

**Minutes of the Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee held on
Monday 20 April 2015 at the rising of the Policy & Resources Committee in the
Council Chamber, Town Hall, Okehampton**

Committee Members Present: Councillor A Leech (Chairman)
Councillor T Cummings
Councillor Mrs J Goffey
Councillor Dr M Ireland
Councillor B Stephens
Councillor P Vachon (Town Mayor)
Councillor Mrs M McDonald (Chairman, Policy & Res)

Other Members Present: Councillor Mrs J Yelland

In Attendance: P R Snell (Town Clerk)

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635 <u>Apologies for Absence</u> - None.	
636 <u>Deferment of Business</u> - There were no questions from the member of the public present.	
637 <u>Members' Questions</u> - Councillor McDonald asked if there was an update on the matters of the pay and display machine in the Co-op car park and the illuminated sign at the food outlet (entrance to the Victorian Arcade). The Chairman had not received a response from the Planning Department to date.	Cllr Leech
638 <u>Minutes</u> - The minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 30 March 2015 were approved and signed by the Chairman on the proposition of Councillor Ireland, seconded by Councillor Vachon and agreed.	
639 <u>Matters Arising</u> - Response to 'Our Plan' consultation. The Clerk reported that the response drawn from the recent meeting to formulate a Council response to 'Our Plan' had been circulated to Members for comment and subsequently forwarded to the Borough Council.	
640 <u>Planning Applications:</u>	
00332/2015 Listed Building. Application for adjustment to rainwater goods with additional downpipes at 1 & 2 Brocks Cottages, Castle Road, Okehampton EX20 1HX. Okehampton United Charity. Resolved to support the application on the proposition of Councillor McDonald, seconded Councillor Cummings.	

00373/2015

CLEUD. Application for Certificate of Lawfulness for use of property as a day nursery at 28 Station Road, Okehampton EX20 1EA.

Mrs L Brown.

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

00376/2015

Full. Householder application for single-storey rear extension at 19 Victoria Street, Okehampton EX20 1NA.

Mr J Guy.

Resolved to support the application on the proposition of Councillor Stephens, seconded Councillor Cummings.

00390/2015

Full. Householder application for amendments to planning permission 02982/2012 for alterations and extensions to dwelling, demolition of existing shed and erection of new detached garage at Little Ground, Lodge Hill, Okehampton EX20 1JH.

Mr R Barnett.

On the proposition of Councillor Leech, seconded by Councillor McDonald, it was agreed to express a neutral view, commenting that the planned roof height appeared excessive and disappointment that the development had been commenced prior to consultation.

641 Planning Decisions -

00977/2014 Conditional consent granted for retrospective application to retain a yurt for holiday use, change of use of ancillary building and surrounding area to holiday use, construction of decking and associated works at 129 Station Road, Okehampton EX20 1EH. The Chairman reported that he had attended the site meeting.

00234/2015 Conditional consent granted for change of use of part of the ground floor to retail at 10 North Street, Okehampton EX20 1AR.

00245/2015 Conditional advertisement consent granted for installation of fascia sign for automatic teller machine at 2 Market Street, Okehampton EX20 1HN.

00309/2015 Conditional consent granted for conversion of garage to residential accommodation at 24 The Heathers, Okehampton EX20 1TB.

TPO Confirmation of Tree Preservation Order at 125-129 and The Coach House, Station Road, Okehampton EX20 1EH.

642 Members' Reports and Requests for Agenda Items -

- (i) Dartmoor Railway Supporters' Association - Councillor Ireland reported that the Lab H Coach works had received positive comment from tourists. The draft timetable for Okehampton rail connections was in the process of review and it was noted that Devon County Council had not produced any publicity material for the Sunday Rover. He was attending a meeting of 'Greengauge 21' to review discussion of the Northern Alternative rail line.
- (ii) Ockment Centre - Councillor Leech reported that the kitchen units were being removed, the Sticklepath and Okehampton Conservation Group had paid a second visit to undertake garden refurbishment and that bookings were again up.

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 Stephens, seconded by Councillor McDonald and agreed.

643 Enforcement Matters

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The meeting was closed at 9.22 pm.

**Councillor Leech
Chairman**