

**Minutes of the Okehampton Town Council Planning Committee held on
Monday 11 January 2016 at 8.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Okehampton**

Committee Members Present: Councillor A Leech (Chairman)
Councillor T Cummings (until 9.15 pm)
Councillor Mrs V Cushing
Councillor Mrs J Goffey (until 9.33 pm)
Councillor Dr M Ireland
Councillor R Rush
Councillor B Stephens
Councillor D Weekes (until 9.33 pm)
Councillor P Vachon (Town Mayor)

Other Members Present: Councillor Mrs J Carpenter
Councillor Miss C Holt (until 9.25 pm)
Councillor B Tolley
Councillor Mrs J Yelland

In Attendance: P R Snell (Town Clerk)

	Action
386 <u>Apologies for Absence</u> - Apologies for absence were presented on behalf of Councillor Marsh.	
387 <u>Deferment of Business</u> - There were no members of the public present.	
388 <u>Members' Questions</u> - None	
389 <u>Planning Applications:</u>	
2944/15/TCA Works to Trees in a Conservation Area. Proposed removal of large limb of T1 Chestnut close to power lines at 56A Beeches, Station Road, Okehampton EX20 1ED. Mrs P Ward. Resolved to support the application on the proposition of Councillor Goffey, seconded Councillor Weekes.	
154488-3041/15/TCA Works to trees in a Conservation Area. Proposed crown lift of T1 Tulip to 3m at Castle Ham Lodge, Okehampton EX20 1FA. The Guinness Partnership. Resolved to support the application of the proposition of Councillor Stephens, seconded Councillor Ireland.	

3033/15/TCA

Works to Trees in a Conservation Area. Reduce crown height by approx. 4m and prune to reshape. T2 Birch - cut near to ground level at Flat 4, The Old Mill, Mill Road, Okehampton EX20 1PR.

Mr & Mrs Rush.

Councillor Rush declared a prejudicial interest. He offered a brief background statement and left the Council Chamber pending subsequent discussion and resolution.

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

2859/15/PDM

Prior Approval Notification. For change of use of agricultural barn to dwelling house (Class C3) and for associated operational development at Barn (SX5920 9490) Courtenay Road, Okehampton.

Paul Hunt Developments.

As the application required no decision from the Town Council, it was noted but with comments to the Planning Officer concerning the following:

- Period of agricultural use prior to application
- Foundations of existing structure appear to be on ground subject to flooding
- Clarification of 'associated operational development' requested

2731/15/OPA

Outline Planning Application. Outline application with some matters reserved (access to be considered) for residential development of up to 400 dwellings at Parcels 3 & 4 east of Okehampton, Crediton Road.

Hannard Developments Ltd.

The Chairman opened the discussion by clarifying that no decision would be sought at this meeting, but rather that questions and points for clarification could be formulated for the Planning Officer. Consideration of the application would be continued at the scheduled Planning Committee meeting on 25 January, as the target date for comment had now been extended to 26 January.

It was noted that the details of this application had been made available of the WDBC planning portal on 24 December, originally with a response requested by 8 January. This had since been amended, not least because of frequent down-time of the planning portal.

It was agreed to ask Members to undertake a precis of the documents which could be offered to inform the Planning meeting.

The meeting was closed at 9.48 pm.

Councillor Leech
Chairman