

## PETERSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the Town Development Committee was held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Petersfield on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017 at 3.00 pm.

**PRESENT:** Cllr J Palmer (Chairman), Cllr P Humphries , Cllr J Matthews, Cllr P Strawbridge, Cllr Mrs J Butler, Cllr V Clarke, Mr R Mocatta (South Downs National Park Authority), Mr R Besant, Mr R Oppenheimer, Mr S Pritchard, Mr T Struthers, and Mr S Watts

Also in attendance: Mr N Hitch (Town Clerk), Steve Field (Office & Committees Manager), Cllr J Deane and 1 member of the public and 1 member of the Press present.

### **T 0547**      CHAIRMANS REMARKS

The chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, and to the new committee year. Momentum would be very important. 2 meetings had been held to further the CLT project, and this meeting would contain an activity around the IDP work that Cllr P Humphries had been involved with.

### **T 0548**      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies had been received from Ms L Ferraby

### **T 0549**      GRANTING OF DISPENSATION UNDER SECTION 33 OF THE LOCALISM ACT (2011)

There were no requests for dispensation.

### **T 0550**      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

### **T 0551**      APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Town Development Committee minutes of the meeting held on 11th November 2016, previously circulated, were approved.

**RESOLVED:**                      that the minutes of the Town Development Committee, held on 11th November 2016, be approved.

### **T 0552**      PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

T 0553

### UPDATE ON DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Members received an update on the appointment of a development officer. Direct funding from SDNPA was not possible, but money from section 106 may be able to support such a post. Cllr Mrs J Butler (EHDC) had been to a meeting, where there could be some positive outcomes regarding some help with this. In principle, EHDC would wish to financially support this venture, but would require written details of the post for JB to present to the cabinet.

It was noted that there would potentially be some funds available from the Larcombe and South East Causeway developments.

Members discussed how the person should be employed, and it was agreed that he/she should be employed specifically for each project, and should be a part time post, possibly around 20 hours per week.

It was also shared that a South Downs National Park meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> January was taking place to discuss how the South Downs National Park rangers could assist with various open spaces around the Petersfield area.

**RESOLVED:**                    **that a terms of reference be drafted by the chairman and Town Clerk to share with members to agree, before being handed to Julie Butler to present to East Hants District Council cabinet**

T 0554

### PROGRESS ON RESOLUTIONS AND ACTIONS

Members reviewed the spreadsheet detailing progress on projects and past committee actions. Various actions were updated, and new actions will be added from these minutes.

Pre-app for the removal of part of the hedge at Penns Field 'B' had been rejected, and members felt that a detailed document regarding this area, including the agreed use in the Petersfield Neighbourhood Plan for it to become a Sports Hub, needed to be compiled by an independent consultant.

Investigation should also be made as to whether this could be resolved as part of the 106 agreement for Penns 'A'

**RESOLVED:**                    **that the Town Council go through the full process of pre-app for change of use from agriculture to sports**

**RESOLVED:**                    **that the Town Clerk discuss with head of planning at South Downs National Park potential contents of the section 106 agreement**

**It was recorded that all members were in favour of these resolution except Mr R Mocatta and Mr T Struthers who abstained**

Monitoring of developments by Town and Parish Councils on behalf of SDNPA was discuss and it was indicated that further considerations were being discussed by SDNPA as to what level of involvement Town and Parish Councils could realistically be expected to undertake to monitor the developments in their area

**RESOLVED:** that the Office Manager make a start on monitoring developments, but will wait for the revised details on what information will be required by South Downs National Park Association

The Heavy Goods traffic route information had not been found, and it was therefore proposed that an application to reform the original suspected route should be made. It was also suggested that any transport issue/requirement, should be listed on the East Hampshire District Transport Statement, which was last updated in 2012

**RESOLVED:** that Mr R Beasant submit details of the route to the East Hampshire District Transport Statement list

T 0555

#### **RECENT PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members had received copies of the Planning Committee agendas that had taken place since the last committee meeting

It was noted by members that any decisions made contrary to the policies and aspirations of the Petersfield Neighbourhood Plan should be 'called in' with district councillors. Members should also write to Simon Jenkins regarding any poor decisions made against the Petersfield Neighbourhood Plan.

**RESOLVED:** that all members of the Planning Committee should be made aware that they can 'call in' any poor decision with their respective district councillor

It was agreed by members that the Petersfield Town Council should be represented at the Penns Field 'A' hearing which will be taking place on 19th January, and that items requiring further clarification should be raised at the hearing.

**RESOLVED:** that Cllr J Deane should represent Petersfield Town Council with the assistance of Cllr J Matthews and Cllr J Palmer providing the information

