

Cllr Saunders reported that the above petition had met the relevant criteria to be considered by the Reigate & Banstead Local Committee and will be presented at the next meeting to be held on Monday 2 December 2019.

RESOLVED: noted.

Outside Bodies and Sub-Committees

P 6604 Horley Town Management Group (HTMG)

The Clerk advised that next HTMG meeting would be held in the Edmonds Hall on Tuesday, 12 November, starting at 6.30 pm.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6605 Determined Planning Applications

Members reviewed the list of Planning Applications determined for the period 20 September – 17 October 2019.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6606 Planning Applications received from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council for the period 20 September – 17 October 2019.

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 approved.

Planning Appeals – During the period 20 September – 17 October 2019.

P 6607 Planning Appeals Received

Members reviewed the list of Planning Appeals Received for the period 20 September – 17 October 2019.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6608 Planning Appeals Determined

Members reviewed the list of Planning Appeals Determined for the period 20 September – 17 October 2019

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6609 Ongoing Planning Matters

Horse Hill Well Site, Hookwood, Horley

P 6609 It was noted that SCC had approved the application by Horse Hill Developments Ltd for the retention and extension of an existing well site, HH1 and HH2 wells, and vehicular access to allow: the drilling of four new hydrocarbon wells and one water

reinjection well; the construction of a process and storage area and tanker loading facility; new boundary fencing; well maintenance workovers and sidetrack drilling; and ancillary development enabling the production of hydrocarbons from six wells, for a period of 25 years.

The Clerk reported that following planning approval, campaigners were seeking legal advice to challenge the decision and an upcoming public meeting had been arranged. It was further noted that, on 26 October, the Horse Hill Rebel Alliance, a collaboration of climate change groups, were planning to hold a legal, peaceful protest at the Horse Hill site.

RESOLVED: noted.

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North East Sector (The Acres)/North West Sector (Westvale Park)

There were no updates.

RESOLVED: noted.

Town Centre Regeneration

P 6611

Horley Regeneration Forum (HRF) and Horley Town Management Group (HTMG) Merger

The Clerk advised that a meeting had been held with County, Borough and Town Council representatives to discuss the amalgamation of the two groups. The Head of Place Delivery, Peter Boarder, introduced his colleague Carrie Burton, as the new Place Project Manager. Cllrs Hammond, Knight, George and the Clerk were also in attendance at the meeting.

Having evaluated the existing Terms of Reference for both groups, it was felt that the HTMG version had effectively covered the key principles and objectives and should therefore be used as a template for the new merger.

Amongst the discussions, it was generally felt that the purpose of the merger was to support residents, businesses and the wider community by hearing concerns, acquiring information and using social media channels to keep everyone informed. There should also be a stronger focus on community engagement to encompass all areas of Horley. Partnership working with frequent updates from each responsible authority at respective meetings, was considered to be equally important.

It was agreed that a core steering group be established to lead meetings and that interested community groups be invited to participate to share their levels of expertise, past experiences and vision for the future of Horley.

It was decided that the new draft Terms of Reference for the combined group would be drafted by Carrie Burton for consideration at the next HTMG meeting to be held on 12 November. The renaming of the group would be considered at a later date and its title would reflect key partnership working amongst the local authorities as well as signifying community identity.

The Planning Chairman said that representation by members on the new group would need to be re-evaluated to ensure a proportionate ratio from local authorities, businesses and community groups. A further update would be provided at the next meeting of this Committee.

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RESOLVED: noted.

Horley High Street Pedestrian Precinct Update

P 6612

The Clerk updated the Committee on the following latest developments from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council (RBBC).

- The majority of the street furniture had been installed (including the new benches) and the Pedestrian Zone Sign would be enforceable once the TRO becomes operational in early November. A period of monitoring and enforcement would follow and the suggestion of an ANPR system to prevent illegal parking had been put forward to RBBC for consideration with the County Council as an extra traffic control measure.
- The planters had been ordered and would be installed on arrival, along with two mixed recycling bins which had since been sourced by RBBC.
- The community notice board had also been placed and the Town Council would now maintain it.
- Concerns about water leakage into shop fronts, where it meets the new paving, had since been resolved by RBBC.
- The electric cabinet had further been positioned but responsibility for its usage after becoming metered, had yet to be confirmed.
- Responsibility for maintenance of the new signage after its installation had yet to be made known and was a matter which has been taken up by the Wayfinding Group with RBBC. The Town Council had raised some earlier concerns in this regard since it does not have statutory powers to maintain any equipment positioned on highways land.
- Emergency works by UK Power Networks were required at the far end of the Precinct and the Clerk of Works would co-ordinate this to ensure reinstatement works are implemented shortly after.

