

MINUTES AND REPORT OF THE ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON THE 5 MARCH 2020

- * Councillor PS Rivers – Chair
- * Councillor Crooks – Vice Chair

* Councillor Adam	* Councillor Ashworth
* Councillor Boyle	0 Councillor Cosser
* Councillor Duce	* Councillor Follows
* Councillor Heagin	* Councillor Hullah
* Councillor Martin	0 Councillor Neill
* Councillor Purvis	* Councillor Rosoman
0 Councillor Steel	* Councillor Stubbs
L Councillor Wardell	* Councillor Williams

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

429. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 13 February 2020 were signed by the Chair as a correct record.

430. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and recorded as above.

431. DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Members made no declarations of interest in relation to any item on the agenda for this meeting, which is required to be disclosed by the Localism Act 2011 and the Godalming Members' Code of Conduct.

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.

Councillor Follows
Councillor Heagin
Councillor Martin
Councillor PS Rivers
Councillor Rosoman
Councillor Williams

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

A member of the public asked about the progress on installing the water fountains. The Town Clerk advised that the project was delayed due to two issues – firstly the weather since October 2019 has caused the area in The Burys to be waterlogged and second there has been trouble locating the correct stopcock to connect the fountain to. However, the Council is still hopeful that both issues will be resolved in time for the fountain to be installed before the start of the music festival season.

433. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

No questions were received from Councillors in accordance with Standing Order 6.

434. CARBON REDUCTION & BIODIVERSITY FUND GUIDANCE NOTES AND APPLICATION FORM

Members reviewed the documents listed below and approved them. Members further resolved to agree to recommend the documents for adoption by the Full Council.

- i. Carbon Reduction & Biodiversity Fund Application Form
- ii. Guidance for Grant Applicants – CO² Reduction

Members also requested that the Policy & Management Committee review the Council's general and community grants application process to encourage consideration of the Guidance for Grant Applicants – CO² Reduction document by applicants to those grants funds as well as applicants to the Climate Fund.

Councillor Williams extended the Council's thanks to the members of the working group for the work done on these documents and processes.

435. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY – GOVERNANCE

Members reviewed the documents listed below, and with one minor adjustment, approved them (attached to record minutes). Members further resolved to agree to recommend the documents for adoption by the Full Council.

- i. Godalming Town Council CIL Policy and Funding Application Form Guide for Applicants
- ii. Godalming Town Council CIL Funding Application Form
- iii. Godalming Town Council Community Infrastructure Levy Report 1 April 2019-31 March 2020.

Members also agreed that the current Members of the CIL Working Group be appointed to the CIL application validation panel.

436. PLANNING APPLICATIONS – CONSULTATION

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

437. PLANNING APPEALS

Members noted the following:

Appeal Decisions

Appeal decision for WA/2019/0756 – 5 Dormers Close, Godalming
Erection of extension and alterations following demolition of existing garage.
The appeal was DISMISSED

Main Issue

The main issue is the effect of the proposal on the character and appearance of the area, having regard to a tree protected by a TPO.

438. COMMUNICATIONS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING

Members identified the matters, discussed at the meeting, that are to be publicised, as follows:

- Press release and social media on new grant and its application process.

439. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Environment & Planning Committee is scheduled to take place on Thursday, 26 March 2020 at 6.30 pm in the Council Chamber.

440. ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.