

PETERSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the Town Development Committee was held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Petersfield on 5th October 2018 at 3.00 pm.

PRESENT: Cllr J Palmer (Chairman), Cllr J Deane, Cllr J Matthews, Cllr Ms M Vincent, Cllr R Oppenheimer (Hampshire County Council), Cllr Mrs J Butler (East Hampshire District Council), Cllr R Mocatta (South Downs National Park Authority), and Ms L Bevan

Also in attendance: Mr N Hitch (Town Clerk) and Mr S Field (Committees and Office Manager). There was 1 member of the public present and 1 member from the Petersfield Post.

T 0325 **CHAIRMANS REMARKS**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

T 0326 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Cllr C Wilton, representation from Petersfield Society, and Mr D Humphries

T 0327 **GRANTING OF DISPENSATION UNDER SECTION 33 OF THE LOCALISM ACT (2011)**

There were no requests for dispensation.

T 0328 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest

T 0329 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Town Development Committee minutes of the meeting held on 7th September 2018, previously circulated, were approved.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Town Development Committee, held on 7th September 2018 be approved.

T 0330 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public representation

T 0331 **BUDGETS ITEMS FOR YEAR 2019-2020**

Members discussed potential requirements for the budget year 2019-2020, and the following was agreed:

- That the current £5000 held in earmarked reserves for Heritage Scheme Landscape be held for the revision of the Finger Posts
- That the current £5000 held in earmarked reserves for community events remain for that purpose
- That a bid for up to £30,000 be made towards Car Park, Town Entry and Cycle Path signs
- That a bid for £50,000 be made for a project management to work on the feasibility study of the Town Spine Project
- That a bid for £5,000 be made for community engagement events
- That a bid for £10,000 be made for tourism consultancy

It was noted that dual branded signs including South Downs National Park Authority could provide further financial support if the project was being completed within a year, and that a discussion should take place with Nigel James. It was

RESOLVED: that the Town Clerk discuss the idea with Nigel James from South Downs National Park Authority in respect of additional funding and assistance.

RESOLVED: that a sign strategy project be set up

T 0332 **RESOLUTIONS AND ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Members received a list of resolutions and actions from previous minutes. The following updates were provided.

Vacancy for 2 Public Members - Advertisement had been placed in Petersfield Post

Signage for Footpaths - Initial enquiries had been made

Project Delivery Team for Town Spine - all key stakeholders have been contacted to approve this next step

South Western Railways extension to car park - Mr R Mocatta and the Town Clerk are chasing for information

T 0333 **TOP 5 IDP PROJECTS**

Shared Spaces - Town Spine (Project Delivery Team) - Project Delivery Team in process of being approved

Station/Lavant Street - Town Spine (Project Delivery Team) - Project Delivery Team in process of being approved

Car Parks (Mr R Mocatta) - already discussed

Cycle Ways (Cllr C Wilton) - Members were informed by Mr R Mocatta that there was a publication called 'East Hampshire Cycling Plan' which provided some useful information, and was very detailed. Some discussion had been made regarding the Petersfield to Midhurst Cycle Route, but it was likely that funding would follow, once a route had been recognised, and was achievable in terms of land ownership and logistics

Link to Countryside (vacancy) - no change
Self Build (Cllr J Palmer) - no change

T 0334

PLANNING APPLICATION REVIEW

Members reviewed the planning meeting agendas that had taken place since the last Town Development Meeting, and whilst there were no comments on these planning applications, it was noted that the planning application for 11 The Avenue is scheduled to be presented again. Members wished to make the point that prior comments made still stood, and that these had been made based on guidance of the Petersfield Neighbourhood Plan.

Members enquired regarding the purpose of the Town Development Committee's involvement with the planning applications, particularly as it was after the Planning Committee had made their comments? The Chairman explained that this was to pick up any long term issues, particularly where there had been objections raised, to ensure that any representation or presentation from the Town Council could be made at any of the hearings.

It was further noted that planning applications to convert offices into living spaces could be relaxed in the future, particularly in the South Downs National Park area. It was

RESOLVED: **that contact be made to South Down National Park to clarify permitted development rules for B1-7 conversion to residential**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 4.12 p.m.