

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING** held in Committee Room No. 3, St. John's Hall, Penzance on Wednesday 1 July 2009 at 7.00 p.m.

**PRESENT**

Councillor J Parkin (Vice-Chairman) (In the Chair)

Councillors    K L W Perry  
                     P C H Rendle  
                     J Ruhmund

8. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** – were received from

Councillors R Lewarne, R A Mann and T E Williams.

Absent without apologies:-

Councillors D J Axford, C A Dennis and F Granger.

9. **TO RECEIVE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Parkin declared a personal interest in application 09-0615-HP as she was known to the applicant and a personal interest in application 09-0625-HP as a personal friend of a neighbour to the site.

Councillor K L W Perry declared a personal interest in application 09-0572-P as a family member of an employee of the applicant.

Councillor J Ruhmund declared a personal interest in application 09-0577-P as an acquaintance of an objector.

10. **RECONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATION 09-0577-P – ‘FERN SIDE’, ALVERTON ROAD, PENZANCE**

The Town Clerk advised that members had requested to re-visit this application in the light of further representation having been made. The Chairman welcomed the owners of Hawkes Farm to the meeting who made representation to the Committee in objection to the application.

Further to consideration, it was

**RESOLVED** – that, having had the opportunity to re-visit the plans and hear the views of neighbouring property owners, the Town Council is now of the opinion that the proposed dwelling should be refused as it would have a detrimental affect on the character and appearance of the area and would have a particularly detrimental affect on the Listed Property known as Hawkes Farm.

The Town Council is not convinced that the arguments put forward by the applicant contained within the attached Design Statement are valid in respect of the size of nearby dwellings, given the typography of the site.

The affect of a dwelling of this size on the Listed Building would be unacceptable. Additionally, the plans submitted do not show a large tree contained within the site and the Town Council is concerned that this would be removed.

As a minimum, we would respectfully request that a site visit be held to enable a full appreciation of the affect of the proposals if the committee were unable to support a recommendation of refusal.

**11. NEW AND AMENDED PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee considered 33 new and amended planning applications and their comments are as recorded in the Planning Register.

**12. APPLICATIONS AT VARIANCE TO TOWN COUNCIL DECISIONS**

The Town Clerk reported 5 decisions made by Cornwall Council which were at variance to the views of the Town Council which were noted by members.

Meeting closed at 9.03 p.m.

Chairman  
16 September 2009