

**Minutes of a Remote Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee
Meeting held on Monday 15th March 2021 at 7.47pm**

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

Other Members Present: Councillor D Sanger
Councillor D Travers

In Attendance: Mrs Emma James (Town Clerk)
1 member of the public

768 **Declaration of Interests** – Cllr Yelland declared a personal interest in the planning application being a Member of WDBC’s Development Management & Licensing Committee.

769 **Apologies for Absence** – Apologies from Cllr Holt who was not a member of the Committee were noted.

769 **Deferments of Business** – None

770 **Members Questions** – The amount of litter, which appeared to be builders waste, along Chichacott Lane was commented upon, the land crossed the boundary of the Town and Hamlets Councils. Cllr Wood had advised Okehampton Hamlets Parish Council and Cllr Leech would action from the Town Council’s perspective.

771 **Planning Application** –

0136/21/ARM – Correspondence received from members of the public in respect of the application was noted.

On the proposition of Cllr Matravers, seconded Cllr Tolley, (1 against, 1 abstention), it was **RESOLVED** to support the development in principle and with the consideration of the following comments:

- The design, setting and external appearance of the development,
- The visual impact of the development on the rural area taking the setting of Dartmoor into consideration,
- The privacy impact and overbearing nature of the development on the properties in Moorcroft Close,
- That the heritage of the ancient, historical well within the site was addressed.

It was further commented that Okehampton Town Council would like to see a comment on the application from the Dartmoor National Park Planning Authority and that if

Action

WDBC's Planning Officers were minded to refuse the application, that it was called into the Committee.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.09pm

Councillor Leech
Chairman