



GILLINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL

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

GROUP MEETING OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

NOTES OF MEETING HELD UNDER A TEMPORARY SCHEME OF DELEGATION on 17 May 2021 at 8.22pm

The legislation introduced by the Government to allow for online meetings during the pandemic ceased on 6th May 2021; therefore, the facility to meet and make decisions using virtual meeting arrangements is no longer lawful.

In accordance with Section 101 of the Local Government Act 1972, a temporary scheme of delegation to the Proper Officer was approved by Full Council on 26th April 2021 (Minute No. 472).

This group meeting was held in the interest of openness, transparency and democracy to enable the Proper Officer to make informed decisions pertaining to planning matters.

Press and public were invited to join the meeting.

Gillingham Town Council's Temporary Scheme of Delegation is available to view [HERE](#)

Present:

Cllr Val Potheary, Chairman
Cllr Rupert Evill, Deputy Chairman
Cllr Barry von Clemens
Cllr Sharon Cullingford
Cllr Alan Frith
Cllr Mike Gould

Cllr Paul Harris
Cllr John Kilcourse
Cllr John Robinson
Cllr Keith Wareham
Cllr Roger Weeks

In attendance:

Town Clerk, Julie Hawkins

Press and Public:

Michael Streeter, Gillingham and Shaftesbury News
There were two members of the public present

11. **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 at this point in the meeting.

12. **To receive and accept apologies for absence**

Apologies from Cllr Griffin were received and accepted.

13. **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 disclosable pecuniary interests.

14. **To receive and consider planning applications, as follows:**

- a) **Application No: [P/ADV/2021/00239](#)**

Proposal: Display 3 No. replacement internally illuminated lettering signs and 1 No. new internally illuminated projecting sign on building; 1 No. new internally illuminated totem sign in car park; and new and replacement non-illuminated signs on building and in car park

Location: Waitrose, Chantry Fields, Gillingham, SP8 4UA

It was agreed that the following recommendation should be submitted to the Proper Officer:

Gillingham Town Council recommend approval of Application P/ADV/2021/00239.

- b) **Application No: [P/FUL/2021/00294](#)**

Proposal: Erection of garage

Location: Hedgewall Bay Lane, Gillingham, Dorset SP8 4ER

Two members of the public were invited to speak.

It was agreed that the following recommendation should be submitted to the Proper Officer:

Gillingham Town Council recommend refusal of Planning Application P/FUL/2021/00294 for the following reasons:

- The proposal will be overbearing and will result in an overdevelopment of the site which will be out of character with the area;
- The proposed structure will have a detrimental effect upon the tree and the hedge as it is considered to be too close to the root protection area of the northern boundary hedgerow;

15. To receive matters pertinent to this meeting. Please note: Members are **advised that inclusion of any item is at the Chairman's discretion and that a council cannot lawfully decide upon any matter which is not specified in the summons (agenda).**

Cllr Potheary thanked members of the Planning Committee for their hard work and commitment over the past twelve months. Cllr Potheary also thanked members for attending and completing training courses during the past twelve months.

Closure. The meeting closed at 8.43pm