

**MINUTES AND REPORT OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON THE 3 SEPTEMBER 2015**

* Councillor Poulter – Chairman
0 Councillor Bolton – Vice Chairman

* Councillor P Martin	* Councillor R Gordon-Smith
0 Councillor Cosser	* Councillor Wheatley
* Councillor T Martin	* Councillor Reynolds
0 Councillor Woodham	0 Councillor S Bott
* Councillor Hunter	* Councillor Noyce
* Councillor Thornton	0 Councillor Welland
* Councillor Williams	0 Councillor Pinches
* Councillor Gray	0 Councillor Walden
* Councillor Young	

* Present # Absent & No Apology Received 0 Apology for Absence L Late

155. MINUTES

Councillor Gray drew attention to an inaccuracy in the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 August 2015 and requested an amendment relating to Minute 149-15 (fourth paragraph). At the end of the first sentence of that paragraph Councillor Gray asked that the words “was a former teacher at Godalming College” be substituted for the words “lives in Filmer Grove”. Members agreed to that amendment which was made in manuscript by the Town Clerk and initialled by the Chairman.

With that amendment the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 August 2015 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

156. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and recorded as above.

157. PETITIONS/STATEMENTS/QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

No petitions/statements/questions had been received from members of the public in accordance with Standing Order No 4.

158. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Councillor Gordon-Smith declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 9 on the grounds that part of the Lammas Lands is owned by the Henry Smith Charity of which he is Chairman of the local branch. Councillor Gordon-Smith remained in the Chamber when that agenda item was discussed.

Councillor Wheatley declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 5 Schedule No 14 (WA/2015/1559) on the grounds that NatWest has been her bank since 1965. Councillor Wheatley remained in the Chamber when that agenda item was discussed.

Councillor Gray declared a non-pecuniary interest in Agenda Item 5 Schedule No 23 (NMA/2015/0115) on the grounds she is a former teacher at Godalming College. Councillor Gray remained in the Chamber when that agenda item was discussed.

The comments and observations from the following Waverley Borough Councillors were preliminary ones prior to consideration at Borough Council level and were based on the evidence and representations to the Town Council.

Cllr P Martin
Cllr T Martin
Cllr Wheatley
Cllr Williams

Cllr RA Gordon-Smith
Cllr Reynolds
Cllr Thornton
Cllr Hunter

159. PLANNING APPLICATIONS - CONSULTATION

The Committee considered the applications listed on the attached schedule and commented on them as shown in the third column.

160. WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL - PLANNING DECISIONS

Members noted the contents of a list of Godalming applications considered by Waverley Borough Council (either by delegated authority or by Development Management Committees) where decisions were significantly different to the observations submitted by the Town Council (copy attached to record minutes).

161. DRAFT SHOPFRONT DESIGN GUIDE SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT CONSULTATION (SPD)

Members considered the correspondence from Waverley Borough Council and the Draft Shopfront Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document Consultation (SPD). Members asked the Town Clerk to respond saying the Godalming Town Council welcomes the guidance and supports it.

162. UPDATE ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Members received an update from the Town Clerk. The next written update to be received on 24 September 2015 (Minute 151-15 refers). The Town Clerk circulated copies of the Questionnaire to be sent to all Godalming and Farncombe households with despatch starting on 17 September 2015.

163. LAMMAS LANDS PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Members noted correspondence from Waverley Borough Council about a proposal to extend the amount of grazing on the Lammas Lands and specifically the date of a drop-in day to be held at Godalming United Church on Saturday, 3 October 2015 from 10am to 4pm.

Members asked the Town Clerk to respond to consultation saying that the Town Council was in broad agreement with the proposal. Should any other issue arise in the course of the consultation then authority to respond was delegated to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee.

164. ITEMS FOR THE INFORMATION OF MEMBERS

Members noted the items, which were tabled for their information.

165. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Planning & Environment Committee is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 24 September 2015 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber.

166. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.