

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held in Committee Room No. 3, St. John's Hall, Penzance on Wednesday 21st May 2008 at 7.00 pm.

PRESENT

Councillor P.C.H. Rendle (Chairman)

Councillor J. Parkin (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors D.J. Axford

C.A. Dennis

K.L.W. Perry

Prior to the commencement of the business of the meeting, members received a presentation in respect of the former Blewett and Pender site development which was at pre-application stage.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Councillors R. Clark, R.A. Mann, J. Ruhmund and T.E. Williams

2. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In respect of application number 08-0523-P - Mr. J. Booker, 21 Wharfside Village, Penzance, replacement of roof, 2 windows and French doors at 36b Market Jew Street, Penzance – Councillor D.J. Axford declared a prejudicial interest as an employee. In respect of application number 08-0565-TCONS – Mr. D. Nebesnick, 4 Wellington Terrace, Penzance – felling of 12 Leylandii and reduction of 1 Ash tree – all members present declared a personal interest as the applicant was a fellow councillor. In respect of application number 08-0592-AD – Tesco Stores Limited – alterations to signage at the Branwell Lane store – Councillor Perry declared a prejudicial interest as a number of members of his family are employees.

3. **REPORT OF TOWN CLERK**

(a) **Correspondence from Cornwall County Council re. Road Closures:-**

(i) South Place Folly – 27th May to 2nd June 2008 (24 hour period between those dates) – South West Water improvement works;

(ii) Notice from Penwith District Council re. 'Race for Life' event closures – 28th May 2008 – District Council had written to advise of road closures associated with this event in and around the Promenade area and approach roads in Penzance and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(b) **Correspondence re. Road Sign Finger-Posts in Gulval**

The Town Clerk advised of a letter which had been received from a local resident who had been battling with Cornwall County Council to have the old style road signs in Gulval re-painted.

The County Council had indicated that they had no funds to do this and had suggested an approach to the Town Council.

It was noted that the posts were an attractive feature and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the Town Clerk write to the County Council seeking a breakdown of cost and pressing them to take action in this matter.

(c) Correspondence re. Pedestrian Crossing, Lower End of St. Clare Street – Taroveor Road, Penzance

The Town Clerk advised of a letter which had been received from a resident relating to the above crossing which was not extensively used because of the detour required to get to it if you were accessing Causewayhead from St. Clare Street.

It was noted that most people cross at the nearest point to St. Clare Street at its junction with Clarence Street and the request was for consideration for the crossing to be moved to this point.

The Town Clerk advised members that this matter had been raised some 10 years earlier and the request had been refused on the basis of road safety.

However, given that the junction had recently been realigned, it was

RECOMMENDED: that the Town Clerk write to the County Council asking for the request to be reconsidered.

(d) Correspondence from Penwith District Council re. Tree Preservation Order – Trewartha Terrace, Penzance

The above order related to 16 trees of varying species and comments were sought by the 29th May 2008 and it was

RESOLVED: that the TPO should be supported.

(e) Correspondence re. West Cornwall Footpath Preservation Society

Correspondence from the above organisation promoting walks carried out during the next few months in the Penwith area had been sent to members for information and it was

RECOMMENDED: that receipt be noted.

(f) PAROW Meeting – Agenda and Minutes

The minutes for the meeting of the 18th March 2008 and the agenda for the meeting of the 12th May 2008 had been sent for information and it was

RECOMMENDED: that receipt be noted.

(g) Cornwall Minerals Development Framework

The Town Clerk advised that the following documents had been received:-

- (i) Core Strategy – consultation to 17th June 2008
- (ii) Sustainability Appraisal – consultation to 17th June 2008
- (iii) SPD Design, Operation and Reclamation of Mineral Sites – consultation to 17th June 2008

The Town Clerk advised that he would peruse the documents to establish what impact the Development Framework would have on the operation of quarries in the area, ie. Castle an Dinas and Penlee, and report at full council and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

(h) Sustainable Community Strategy for Cornwall – Consultation Document

The closing date for comments on the above document was the 5th June 2008 and the Town Clerk advised that the document would be copied to all members.

Councillor Axford advised that he would be happy to receive the documents in PDF form and it was

RECOMMENDED: that those members with access to electronic mail be canvassed to see if they would be prepared to accept future documents in that manner.

(i) Penwith District Council Planning Meeting – 13th May 2008

The papers for the above meeting had been sent for information and were available to any member who wished to have sight of them and it was

RECOMMENDED: that receipt be noted.

4. **SITE VIEWING PANEL MEETINGS**

The Chairman advised that he had attended a site meeting in relation to application number 08-0240-P – land adjacent to Coastguard Row, The Parade, Mousehole – retention and completion of two-storey dwelling, installation of additional window, construction of parking spaces and re-building/alterations to existing office and the outcome of the vote on the site meeting was not yet known and would be reported at a later date and it was

RECOMMENDED: that the position be noted.

5. **PLANNING DECISIONS**

There were 10 decisions which were at variance with the views of the Planning Committee and it was

RESOLVED: to note the position.

6. **NEW AND AMENDED PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The committee considered 31 new and amended planning applications and their comments are as recorded in the Planning Register.

9.35 pm

Chairman
12th June 2008