

HORLEY TOWN COUNCIL
Planning & Development Committee

Minutes of a Meeting of the above-named Committee held at the
Town Council Offices, Albert Road, Horley
on 22 May 2012, at 7.30 pm

Present

Cllrs Mike George (Chairman)
Celia Austin
Jack Chapman
Kevin Hagerty
Mike Miller
Tony Schofield
Jan Spratt
Fiona Stimpson

In Attendance

Alan Jones (Town Clerk)
Joan Walsh (Administration Officer)

Members of the Public Mr Peter Cox
Mrs Patricia Lynch
Mr Peter Lynch
Mr Darius Campbell

P 3629 Election of Committee Chairman (Cllr Chapman in the Chair)

Cllr Chapman proposed and Cllr Schofield seconded that Cllr George be elected as Committee Chairman. There were no further nominations for the post.

RESOLVED: that, following a show of hands, Cllr George be elected Chairman of the Planning & Development Committee for the Municipal Year 2012/2013.

P 3630 Apologies and Reasons for Absence

RESOLVED: that the apologies of Cllrs Marshall, Olliver and Powell be accepted, for reasons as specified in the Attendance Register.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3631 Declarations of Interest

RESOLVED: that the Declarations of Interest, as appended to these minutes, be noted.

P 3632 Appointment of Committee Vice-Chairman

Cllr Spratt proposed and Cllr Hagerty seconded that Cllr Schofield be nominated as Committee Vice-Chairman. There were no further nominations for the post.

RESOLVED: that Cllr Schofield be elected Vice-Chairman of the Planning & Development Committee for the Municipal Year 2012/2013.

Public Forum

P 3633 Haroldslea Drive, Horley

Some local residents of Haroldslea Drive addressed the Committee to raise concerns about a proposal by property consultants for a residential development of up to fifty homes at Haroldslea Drive. Each resident spoke in turn to raise objections on the grounds of flood risk; environmental impact; and health and safety implications if access by the emergency services was restricted due to the narrowness of entry and exit roads. The Committee Chairman thanked the speakers for their comments. He acknowledged their concerns and clarified that, if and when a formal Planning Application was registered with the Borough Council, then the points raised would be taken into consideration by the Town Council, as a statutory consultee, before submitting formal comments to the Borough Council. Cllr George suggested that they keep in touch with their ward Councillors.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3634 Approval of Minutes Planning & Development Committee – 24 April 2012

The minutes of the above meeting of the Planning & Development Committee were presented for confirmation by Committee members and signature by the Committee Chairman.

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the above meeting of the Planning & Development Committee be approved.

Matters Arising Planning & Development Committee – 24 April 2012

P 3635 Committee Training Requirements: Presentation on Highways Matters

A private briefing on Highways Matters preceded the main meeting, and was well attended by members. It was decided that a letter of thanks be sent to the Community Highway Officer, Mark Davies for his comprehensive presentation, and that he be invited back to provide another update in due course.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk send a letter of thanks on behalf of the Planning & Development Committee to the Community Highway Officer.

P 3636 Traffic Light Management at Consort Way East and Victoria Road

The Clerk informed members that measures had been taken by the Senior Project Manager, Dave Taylor, to resolve the problems of traffic light management at the above location. The traffic signals were now operating under "MOVA control". This system counts vehicles from each approach, and enables the automatic adjustment of the times plus sequences to best accommodate the varying demands from vehicles as

- P 3636)** well as pedestrians. An experimental Traffic Order was also being considered to reverse traffic flows by the central car park, and there were plans to repaint the yellow box. A further update would be provided after these proposals were presented at the Local Committee meeting, on 18 June 2012.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk provide an update on traffic light management at Consort Way East and Victoria Road at the next meeting of this Committee.

- P 3637 Appointments to Sub-Committees and Outside Bodies**

RESOLVED: that the appointments be approved (details are appended to the minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 15 May 2012).

Sub-Committees and Outside Bodies

- P 3638 Campaign to Protect Rural England (CPRE)**

Cllr Chapman stated that there was no further update. It was noted that the CPRE did not have an appointed branch Chairman, and that this should be raised as a separate Agenda item at their next meeting.

RESOLVED: that Cllr Chapman provide an update on the chairing of future CPRE meetings, at the next meeting of this Committee.

- P 3639 Deferred Planning Applications**

No Planning Applications from previous meetings had been deferred.

RESOLVED: noted.

- P 3640 Determined Planning Applications**

Members reviewed the list of Applications determined for the period 18 April to 15 May 2012.

RESOLVED: noted.

- P 3641 Planning Applications received from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council for the week ending 24 April 2012.**

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's comments, as appended to the signed copy of the minutes and available on the Town Council and Borough Council websites, be noted.

