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 20 June 2017, at 7.30 pm

Present Cllrs Richard Biggs (Chairman)

James Baker

Surrinder Banwait Mike George Jerry Hudson Linda Mabbett Simon Marshall Richard Olliver David Powell Fiona Stimpson

In Attendance Alan Jones (Town Clerk)

Joan Walsh (Planning & Projects Officer)
Judy Morgan (Administrative Officer)

P 5723 Apologies and Reasons for Absence

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

P 5724 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Non-Pecuniary Interests

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

P 5725 Public Forum

There were no members present during the Public Forum part of the meeting.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5726 Approval of Minutes

Planning & Development Committee - 23 May 2017

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

Matters Arising

Planning & Development Committee - 23 May 2017

P 5727 SCC Briefing Note: Rights of Way Maintenance Funding Reduction

The Planning Officer reported that the SCC Countryside Access Team Manager had been contacted about the reduction in resources for maintaining public rights of way in Horley potentially compromising public safety, and if involvement by local volunteer groups could be considered. In order to explore the options in more detail, it was suggested that SCC Officers be invited to attend a pre-meeting briefing at the Town Council offices. (This was subsequently arranged to take place before the next Planning Meeting, on 18 July, at 6.30 pm, and all members would be invited to attend.)

Cllr Olliver added that he had requested that the matter be included as an agenda item for the forthcoming annual meeting of Surrey ALC.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk invites all members to attend a pre-meeting briefing by the SCC Countryside Access Team on 18 July, regarding Public Rights of Way maintenance arising from reduced funding.

Outside Bodies and Sub-Committees

P 5728 Gatwick Diamond Business (GDB)

There was no update.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5729 Horley Town Management Group (HTMG)

The Clerk gave an update on the last HTMG meeting, held on 22 May. He advised that a former proposal to position a defibrillator outside Boots would now proceed with the landlord's agreement, and a second appliance would be placed at the Horley & District Constitutional Club (1 Albert Road, Horley), as part of the planned roll-out programme. Once finalised, the Town Council would publish a definitive list of locally based defibrillators for public information.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5730 Deferred Planning Applications

Planning Application No: 17/00990/HHOLD - 28 Wheatfield Way Langshott Horley Removal of trees and replace with a fence

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's response of 'No objections' to the above Planning Application No: 17/00990/HHOLD - 28 Wheatfield Way Langshott Horley, be ratified.

P 5731 Determined Planning Applications

Members reviewed the list of Planning Applications determined for the period 20 May to 16 June 2017.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5732 Planning Applications received from Reigate & Banstead Borough Council for the period 20 May to 16 June 2017

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 5733 Planning Appeals Received

The list of Planning Appeals received during the period 20 May to 16 June 2017, were reviewed.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5734 Planning Appeals Determined

The list of Planning Appeals determined during the period 20 May to 16 June 2017, were reviewed.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5735 Ongoing Planning Matters

No matters were raised.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5736 North East Sector (The Acres)

The Chairman gave an update on outstanding works to play areas at The Acres, Langshott which had yet to be carried out by Bovis Homes. Along with Borough Councillors, he had pushed for these to be completed since the basketball court remained the only facility available for some considerable time. The Clerk added he would also raise the matter with the RBBC Regeneration Manager.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk contact RBBC the Regeneration Manager regarding completion works to play areas at The Acres, Langshott and provide an update at the next meeting.

P 5737 North West Sector (Westvale Park)

No matters were raised.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5738 Town Centre Regeneration

There was no update.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5739 Railway Matters

No matters were raised.

RESOLVED: noted.

Highways Matters

P 5740 Further Amendments to Reigate and Banstead Parking Review – Langshott and Brighton Road

The Clerk reported receipt of the SCC Notice regarding 'Further Amendments' to the Reigate & Banstead Parking Review which included proposals to existing parking and waiting restrictions at Langshott and Brighton Road. A copy of the notice had already been circulated to members, for information.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5741 Surrey County Council Consultation: Planning Application for a new Village Green at 'The Green', Landen Park, Horley (Closing Date: 6 July 2017)

Following a review of the above Planning Application at 'The Green', Landen Park, Horley, members supported the proposal for a new Village Green, and it was agreed that a letter from the Town Council be sent to Surrey County Council accordingly.

