GODALMING TOWN COUNCIL

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20 May 2011

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU to attend the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** Meeting to be held in the Council Chamber, Municipal Buildings, Bridge Street, Godalming on THURSDAY, 26 MAY 2011 at 6.30 pm.

Louise P Goodfellow Town Clerk

Committee Members: Councillor Reynolds – Chairman Councillor Thornton – Vice Chairman

Councillor P Martin Councillor R Gordon-Smith

Councillor Poulter
Councillor C Gordon-Smith
Councillor T Martin
Councillor Wilson
Councillor A Bott
Councillor Hunter
Councillor Robinson
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Councillor Williams

AGENDA

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on the 28 April 2011, a copy of which has been circulated previously.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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

The Chairman to allow members of the public to ask the Council questions, or make a statement or present a petition. This forum to be conducted in accordance with Standing Order 80.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS

To receive from Members, in relation to any items included on the agenda for this meeting, disclosure of any interests which are required to be disclosed by the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2007 No.1159.

Members are requested to disclose, in accordance with the Code of Conduct, both the existence and nature of any "Personal" or "Prejudicial" interests that they may have in relation to matters for consideration on this agenda.

Members of the Public have the right to attend all meetings of the Town Council and its Committees and are welcome.

Personal Interests

- (1) Subject to sub-paragraphs (2) to (5) below, where a Member has a personal interest in any business of the Town Council and attends a meeting of the Council at which the business is considered, the Member must disclose to that meeting the existence and nature of that interest at the commencement of that consideration, or when the interest becomes apparent.
- (2) Where the Member has a personal interest in any business of the Town Council which relates to or is likely to affect a person described in paragraph 8(1)(a)(i) or 8(1)(a)(ii)(aa) of the Code of Conduct, the Member needs only disclose to the meeting the existence and nature of that interest when s/he addresses the meeting on that business.
- (3) Where the Member has a personal interest in any business of the Town Council of the type mentioned in paragraph 8(1)(a)(viii) of the Code of Conduct, the Member need not disclose the nature or existence of that interest to the meeting if the interest was registered more than three years before the date of the meeting.
- (4) Sub-paragraph (1) only applies where the Member is aware or ought reasonably to be aware of the existence of the personal interest.
- (5) Where a Member has a personal interest but, by virtue of paragraph 14 of the Code of Conduct, sensitive information relating to it is not registered in the Town Council's register of members' interests, the Member must indicate to the meeting that s/he has a personal interest, but need not disclose the sensitive information to the meeting

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

Cllr P Martin Cllr RA Gordon-Smith

Cllr T Martin Cllr Reynolds
Cllr Thomson Cllr Welland
Cllr Wheatley Cllr Wilson
Cllr Thornton Cllr Williams

Prejudicial Interests

Where a Member has a personal interest in any business of the Town Council that Member also has a prejudicial interest in that business where the interest is one which a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as so significant that it is likely to prejudice that Member's judgement of the public interest. Where a Member has a prejudicial interest that Member must withdraw from the room or chamber where a meeting considering the business is being held.

5. PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Members to note the purpose and functions of this Committee as defined by Standing Order 48 (see below) and to consider oral reports from the Town Clerk and the Chairman as to what this means in practice.

Planning & Environment Committee

Purpose

To discharge the Council's functions relating to the local environment and infrastructure.

Functions

- a) To formulate, for the Council's consideration, policy towards the natural and built environment and principles to guide the Council's consideration of specific issues and proposals.
- b) To consider and comment on policy proposals and initiatives by the Government or other authorities which have implications for the Town's environment, highways and amenities.
- c) To consider and comment on all applications for planning permission and other matters within the terms of the Town and Country Planning Acts and related legislation.
- d) On behalf of the Council, to take all action that the Council can lawfully take in relation to such matters.

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS - CONSULTATION

To consider a schedule of planning application attached at Appendix A.

7. WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL - PLANNING DECISIONS

A list of Godalming applications considered by Waverley Borough Council (either by delegated authority or by the Area Planning Committee (Central)) where decisions were significantly different to the observations submitted by the Town Council is attached for the information of members.

8. WAVERLEY DESIGN AWARDS 2011

Members to note recent correspondence (attached for the information of Members) from Waverley Borough Council inviting nominations for the Waverley Design Awards 2011.

9. <u>TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC ORDER – TOWN END STREET (D5427),</u> GODALMING

Members to note that Surrey County Council proposes to make the above-mentioned Temporary Order. The effect of which is to temporarily prohibit all vehicles from proceeding along that length of Town End Street (D5427), Godalming, as extends from its junction with Carlos Street to a point in line with the southern property boundary of No. 11 town End Street.

Access for pedestrians, equestrians and residents will be maintained at all times as will access for emergency vehicles in an emergency situation only.

The Order is required to facilitate highway drainage related works and will come into force on 4 June 2011, for a period of three months. The Order will only be operative while the relevant signs are displayed and it is anticipated that the works will be completed within one day during the period of operation of the Temporary Order.

The alternative route for traffic will be via Croft Road (D5427) and Brighton Road (B2130), or this route in reverse.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Planning & Environment Committee is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 16 June 2011 at 6.30 pm in the Council Chamber.

11. <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

Brought forward by permission of the Chairman. Requests to be submitted prior to commencement of the meeting.