# **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 13 September 2016, at 7.30 pm

Prior to the Planning & Development Committee meeting, private presentations were given by RBBC on the Development Management Plan (DMP) and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL).

Present Cllrs Richard Olliver (Chairman)

James Baker
Surrinder Banwait
Richard Biggs
Kevin Etheridge
Mike George
Jerry Hudson
David Jackson

Linda Mabbett Simon Marshall Fiona Stimpson

In Attendance Cllr James Baird

Alan Jones (Town Clerk)

Joan Walsh (Planning & Projects Officer)

Members of the Public (3)

P 5416 Apologies and Reasons for Absence

RESOLVED: that the apologies of Cllrs Jackson, be accepted for reasons as specified in the Attendance Register.

P 5417 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Non-Pecuniary Interests

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

**Public Forum** 

P 5418 Planning Application: 16/01793/S73 – Horley Town Football Club, The New Defence, Anderson Way, Horley

The Chairman of Horley Town Football Club raised the above Planning Application to increase the provision of flood lighting of the main pitch to 6 days a week from 14:30 hours to 22:30 hours, Monday to Saturday.

He told the Committee that the proposal would mean no change to the lighting provision already in place (and formerly sanctioned by RBBC), but only a variation to the existing condition to extend the duration of the times permitted. The purpose of these measures was to provide a safe environment for a range of youth teams to be able train safely at their home ground in the evenings, rather than segregated elsewhere.

The Chairman thanked the speaker for his comments. A discussion followed amongst members, who felt that the provision of community sports facility should be supported. However, in view of the later finish times, measures should also be taken

**P 5418)** in the form of shading and glare control in order to eliminate any disruption for neighbours. Standing Orders were then suspended at that part of the meeting to consider a formal response by the Town Council.

RESOLVED: that the following comments be made regarding Planning Application: 16/01793/S73 – Horley Town Football Club, The New Defence, Anderson Way, Horley:

No objections. The Town Council supports this application in the provision of a community sports facility. However, we do have concerns over the late finish time (up to 22:30 hours) and, would recommend that appropriate shading of the flood lighting on the main pitch and glare control measures be put in place should resident complaints arise.

#### P 5419 Gatwick Route 4 Modifications

Two speakers present addressed the Committee for clarification on Route 4 Modifications affecting Gatwick flights which had significantly increased aircraft noise levels directly over Horley, a matter which had also been widely reported by other residents over recent weeks.

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders so that the matter, listed on the Agenda, could be brought forward to that part of the meeting.

In his capacity as a NATMAG representative, Cllr George explained that departure routes within Route 4 were not fully compliant as some aircraft were flying outside the northern edge of the NPR swathe. To ensure that aircraft moved back inside the Noise Preferential Route (NPR), route modifications were made on a trial basis, from May to November 2016. With regard to aircraft overflying Horley, it was reiterated that this was in clear breach of the current aircraft navigation regulations, and should be reported directly to Gatwick Airport Ltd (GAL). GAL was requested to inform the Town Council on exactly what would happen when the trial ended in November.

The Town Council further contacted NATS (National Air Traffic Services), the body responsible for implementing the route changes, with evidence of such breaches. NATS had since advised that the matters were under investigation and had been referred to NATMAG (Noise and Track Monitoring Working Group) with a meeting set for **29 September** to review findings. It was understood that the investigation was continuing and detailed flight checking, navigation monitoring, radar checks etc. would be required.

The Clerk further advised the above mentioned information and other updates were available to view on the Town Council website, by using this <u>link</u>.

#### RESOLVED: noted.

# P 5420 Surrey County Council - Extension of Fastway 20 Bus Service into the Acres

The speaker commented that the extension of the Fastway bus route into the Acres should include appropriate traffic calming measures in view of recent minor accidents, especially by the crossroads linking Langshott with Orchard Drive and Wheatfield Way. He felt that the planned safety measures to link Brookfield Drive to Langshott with a new "bus-only" section of road by the community centre with rising bollards for bus/emergency access activation only could be compromised if they failed to operate or became vandalised.

In summary, the changes to be implemented by Surrey County Council next year would mean that the bus would enter the Acres from Orchard Drive, travel clockwise along Brookfield Drive, turn right onto Langshott and then left into Wheatfield Way, before continuing its onward journey. To enable this, the following alterations would be made:

- To introduce new parking restrictions on Brookfield Drive;
- To install 4 new bus stops on Brookfield Drive;
- ➤ To Provide a new "bus only" section of road at the end of Brookfield Drive;
- > To Resurface Langshott and building passing places for cars and a new path for pedestrians;
- > To change the priority of the crossroads, linking Langshott with Orchard Drive and Wheatfield Way.

