



GILLINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL

The Town Hall, School Road, Gillingham, Dorset SP8 4QR

PLANNING COMMITTEE

MINUTES – 9th October 2023

Minutes of the Planning meeting held on **Monday 9th October 2023** at The Town Hall, Gillingham, commencing at 7.30pm

Present:

Cllr Val Potheary, Chairman

Cllr Rupert Evill, Deputy Chairman

Cllr Graham Bashford

Cllr Fiona Cullen

Cllr Sharon Cullingford

Cllr Alan Frith

Cllr John Kilcourse

Cllr Sarah Snook

Cllr Mark Walden

Cllr David Walsh

Cllr Roger Weeks

In attendance:

Julie Hawkins, Town Clerk

Press and Public:

1 member of the public was in attendance

Via MS Teams

Jill Ezzard, Assistant Town Clerk

Michael Streeter, Gillingham and Shaftesbury News

659. Public Participation. Please note: a period up to a maximum of fifteen minutes will be allowed for public comments and questions restricted to items listed on the following agenda

There was no public participation during this part of the meeting.

660. To receive and accept apologies for absence

It was agreed and **RESOLVED** to accept the apologies received from Cllr Barry von Clemens, who was unable to attend for personal reasons.

661. To receive any questions pertaining to the previous meeting

Cllr Cullingford referred to Application No: P/VOC/2023/04355 and asked why the application had been approved when the town council had raised objections. The Town Clerk informed the meeting that the decision notice and officer's report is available to view on the Dorset Council website [here](#)

Cllr Cullingford referred to P/FUL/2023/02070 and asked why the application had been refused when the town council had supported the application. The Town Clerk explained that the application had been refused due to concerns that the proposal would harm the setting of the Milton-on-Stour Conservation Area and would result in undue levels of harm to neighbouring amenity through the introduction of noise and odour. The decision notice and officer's report is available to view on the Dorset Council website [here](#)

662. To approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 11th September 2023 and the interim meeting on Monday 25th September 2023

It was agreed and **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes as a true and accurate record of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 11th September 2023 and the interim meeting held on Monday 25th September 2023.

663. To receive declarations of interest. Please note; members are required to comply with the requirements of the Localism Act 2011, section 27 disclosable pecuniary interests

There were no declarations of interest.

664. To receive Decision Notices for planning applications from Dorset Council:

- a) **Application No:** P/HOU/2023/00568
Proposal: Erect Single Storey Side and Rear Extensions. Demolish garage and erect new garage. Replacement Roof Covering.
Location: Little Orchard (Cintra), Kings Court Road, Gillingham, SP8 4LE.
Granted
- b) **Application No:** P/VOC/2023/04355
Location: Savage Cat Farm, Bay Road, Gillingham, Dorset, SP8 5QR
Proposal: Erect managers house and ancillary accommodation (without compliance with Condition No. 1 of Planning Permission No. 2/2000/0305 - to allow unrestricted occupancy).
Granted
- c) **Application No:** P/FUL/2023/02070
Proposal: Erection of an Agricultural building for general, agricultural purpose
Location: Land at E 379690 N 127875, Milton-on-Stour to Wavering Lane – Road, Milton-on-Stour
Refused

The decisions were noted.

Cllr Cullingford and Cllr Weeks referred to Application No: P/VOC/2023/04355 and expressed their disappointment in the decision.

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665. To receive and consider planning applications, as follows:

- a) **Application No:** [P/HOU/2023/05226](#)
Proposal: Erect two storey side extension
Location: 41 Palace Road, Gillingham, SP8 4PQ

It was agreed and **RESOLVED** to recommend approval of Planning Application P/HOU/2023/05226 as the proposed extension will be subservient to the existing building, the materials will match, and the plot is considered to be large enough to accommodate the extension.

- b) **Application No:** [P/FUL/2023/03054](#) (Amended application)
Proposal: Retain use of loosebox, feed store, yard and vehicular access for private equestrian use.
Location: Kingfishers, Martins Lane, Milton-on-Stour, SP8 5AD

It was agreed and **RESOLVED** to recommend approval of amended Planning Application P/FUL/2023/03054 subject to the conditions recommended by the Highways Authority.

Cllr Weeks voted against the proposal. Cllr Frith abstained from voting.

666. To receive and consider reports from sub-committees and task and finish groups, as follows:

a) Neighbourhood Plan Sub-committee

There was no report. Cllr Cullingford, Lead Member, reminded members that the Neighbourhood Plan consultation closes on 11th October 2023.

b) Gillingham Conservation Area Appraisal Task and Finish Group

There had been no meeting.

c) Developer Engagement Advisory Panel

There had been no meeting.

667. To receive notification that Wiltshire Council has published the draft Wiltshire Local Plan (“the draft Plan”) which is a Development Plan Document, for a formal 8-week consultation period beginning on Wednesday 27 September 2023, during which representations can be made. The proposed submission documents can be viewed at: www.wiltshire.gov.uk/local-plan

The information was noted.

668. To receive matters pertinent to this meeting

- a) The Chairman informed the meeting that North Dorset now has a housing land supply of 5.74 years and Dorset Council also believe that the latest Housing Delivery Test result is 110%. These figures and the accompanying report are available on the Dorset Council website: [A quick guide to adopted local plans in Dorset - Dorset Council](#)
- b) Cllr Cullingford asked what the future is for Neighbourhood Plans. The Town Clerk informed the meeting that it was her understanding that Neighbourhood Plans would continue and there is a possibility that they may be given more weight.

The meeting closed at 8pm.