

MINUTES

of the Meeting of the **DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT & LICENSING COMMITTEE** held at the Council Chamber, Drake Road, Tavistock on **TUESDAY** the **10th JULY, 2018** at **6.15pm**

PRESENT

Councillor A Hutton **(Chairman)**
Councillor Mrs M Ewings **(Vice Chairman)**

Councillor P Ward **(Mayor ex officio)**
Councillor Mrs A Johnson **(Deputy Mayor ex officio)**

Councillors Ms L Crawford, P Squire, A Venning
and Mrs J Whitcomb

IN ATTENDANCE

Assistant to the Town Clerk
Councillor A Fey

47. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence had been received from Councillor A Lewis.

48. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Development Management & Licensing Committee held on Tuesday 19th June, 2018 be confirmed as a correct record, and signed by the Chairman (Appendix 1)

49. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Personal Declarations of Interest were made;

- Councillor Mrs A Johnson declared a Personal Interest in the Town Planning Issue on the Agenda – Parking at Grenville Drive, by virtue of a close family member owning a property in the area. Councillor Mrs Johnson spoke as a member of the public, then left the Meeting whilst the item was fully considered;
- Councillor A Hutton (Chairman) declared a Pecuniary Interest in Planning Application 2138/18/FUL – Land adjacent to Breckland, Down Road, Tavistock PL19 9AG by virtue of owning the adjacent property. Councillor Hutton left the Meeting during the consideration of this Application, and the Vice Chairman took over the chairmanship for this Application;

- Councillor P Squire declared Personal Interests in Planning Applications 1921/18/TCA (15 Waters Edge, Parkwood Road, Tavistock PL19 0AR) and 1998/18/PAD (Pixon Lane Trading Centre, Pixon Lane, Tavistock PL19 8DH) by virtue of a friendship with both applicants, and took no part in the consideration of either of these Applications;
- Councillor Mrs M Ewings declared a Personal Interest in Planning Application 2095/18/TPO (Dennathorne, Down Road, Tavistock PL19 9AG) later in the Meeting, by virtue of having a business relationship with the applicant and took no part in the consideration of this Application

50. DARTMOOR NATIONAL PARK

No items had been received

51. TOWN PLANNING ISSUES

Councillor Mrs M Ewings arrived during the consideration of this item.

- a) Parking at Grenville Drive, Tavistock – this matter had been brought to the Committee at the request of Councillor Ms L Crawford, who had provided a briefing note (Appendix 2)

Councillor Mrs A Johnson declared a Personal Interest, withdrew from the Meeting, and then made a short statement as a member of the public prior to leaving the room during consideration of the item. A member of the public confirmed they had personally witnessed the inability of a fire engine to reach a property in Grenville Drive, due to the poor parking of vehicles in the road and that on many occasions refuse lorries had been unable to reach properties further up the road.

The member of the public also confirmed that the emergency lane beside Grenville Drive was not wide enough to allow the passage of emergency vehicles through it, so was not in their opinion an option.

A debate then ensued which made particular reference to;

- sympathy for residents in Grenville Drive and Westbridge Cottages with regard the problems they faced with parking near or exiting/accessing their properties;
- safety issues involved, in particular the accessibility for emergency vehicles. The safety of residents being of paramount importance;

- the erosion of parking availability which had not been addressed historically both in this location and elsewhere;
- the dangers pedestrians faced with cars being partially parked on pavements;

A proposal was made and it was;
RECOMMENDED THAT Tavistock Town Council uphold its previous decision, which was to 'support' the Traffic Order.

Members were referred to Minute No. 300(a) from 23rd January, 2018 which encouraged any Councillors who wished to do so, to liaise with those Tavistock South West Members who were not otherwise affected by an interest to put together suggestions to the Highway Authority for improvements which could be made in the identified area, in order that same could be considered.

52. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

No items had been received

53. URGENT BUSINESS BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIRMAN

No items were brought forward.

54. PLANNING DECISIONS and APPLICATIONS

a) Planning Decisions by West Devon Borough Council

Attached at Appendix A.

b) New Planning Applications to West Devon Borough Council

The views of the Committee are attached at Appendix B.

RECOMMENDED THAT the views of the Town Council, as listed in Appendix B, be passed to the Local Planning Authority for consideration.

55. NEXT DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT & LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING:

The next Meeting of the Development Management & Licensing Committee to be held on **Monday 30th July, 2018 at 6.15pm** (please note change of day due to Full Council being on Tuesday 31st July 2018).

The Meeting closed at 7.22pm

Signed.....

Dated.....

CHAIRMAN