

MINUTES

of the Meeting of the **DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT & LICENSING COMMITTEE** held at the Council Chamber, Drake Road, Tavistock on **TUESDAY** the **26th FEBRUARY, 2019** 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, A Fey, A Lewis,
P Squire and Mrs J Whitcomb

IN ATTENDANCE

Assistant to the Town Clerk
Councillor P Williamson

280. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillors Mrs U Mann and A Venning

281. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of the Meeting of the Development Management & Licensing Committee held on Tuesday 5th February, 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman (Appendix 1).

282. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following personal Declarations of Interest were made with regard to Minute No. 285c (below) – Premises Application for Tavistock Association Football Club;

- Councillor A Fey by virtue of being the Designated Premises Supervisor (DPS) for the venue;
- Councillor A Lewis by virtue of his involvement with the organisation;
- Councillor Mrs M Ewings by virtue of her involvement with the organisation

283. DARTMOOR NATIONAL PARK

No items had been received.

284. TOWN PLANNING ISSUES

No items had been received.

285. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Planning Consultations – notification had been received from West Devon Borough Council that from 1st April 2019 all Planning Applications would be received by a link via an e-mail, paper applications will no longer be issued, apart for major Applications.

The Committee considered the Briefing Note of the Assistant to the Town Clerk with regard how Planning Applications would be considered after that date (Appendix 2)

Concerns were raised with regard;

- The poor functionality of the Planning Authority's website to view and download Planning documents;
- The additional time it would take the Officer to prepare for DM&L Committee Meetings;
- The difficulties those Councillors who did not have access to the Internet would face in viewing Applications online in preparation for Meetings

It was agreed that;

- The download and projection of Planning applications at DM&L Committee Meetings would be reviewed after 3 such Committee Meetings, to determine if any changes to the process were required;
- The Officer to keep a record of the additional time taken to follow the new process when preparing for the Committee Meetings;
- Councillors who did not have access to the Internet could arrange to use a laptop in the Council Offices by pre-arrangement with the ATTC

Subject to the wording at 6.2 being amended from 'informed view' to 'reviewed the documentation', the Committee received the Briefing Note.

- b) Naming of roads in new development – a request had been received from West Devon Borough Council for suggestions for the naming of 8/9 roads within the new development at New Launceston Road, Tavistock (Appendix 3).

RECOMMENDED THAT this decision be deferred until the Full Council Meeting on Tuesday 5th March 2019, in order that all Councillors could be involved in the naming of these roads, and to give Councillors more time to consider their suggestions.

Noted that Councillor A Hutton, as Chairman of the Committee, undertook to e-mail all Councillors, to advise them of the above recommendation.

- c) Premises Licence application – a new Premises Licence application had been received for Tavistock Association Football Club, Langsford Park, Tavistock PL19 8JR (Appendix 4)

The Committee's decision was to '**support**' this application as no objections were raised.

- d) Extension of existing, and introduction of new 30mph speed limit areas on Callington Road (A390). Feedback to proposals invited by 14th March 2019 (Appendix 5).

Following consideration of the above proposal it was;

RECOMMENDED THAT Tavistock Town Council '**support**' the proposal, with the following suggestions also having been made;

- For Devon County Council to consider erecting VAS (Visual Alert Systems) warning signs at both ends of the extended speed limit area, to alert drivers to their speed. It was felt these could be funded by Bovis Homes as part of their s106 liability;
- For the Town Council's decision on this proposal to be sent to Councillor Mrs D Sellis, as the Devon County Councillor for Tavistock

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

No items brought forward.

287. 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.

288. NEXT DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT & LICENSING COMMITTEE MEETING:

The next Meeting of the Development Management & Licensing Committee to be held on Tuesday 19th March 2019 at 6.15pm.

The Meeting closed at 7.08pm

Signed.....

Dated.....

CHAIRMAN