The Chairman thanked the speakers for the comments made. Standing Orders were then suspended to note that local residents had recently been notified in writing with details of the County Council's local engagement exercise on the bus route extension and associated road works, and that comments could be emailed to the SCC Passenger Transport Team: <a href="mailto:passenger.transport@surreycc.gov.uk">passenger.transport@surreycc.gov.uk</a>; or in writing to: SCC Travel and Transport Group, Room 365, County Hall, Penrhyn Road, Kingston KT1 2DN by 25 September 2016. All comments received would be collated and reported to SCC's Reigate & Banstead Local Committee, at their meeting in December.

RESOLVED: noted.

### P 5421 Approval of Minutes

Planning & Development Committee - 16 August 2016

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

## P 5422 Matters Arising

Planning & Development Committee – 16 August 2016

Horley History Society - North West Sector Street Names

It was reported that the Town Council had received a letter from RBBC to its letter on street naming at West Vale Park, in response to why the Borough Council had concluded its definitive list of street names without any further consultation even though the Horley History Society had been directly approached for suggestions beforehand. The letter stated that recommendations made by the group were duly considered where appropriate. However, the shortlisted names were chosen based on a number of factors, namely, to simplify correct pronunciation and spelling; to avoid duplication of similar streets in the area; to enable residents to easily convey their locations in emergency situations; and for Royal Mail purposes.

RESOLVED: noted. (A copy of the reply letter subsequently received from the Borough Council on street naming in Horley North West Sector, is appended to the signed copy of these minutes.)

**Outside Bodies and Sub-Committees** 

## P 5423 Gatwick Diamond Business (GDB)

There was no update.

RESOLVED: noted.

## P 5424 Horley Town Management Group (HTMG)

There was no update.

RESOLVED: noted.

## P 5425 Deferred Planning Applications

No matters were deferred.

RESOLVED: noted.

## P 5426 Determined Planning Applications

Members reviewed the list of Planning Applications determined for the period 13 August to 9 September 2016.

RESOLVED: noted.

# P 5427 Planning Applications received from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council for the period 13 August to 9 September 2016.

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 5428 Planning Appeals Received

No Planning Appeals relevant to Horley were received during the period 13 August to 9 September 2016.

RESOLVED: noted.

# P 5429 Planning Appeals Determined

No Planning Appeals relevant to Horley were determined during the period 13 August to 9 September 2016.

RESOLVED: noted.

#### P 5430 North East Sector (The Acres)

No updates were received.

RESOLVED: noted.

## P 5431 North West Sector (West Vale Park)

No updates were received.

RESOLVED: noted.

## P 5432 Town Centre Regeneration

No updates were received.

RESOLVED: noted.

#### P 5433 Railway Matters

#### Redhill, Reigate & District Rail Users Association (RRDRUA)

The revised timetable produced by Southern Railway, effective from early September, was communicated by the group.

RESOLVED: noted.

**Highways Matters** 

## P 5434 Operation Horizon – Outstanding Highways Works in Horley

The Clerk updated members on progress following a reminder sent by him to the Chairman of Surrey County Council, requesting a response to an earlier letter from the HTC Planning Chairman regarding outstanding highways works in Horley. Cllr Marks later forwarded these queries on to the Highways Department and Portfolio Holder, John Furey, and asked him to respond direct to the Town Council.

In his reply email to Cllr Marks (and copied to HTC), Cllr Furey said he was reluctant to provide immediate responses to the specific roads indicated as there was both a need to understand the holistic requirements of the area and the reasoning behind both programmes. He was happy to attend a further meeting with officers and local county members, to discuss both the rational and future programme considerations in detail. By way of example, he advised that Court Lodge Road had been discussed with Cllr Hammond and, after they inspected the road for themselves, both agreed that urgent road repairs were required, and would be dealt with in the 2017/18 programme.

Cllr George explained to members that essential road repairs to Court Lodge Road had remained outstanding for some years even though they were inspected previously, and anticipated to be included in Surrey Highways Maintenance Repair programme at that time. However, due to the fact that no proper remedial works had been actioned since, it was felt that because the road remained in such bad repair that extensive reconstruction of the foundations along with surface repairs would be required.

