



GILLINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the **Planning Committee** held on **Monday 8th April 2019 commencing** at 7.30pm in The Jubilee Room, Town Hall, School Road, Gillingham.

These minutes do not constitute a true record until ratified by Full Council.

Present: Cllr D Walsh (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs V Potheary (Deputy Chairman),
Cllr M Gould, Cllr Mrs S Hunt, Cllr Mrs A Beckley,
Cllr R Evill, Cllr Miss N Purkis, Cllr J Robinson,
Cllr A Frith, Cllr Mrs Cullingford and Cllr Von Clemens.

Press and Public: There was one member of the public present.
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In attendance: Mrs Julie Hawkins, Town Clerk.
Mrs Sheila Messer, Rights of Way Liaison Officer.

685. To receive apologies for absence.

There were no apologies.

686. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 11th March 2019 and the interim meeting on 25th March 2019

Proposed by Cllr Mrs Potheary that "**the minutes of the meeting held on the 11th March 2019 and the interim meeting on 25th March 2019 are approved as correct records of these meetings**". Seconded by Cllr Mrs Cullingford the vote was unanimous. **RESOLVED.**

687. Questions:

There were no questions.

688. Declarations of Interest

Members are reminded of their obligations to declare their interests in the following items and to indicate the action they will be taking when the item is considered as per the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) Model Code of Conduct which has been prepared to comply with the requirements of Section 27 of the Localism Act 2011.

There were no pecuniary declarations of interest.

689. Planning Application Decisions from NDDC:

- a. **Application No:** 2/2019/0076/FUL
Proposal: Erect detached cottage. Form vehicle and pedestrian access with associated parking and turning provision.
Location: Hedgewall, Bay Lane, Gillingham, SP8 4ER
REFUSED
- b. **Application No:** 2/2019/0002/HOUSE
Proposal: Erect timber boarded fence and 1 No. Shed (Remove existing hedge).
Location: 50 Bryony Gardens, Gillingham, Dorset, SP8 4TR
APPROVED
- c. **Application No:** 2/2019/0152/HOUSE
Proposal: Erect single storey extension to front, side and rear elevations.
Location: 8 Orchard Road, Gillingham, SP8 4BQ
APPROVED
- d. **Application No:** 2/2019/0044/HOUSE
Proposal: Erect triple garage with studio over convert existing garage to annexe.
Location: Land at E 380183 N 126087, Common Mead Lane, Gillingham, Dorset
WITHDRAWN
- e. **Application No:** 2/2019/0070/HOUSE
Proposal: Erect orangery (demolish existing conservatory).
Location: Applegrove House, Wyke Road, Gillingham, SP8 4NH
APPROVED
- f. **Application No:** 2/2018/1839/FUL
Proposal: Erect detached hire depot building including external wash area unit. Demolish existing garden centre building.
Location: Higher Ham Depot, Shaftesbury Road to Higher Ham Farm - Road, Gillingham, SP8 5NG
APPROVED

690. Planning Applications:

- a. **Application No.:** 2/2018/1724/FUL
Proposal: Change of use from detached garage (part section only) to hairdressing salon and associated external alterations (retrospective).
Location: 24 Wren Place Gillingham SP8 4WE

Following a discussion, Cllr Mrs Potheary proposed that "**Gillingham Town Council has no objection to the application**". Cllr Gould seconded, the majority voted in favour of the proposal. Cllr Von Clemens abstained from voting as he had concerns over parking.
RESOLVED

- b. **Application No:** 2/2019/0230/HOUSE
Proposal: Erect chimney to north west elevation.
Location: Squirrels Dray, Bowridge Hill, Gillingham, Dorset, SP8 5QS

Following a discussion, Cllr Von Clemens proposed that "**Gillingham Town Council has no objections to the application as the proposed chimney will not protrude above the ridge height and is not over-dominant**." Cllr Mrs Hunt seconded, the vote was unanimous.
RESOLVED

690. Planning Applications continued:

c. Application No: 2/2019/0242/HOUSE

Proposal: Erect a single storey front extension and erect single storey extension to garage.

Location: 12 Highgrove, Gillingham, Dorset, SP8 4SA

Following a discussion, Cllr Mrs Potheary proposed that "**Gillingham Town Council has no objections to the application as the proposal will not result in any un-neighbourly issues or highway issues and the proposed materials will match.**" Cllr Von Clemens seconded, the majority of members voted in favour of the proposal. Cllr Miss Purkis objected to the application over concerns that the proposal will not be in keeping with the street scene. **RESOLVED**

d. Application No: 2/2019/0227/FUL

Proposal: Install Biomass heating system flue on existing unit, erect shed (retrospective).

Location: Unit 27, Brickfields Industrial Estate, Gillingham, Dorset, SP8 4LT

The Chairman informed the meeting that the description of the application has changed to include the erection of the shed on the site and now reads: *Install Biomass heating system flue on existing unit, erect shed (retrospective).*

Following a discussion, Cllr Mrs Potheary proposed that "**Gillingham Town Council has no objections to the application as the proposal supports environmental and economic policies and is not detrimental to neighbouring properties or to the street scene.**" Cllr Gould seconded, the vote was unanimous. **RESOLVED**

691. To consider an application by Countryside Access Management Ltd to North Dorset District Council (now Dorset Council) for an order to divert Footpath 34, Gillingham, under section 257 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

The Chairman outlined the proposal to divert Footpath No. 34 and invited the Rights of Way Liaison Officer to speak.

Mrs Messer, Rights of Way Liaison Officer commented on the proposal.

Following a discussion, Cllr Von Clemens proposed that "**Gillingham Town Council has no objections in principal to the proposed diversion but wish the following comments to be taken into consideration:**

- **The proposed diversion X - Z - Y follows the proposed highway, however, in practice, pedestrians will follow a desire-line and it is anticipated that despite the diversion, pedestrians will continue to use the existing route between X and Y.**
- **The proposed diversion C - F passes between two proposed dwellings. Although this is a fairly short and straight section, high fences on either side of the footpath must not physically dwarf users of the footpath or be oppressively high. High fences/walls along this section of the footpath could result in this section becoming a stark and intimidating footpath, overwhelmed by the height of the fence/wall, which in turn could lead to users becoming vulnerable to crime. Therefore, the width of this section C - F should be as wide as possible and any fencing/walls on either side of the path should be kept low".**

Seconded by Cllr Gould the majority voted in favour of the proposal. Cllr Mrs Beckley abstained from voting.

692. To receive and consider information regarding Footpaths in Gillingham.

There was nothing to report.

693. To receive and consider a report from the Conservation Area Working Party.

Lead member, Cllr Mrs Hunt informed members that the Conservation Area Appraisal document is currently with Dorset Council.

694. To note a report on the examination of the Bournemouth, Dorset and Poole Waste Plan available to view via the following link: www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/waste-plan

The report was noted.

695. Matters pertinent to this meeting.

Members are advised that inclusion of items is at the Chairman's discretion and that 'A Council cannot lawfully decide any matter which is not specified in the summons (agendas)'. The Chairman to be advised prior to the commencement of the meeting.

There were no matters pertinent.

a. Cllr Mrs Hunt informed members that this would be the last meeting attended by Cllr Mrs Beckley. Cllr Mrs Beckley is a long serving member of Gillingham Town Council and following the end of her term of office she will be retiring. Cllr Mrs Hunt thanked Cllr Mrs Beckley for her hard work and wished her a happy retirement. Cllr Walsh and Cllr Mrs Potheary also thanked Cllr Mrs Beckley for her hard work, commitment and dedication to the council.

Closure. The meeting closed at 8.10pm