketts' bus town service. It was agreed a letter from the Council be sent to the company detailing these issues.

443.2 Green Spaces/TPO's - It was agreed Clerk to distribute details of the website and passwords to Members to enable them to look at the online mapping system prior to the next meeting. Also agreed the potential of training on use of the application be investigated.

444. Plans -
00029/2014 259147,94477
Full
Householder application for division of one dwelling into two and extension to basement

127 Station Road, Okehampton EX20 1EH

Mr T Thomson

Councillors resolved to support this application. Proposed by Councillor Mrs J Goffey, seconded by Councillor M Davies.

445. Past Planning Applications -

00964/2013 - Creation of 5 additional parking spaces at Rivers Edge Court, Oaklands Drive, Okehampton - notice of conditional consent. Noted.

446. Parish/Member Training Workshops 28 February 2014 - To be attended by Councillor Mrs J Goffey and Councillor Mrs J Yelland.

447. Okehampton Masterplan - Councillor Leech advised this was approved by Committee last week and to be ratified by Full Council. Forty three responses to the consultation were received. He also advised Devon County Council were planning an exhibition in connection with the development of the Opportunity Okehampton site.

448. Members' Reports -

- (i) Ockment Centre - Councillor A Leech advised Devon County Council wished to pass the asset to the trustees of the Centre, however there was an issue as they wanted to have the right to take out part of the land at a later time for a footpath. It was agreed further investigation was required and that there was no community benefit to be achieved by the installation of a path.
- (ii) Devon Voice - no report.
- (iii) Dartmoor Railway Supporters' Association - Councillor Dr M Ireland advised negotiations were still ongoing in connection with the reclaiming of various items of equipment belonging to the DRSA which had initially been taken by BARS. He advised exterior painting of the LAB II coach had been completed and that restoration of the interior was now commencing. There is a potential of BARS introducing dining trains on Sundays and there was concern over the conflict between these and the Sunday Rover service.
- (iv) Okehampton Matters - Councillor M Davies advised meeting had taken place and that the minutes were being distributed to all members.
- (v) Okehampton Vision - Councillor Vachon advised meeting had taken place, but the draft strategy document had been reviewed. Second draft is now out for consultation which was due to end on 12 March and it would then go for public consultation.

PART TWO ITEMS

It was resolved that under 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 item as it involves the likely disclosure of sensitive and confidential information. Proposed by Councillor Mrs M McDonald, seconded by Councillor Mrs J Goffey.

449. Review of Enforcement Cases

Meeting closed at 9.37 pm.

Councillor A Leech
Chairman