Minutes of Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee held on Monday 9 March 2015 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Okehampton at 8.15 pm

Committee Members Present: Councillor A Leech (Chairman)

Councillor Mrs J Goffey Councillor Dr M Ireland

Councillor P Vachon (Town Mayor)

Councillor Mrs M McDonald (Chairman, P & R)

Other Members Present: Councillor B Tolley

Councillor D Weekes

In Attendance: P R Snell (Town Clerk)

Action

- **Apologies for Absence** Apologies for absence were presented on behalf of Councillors Cummings, Stephens and Councillor Mrs Marsh.
- **Deferment of Business** No members of the public present.
- 571 Members' Questions -

Councillor McDonald noted the sale advertising of a vehicle on Exeter Road. The Chairman had already asked questions of the Planning Officer. Cllr Weekes noted the parking difficulties in Fore Street outside Ma-ida and reported that some taxi-drivers felt threatened. The Chairman referred this back as a matter for the police in the first instance.

Cllr Leech

- Minutes The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 9 February 2015 were accepted and signed by the Chairman on the proposition of Councillor Goffey, seconded Councillor McDonald and agreed.
- 573 Matters Arising None.
- 574 Planning Applications -

00173/2015

Full. Addition of balcony to rear and protection bollard below 2-4 Market Street, Okehampton EX20 1HN.

Mr and Mrs D Seale

Resolved to support the application on the proposition of Councillor Goffey, seconded Councillor Vachon.

00216/2015

Full.

Householder application for installation of window and rooflight to first floor bedrooms at Inglewood, 141A Crediton Road, Okehampton EX20 1NZ. Mr D Baskerville

Resolved to return a neutral response on the proposition of Councillor McDonald, seconded Councillor Goffey.

The Chairman agreed to seek further information.

Cllr Leech

00232/2015

Full. Householder application for loft conversion including insertion of 5 no. rooflights at Albury, Church Street, Okehampton EX20 1JF.

Ms G Cox

Resolved to support the application on the proposition of Councillor Vachon, seconded Councillor Goffey.

00234/2015

Full. Change of use of part of ground floor to retail at 10 North Street, Okehampton EX20 1AR.

Mr R Perry

Agreed to defer comment pending receipt of further details of nature of retail premises.

00244/2015

Full. Installation of automatic teller machine at Co-operative Store, 2 Market Street, Okehampton EX20 1HN.

Cardtronics UK Ltd

Resolved to support the application on the proposition of Councillor Vachon, seconded Councillor Goffey.

00245/2015

Advertisement. Target date 27 March 2015.

Advertisement consent for installation of fascia sign for automatic teller machine at Co-operative Store, 2 Market Street, Okehampton EX20 1HN. Cardtronics UK Ltd

Resolved to support the application on the proposition of Councillor Vachon, seconded Councillor Goffey.

575 Planning Decisions -

01006/2014 Listed Building consent for internal and external alterations at White Hart Hotel, Fore Street, Okehampton EX20 1HD

01031/2104 Conditional consent for alterations and extensions to existing building at White Hart Hotel, Fore Street, Okehampton EX20 1HD

01473/2014 Conditional consent for an extension to provide additional 2nd floor residential accommodation to rear of dwelling at 82 Station Road, Okehampton.

00910/2014 Conditional consent for proposed garage block with flat over at Moorview, Prospect, Okehampton EX20 1JD

Revocation and Serving of Tree Preservation Order (125-129 & The Coach House (2), Station Road, Okehampton EX20 1EH)

576 Our Plan - The Chairman reported that West Devon Borough Council's Our Plan strategy document was now in public consultation phase, with an information session having been held at the Charter Hall on Wednesday 4 March. There was comment on the presentation and the accessibility of information. The importance of a satisfactory linking between Exeter Road and Crediton Road was highlighted, but this was not reflected in the document. The Chairman also emphasised the importance of a Neighbourhood Plan to determine the placement of the unallocated 150 houses.

577 Members' Reports/Reminder for Agenda Items -

- (i) Dartmoor Railway Supporters' Association - Councillor Ireland reported that rail schedules would run from Easter.
- (ii) Ockment Centre - The Chairman reported that internal refurbishments were continuing. A kitchen had been donated, but funding had been difficult.

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 Vachon, seconded Councillor Goffey and agreed.

578 **Review of Enforcement Cases** **Action**

The meeting was closed at 8.59 p.m.

Councillor A Leech Chairman