- P 3642 Planning Applications received from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council for the week ending 1 May 2012.**

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's comments, as appended to the signed copy of the minutes and available on the Town Council and Borough Council websites, be noted.

- P 3643 Planning Applications received from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council for the week ending 8 May 2012.**

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's comments, as appended to the signed copy of the minutes and available on the Town Council and Borough Council websites, be noted.

- P 3644 Planning Applications received from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council for the week ending 15 May 2012.**

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's comments, as appended to the signed copy of the minutes and available on the Town Council and Borough Council websites, be noted.

Planning Appeals

- P 3645 Planning Appeals Received**

The list of planning appeals received from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council was reviewed.

RESOLVED: noted.

- P 3646 Planning Appeals Determined**

The list of planning appeals determined by Reigate & Banstead Borough Council was reviewed.

RESOLVED: noted.

Ongoing Planning Matters

- P 3647 Planning Application: CR/2012/0064/FUL – South Terminal, Gatwick Airport, Pier 1, Perimeter Road East, Gatwick, Crawley**

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Crawley Borough Council, stating that the above Planning Application had been approved. It was noted that the Town Council had submitted a comment of 'No Objections' following the Committee meeting on 28 February 2012.

RESOLVED: noted.

- P 3648 Planning Application: CR/2012/0116/CON - Stand 169, Control Tower Road, Gatwick Airport, Crawley**

The Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Crawley Borough Council, stating that the result of the above Planning Application was **No Objection – Subject to Informatives**. It was noted that the Town Council had submitted a comment of 'No Objections' following the Committee meeting on 27 March 2012.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3649 North East Sector

There was no update.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3650 North West Sector

There was no update.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3651 Town Centre Regeneration

There was no update.

RESOLVED: noted.

Airport Matters

P 3652 GATCOM Meeting held on 26 April 2012

The Committee Chairman advised that usual business was presented at the last GATCOM meeting. A copy of the Headline Notes of the meeting would be circulated to members on receipt.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3653 Gatwick Airport Initial Business Plan to 2020

The Initial Business Plan by Gatwick Airport had been circulated to members, for information. It was agreed that the Committee Chairman be put forward for reappointment to the ground noise and NATMAG groups, and a submission would therefore be made by Cllr George in due course.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3654 GATCOM : Draft Aviation Policy Framework – Future Airport Capacity

The Clerk reported receipt of a copy letter from the GATCOM Chairman to the Secretary of State, about the forthcoming consultation on how to meet future airport capacity. GATCOM urged the Government to reconsider its views to encompass all airports countrywide, and the third runway option at Heathrow should also be included in the new policy framework.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3655 Railway Matters

There was no update.

RESOLVED: noted.

Highway Matters

P 3656 Reported Highways Problems

The Clerk presented series of recent photographs taken by the Town Centre Caretaker, showing a variety of faults including damaged metal fencing; broken pavement slabs and gullies; exposed electrical wires, broken public benches, litter accumulation and large pot holes. All of these faults had been reported to Surrey Highways, and many had since been rectified. It was noted that such highway faults may be reported by the public to Surrey Highways via its online reporting facility on the link shown below:

<http://online.surreycc.gov.uk/env/hews/hews.nsf/atozrtf?openform>

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3657 Highways Bulletin

The latest Highways Bulletin by Surrey County Council had been released and circulated to members, for information.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3658 Consultation by Surrey County Council and Reigate & Banstead Borough Council on management of new Primary School in North East Sector (Closing Date: 4 July 2012)

It was noted that two public meetings on the Primary School Consultation in the North East Sector would be held at Oakwood Secondary School, Balcombe Road, Horley, on:

Thursday, 31 May 2012, at 4.30 pm

Tuesday, 12 June 2012, at 7.00 pm

The Committee Chairman suggested that all members attend one of these important meetings, and thereafter a response be submitted by the Town Council prior to the closing date on 4 July 2012.

RESOLVED: that a response to the Primary School Consultation in the North East Sector be considered at the next meeting of this Committee, and then submitted to Surrey County Council before the closing date.

P 3659 Letters Received

From	Subject	Received	Action
Local Resident	Facility for recycling plastic packing	10.05.12	Passed to RBBC.
Property Services Manager, RBBC	Newman House Demolition	11.05.12	Noted.

RESOLVED: noted

P 3660 Diary Dates

25 May 2012:

Horley Safer Neighbourhood Team: Bike Marking Event, Horley Rail Station

4 June 2012:

Queen's Diamond Jubilee Community Fun Day, Horley Recreation Ground

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3661 Urgent Business

No matters were raised.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 3662 Press Release

RESOLVED: that comments on Planning Applications be released to the press and placed on the Town Council website.

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Date of next meeting – 19 June 2012