RESOLVED: that a letter from the Town Council, in support of the above Planning Application for a new Village Green at 'The Green', Landen Park, Horley be sent to the SCC Commons Registration Officer.

P 5742 SCC Road Maintenance – Victoria Road, Horley

The condition of Victoria Road following early warning signs of another potential sunken hole, was discussed. It was noted that the matter had already been reported to Surrey Highways, and the site had been scheduled for inspection by the contractor. However, members felt that as more holes had since appeared, the whole road should be completely resurfaced rather than temporary patching carried out to some areas while other parts remained untouched as this could be a potential safety risk, especially for cyclists. The Clerk advised he would check on latest developments with Surrey Highways Officers and convey increasing concerns about Victoria Road.

RESOLVED: that the Clerk liaise with SCC Highways Officer for an update on planned repairs to Victoria Road, and provide an update at the next Committee meeting.

P 5743 Inconsiderate Airport Parking on Residential Roads

Cllr Stimpson raised concerns about the repeat practice of airport users parking inconsiderately on residential roads and causing obstructions. By way of example, this had become a daily occurrence on a stretch of the A23 Brighton Road (via Church Road), with several parked cars and some obscuring sight lines right by the junction. Several other residential roads throughout Horley were also mentioned. Members were in full agreement that this had become a safety hazard and, as such, problem areas should have double yellow lines as well as proper monitoring by enforcement officers.

Cllr Olliver pointed out that controlled parking issues would normally be considered under the standard *SCC/RBBC Parking Review*, but could possibly be included on the agenda of the next meeting of the local committee. In the meantime, it was suggested that a proposed action plan of the worst affected roads be put together by the Town Council and SCC Highways Officers invited to visit these locations along with local committee members and town councillors, for which a tour would be arranged on a mutually convenient date and time.

RESOLVED: that the Clerks liaise with SCC Highways Officers and local committee members about controlled parking to alleviate parking obstructions on residential roads by airport users, and arrange a tour to inspect the areas at first hand.

Airport Matters

P 5744 Defra Consultation – Draft UK Air Quality Plan

RESOLVED: that the Town Council's response to the above Defra Consultation on Draft UK Air Quality Plan, as appended to these minutes and available to view on the Town Council website, be ratified.

P 5745 Recent Airport Communications

From	Subject	Received	Action
GATCOM	DfT Consultation on UK Airspace Policy: A Framework for Balanced Decisions on the Design & Use of Airspace - GATCOM response.	23.5.17	Noted.
GATCOM	CAA Consultation: Draft Airspace Change Guidance – GATCOM response.	6.6.17	Noted.
GATCPM	Gatwick Airport Noise Information Booklet	19.6.17	Noted.
GATCOM	GATCOM Weekly Newsletters & Updates	26.5.17) 2.6.17) 9.6.17) 16.6.7)	Noted.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5746 Resolution: Gatwick Departure Route 4

The Planning Officer reported that reply letters in connection with the Resolution passed on Gatwick Departure Route 4, had been received from the Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) and the Department for Transport. Members agreed that the letters should be published on the website and in the e-Newsletter.

(Letters from CAA and DfT available to view here)

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5747 Proposed Horley Business Park

The Clerk advised that he contacted RBBC's Senior Planning Officer for any update on the proposed Horley Business Park, and was later informed that no further information to impart had become available.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5748 Letters / Emails Received

From	Subject	Received	Action
SCC Transport	Langshott Highways Works & Extension to Fastway 20 Bus Service (The Acres).	24.5.17	Noted.
SCC Countryside Access	SCC Public Footpath 392 – Temporary Prohibition of	12.6.17	Noted.

P5748) Traffic Order 2016

(expires 14.8.17)

SCC Highways Road Resurfacing – 20.6.17 Noted.

Court Lodge Road

(27.6.17)

WSCC Consultation – Noted.

Mineral Deposits

Horley Infant School School 12.6.17 Noted.

Development

Review

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5749 Diary Dates

Judging of Horley in Bloom
Morning of Tuesday 4 July 2017

Judging of South & South East in Bloom From 9.30 am on Monday 10 July 2017

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5750 Urgent Business

No matters were raised.

RESOLVED: noted.

P 5751 Press Release

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

Meeting closed at 8.46 pm Date of next meeting: 18 July 2017