Members felt that in view of increasing concerns about this and other Horley locations thought to be in need of more urgent attention, that the matter should be escalated to the Leader of Surrey County Council, to progress further.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk contacts the Leader of Surrey County Council regarding outstanding Highways Works in Horley, and Operation Horizon.

#### P 5435 Airport Matters

## **Recent Airport Communications**

| From   | Subject                                    | Received | Action |
|--------|--|----------|--------|
| GATCOM | GATCOM Chairman's Annual<br>Review 2015/16 | 22.8.16  | Noted. |

| P 5435) | GATCOM | GATCOM Weekly Newsletters (3)                       | 24.8.16<br>2.9.16<br>9.9.16 | Noted.<br>Noted.<br>Noted. |
|---------|--------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
|         | GATCOM | Outcome - West Sussex & Surrey Infrastructure Study | 5.9.16                      | Noted.                     |
|         | GON    | Enewsletter: "Night Flight Fight"                   | 6.9.16                      | Noted.                     |

RESOLVED: noted.

# P 5436 Reigate & Banstead Borough Council Consultation: Development Management Plan (DMP), Regulation 18

An update was given by the *DMP Sub-Committee* following their preliminary review of the published document which included plans for future development in the town centre, several other proposed sites, and the reserve list and urban open spaces. *The closing date for the consultation was noted as* **10 October 2016**.

Further to private presentation given by RBBC prior to the planning meeting, it was decided that the DMP Sub-Committee would meet again to make final comments, and an Extraordinary Full Council meeting would be held on 4 October 2016 to approve the Town Council's final submission.

(Details of the RBBC Local Plan: Development Management Plan (DMP) consultation are available view on this link.)

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's draft response to the above RBBC Consultation on Development Management Plan, Regulation 18 be approved at the Extraordinary Full Council meeting on 4 October 2016, and submitted to the Borough Council prior to the closing date.

# P 5437 Proposed Horley Business Park

There was no update.

RESOLVED: noted.

## P 5438 Surrey County Council Consultation: Changes to South East Permit Scheme

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's response to the above Surrey County Council Consultation on Changes to South East Permit Scheme, as appended to the signed copy of these minutes, be ratified.

# P 5439 Mole Valley District Council – Draft Statement of Community Involvement

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's response to the above Mole Valley District Council Consultation on Draft Statement of Community Involvement, as appended to the signed copy of these minutes, be ratified.

| Letters Received<br>From | Subject  | Received | Action  |
|--------------------------|--|----------|---|
| Resident                 | Gatwick Parking –<br>Private Driveway<br>Rental  | 30.8.16  | Noted. Cllr George contacted resident.  |
| Resident                 | Deer sighted at<br>Riverside Garden<br>Park  | 31.8.16  | Passed to RBBC.   |
| Planning Portal          | Latest Planning<br>News  | 1.9.16   | Noted.  |
| Cllr Fiona Stimpson      | Oak Tree Removal<br>Complaint  | 9.9.16   | Noted. (Tree<br>Enquiries explained<br>on this RBBC<br>website <u>link</u> ). |
| Cllr Henry Randall       | Copy Letter to SCC:<br>Hazardous Road<br>Works (arising from<br>SCC Surface<br>Dressing Project) | 12.9.16  | Noted.  |
| Resident                 | Victoria Road<br>Car Park  | 8.9.16   | Passed to SCC.  |

RESOLVED: noted.

# P 5441 Diary Dates

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## > Horley in Bloom Awards Evening

Friday, 30 September, from 7.00 pm Everyone welcome!

# > HTC Councillor Training (all members welcome):

Air Quality Presentation (By RBBC Air Quality & Environmental Health Officer, Leon Hibbs)

Tuesday, 11 October 2016 (from 7.00 pm, prior to Planning Meeting), Edmonds Hall, Albert Rooms.

## Gatwick Airport Tour

Thursday, 27 October 2016 at 9.am

## **▶** Planning Update Event for Surrey Parishes

Wednesday, 9 November 2016, Masonic Hall Dorking Hall, Reigate Road, Dorking RH4 1SG (registration: 6.30 pm, conclusion: 9.00 pm)
To be attended by Cllrs Olliver, Biggs and George.

RESOLVED: noted.

# P 5442 Press Release

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

Meeting closed at 9.12 pm

Date of next meeting: 11 October 2016