A further update would be provided at the next Committee meeting.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6613

Railway Matters

GTR Passenger Benefit Fund – Proposed Schemes following public consultation

The Clerk reported that the preliminary outcomes of the consultation had been collated by GTR and it had begun to shortlist potential station improvements in priority order. The update (previously circulated) about the investments proposed to improve Horley Station through the Passenger Benefit Fund had been received and included in this exercise. There would now be an opportunity to provide any comments which members duly considered for providing feedback before the finalised works are published by GTR.

RESOLVED: noted.

Highways Matters

P 6614 Pavement Audit Group Meeting

CLlr Stimpson informed Members that the first meeting of the new Pavement Audit Group would take place on 30 October 2019. A further update would be provided at the next Planning meeting.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6615 Transport Strategy for the South East – Consultation Closing 10 January 2020

The Planning Chairman said that the consultation recently launched by ‘Transport for the South East (TfSE)’ would be added to the next Planning Agenda to consider the proposals contained in the Draft Strategy document and this was agreed. He added that he had attended a good presentation at GATCOM on the matter which had been subsequently circulated to Members for information.

RESOLVED: that the above TfSE Consultation on Transport Strategy for the South East, be considered at the next meeting of the Planning & Development Committee.

P 6616 SCC Diversion Order & Notice – Public Footpath FP392

The Clerk advised that the SCC Countryside Access Team had advertised the Diversion Order, arising from Network Rail’s application to divert the public footpath at the ‘Danehurst Level Crossing’, North East of the junction with the A23, Bonehurst Road. The proposed route would join the existing footway at the Orchard Drive/Cross Oak Lane junction. It was noted that the Town Council had already responded in support of the proposals.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6617 SCC Highways Bulletins

RESOLVED: that receipt be noted of the latest SCC Highways Bulletins (already circulated to members).

Airport Matters

P 6618 GATCOM Meeting, 17 October 2019

The Planning Chairman gave an overview of the content of the meeting which he had attended. He said that amongst the items discussed were: Transport, Coast to Capital, Airport Performance, Community Engagement and the Horley Carnival. They had also received a presentation from GACC. It had been an interesting and worthwhile meeting and key messages and minutes would be circulated to members on receipt from GATCOM.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6619 GAL Route 4 Standard Instrument Departures Workshop, 30 October 2019.

RESOLVED: that the Planning Chairman would be attending the meeting as the Town Council’s appointed representative.

P 6620 GAL/NMB (Airspace and Noise) Annual Public Meeting, 3 December 2019.

The Planning Chairman advised that he would be attending this annual public meeting by Gatwick Airport Airspace & Noise Management Board. The Clerk added that there would be a progress report delivered by NMB together with tutorials from noise experts. There would also be an opportunity to engage with the new commission on aviation noise (ICCAN).

Cllr George that he had been part of the interview panel for the new Chairman of the NNB (currently suspended). The calibre of candidates had been very high and it was expected that an appointment would be made soon.

RESOLVED: noted.

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GATCOM: Weekly Newsletters & Updates

These had previously been circulated to Members for information.

RESOLVED: noted.

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Recent Airport Communications

From	Subject	Received	Action
GATCOM	Weekly Newsletters & Updates	27.09.19) 4.10.19) 18.10.19)	Noted
GATCOM	Invitation to NMB Public Meeting	21.10.19	Noted
GATCOM	Gatwick Annual Tour Agenda	21.10.19	Noted

RESOLVED: noted.

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RBBC Development Management Plan (DMP) adopted

The Clerk informed Members that RBBC had issued a Press Release on 27 September to the effect that the Council had formally adopted its Development Management Plan (DMP) after the Planning Inspector found it sound and legally compliant. The Plan sets out the long-term Planning Policies to 2027 to guide what development looks like, the standards it should achieve and how the Borough's character, heritage and environment will be protected in the future. It further identified sites where new homes, businesses, shops and facilities could be built.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6624

RBBC Planning Seminar, 16 October 2019

The Clerk reported that the Planning Seminar attended jointly by Horley Town Council and Salfords and Sidlow Parish Council Members, had been very well received. The presentation was delivered by RBBC's Head of Policy, Andrew Benson, and he was accompanied by the RBBC Planning Committee Chairman, Cllr Derek Allcard.

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The briefing included an overview on Planning Policy and how Planning Applications must be determined against Development Plan Policies, the Core Strategy and the Minerals & Waste Plan. It further covered RBBC's obligations under the National Planning Policy Framework, lawful Material Considerations when considering applications and housing delivery requirements set by the Ministry for Housing,

Communities & Local Government (MHCLG). The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) was also summarised and the 15% element going to Town and Parish Councils, subject to certain exemptions.

Andrew further explained the RBBC Planning Support Team structure, the annual statistics of Planning Applications received and the required process to final determination. He also explained the remit of the Planning Enforcement Team and the importance of reporting a possible breach for urgent investigation.

The Clerk added that she has sent a letter of thanks to Andrew on behalf of the Town Council for his very informative and interesting presentation. A copy of the presentation slides had also been circulated to Members for information.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6625

Neighbourhood Plan

The Clerk reported that Salfords and Sidlow Parish Council had invited HTC to attend a joint Training Workshop by a specialist on Neighbourhood Planning to explore the possibilities and advantages of implementing a Neighbourhood Plan.

In advance of the meeting, the Clerk had circulated NALC's Guidance Notes on 'Neighbourhood Planning & Community Health & Well Being'. Further information had also been taken from the Government website and summarised in a briefing note for members to consider the options during the meeting. She further provided members with an overview of the Neighbourhood Planning process, including any potential benefits and resource implications.

Members were reminded of the fact that the Town Council does not have a Neighbourhood Plan due to the many large housing developments in Horley already kept under review through the Borough's Development Management Plan (DMP) and upon which HTC is actively consulted and participates frequently in such important engagement on behalf of the community.

She further pointed out that any proposals for the Town Council to establish its own Neighbourhood Plan would first require a referendum to be held with Horley residents (to determine Town Council support for it or otherwise). Extensive consultation with the Borough Council throughout the process would also be necessary.

After considering the information provided, the Committee felt that there was already effective partnership working between HTC and RBBC on such matters and that the Town Council had a positive experience of contributing to shaping the Development Management Plan (DMP) in relation to Horley. Members therefore decided that, on this occasion, they could see no benefit in taking part in joint training exercise since they currently had no intention of pursuing a Neighbourhood Plan.

RESOLVED: that the invitation by Salfords & Sidlow Parish Council to embark on a joint Training Workshop to explore the possibility of implementing a Neighbourhood Plan, be declined.

P 6626

Aurora Academies Trust Consultation – Closing 18 November 2019

Members discussed and agreed a response to the above statutory consultation by the Aurora Academies Trust on the two-form entry Primary School & Nursery at Westvale Park Academy, opening in September 2010. A copy is appended to the signed copy of these minutes.

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's formal response to the above Aurora Academies Trust consultation, on the two-form entry Primary School & Nursery at Westvale Park Academy, be approved.

P 6627

Letters Received

From	Subject	Received	Action
Mole Valley DC	Future Mole Valley	27.9.19	Noted
Tandridge DC	Tandridge Local Plan	21.10.19	Noted
NALC	Neighbourhood Planning and Community Health and Wellbeing	21.10.19	Noted
Resident	Inadequacy of public transport to post 16 education provision	22.10.19	Noted with thanks to Cllr Baird for her report. Members agreed that better transport links are needed.
Aurora Academies Trust	Consultation on the opening of the Westvale Park Primary Academy	7.10.19	Responded see item P 6625 above

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6628

Diary Dates

RESOLVED: that upcoming events be noted, including the School of Food presentation by the Alliance for Better Care (23 October); Surrey Superfast Broadband Briefing (19 November); and RBL Remembrance Services Programme (6, 10 and 11 November).

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Items for Future Consideration

No matters were raised.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 6630

Press Release

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

Meeting closed at 9.23 pm

Date of next meeting: 19 November 2019