

MINUTES OF THE CROSSWAYS PARISH COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2007 IN THE SPORTS PAVILION, DICK 0' TH' BANKS ROAD AT 7PM

GENERAL AGENDA

Prior to the meeting Cllr Smy advised the meeting that the next phase of the consultation to bring a Skate Bowl and MUGA to Crossways will take the form of a public consultation on Saturday 24th November from 11.00 – 1.30pm consisting of one hour set aside, from 11.30 to 12.30, for a debate/workshop chaired by Inspector Fry and facilitated by Kris Hallett. Cllr Smy encouraged all members to attend.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

a. Mr Barton, a resident of Oaklands Park questioned what is happening on the land abutting Oaklands Park, the B3390 and the Link Road. (Hippy Field). It was noted that following full public consultation with the Agents, Pegasus, and the proposed developer, Ravine Lifestyle, there is now a for sale board on the land. Mr Barton expressed great concern over the recent events advising the Council that he now has a view of concrete and he feels that damage has been done to his property, and others, due to the vibration of the equipment used to demolish the buildings on the field. Mr Barton was reminded that the Council has met with the agent and developer and expressed deep concern of events to date. Cllr Scard informed Councillors that she had rung Goadsby and was informed that the developer had a change of heart and would no longer be going ahead with the proposal for a mixed scheme and has reverted to a scheme with only industrial units. Cllr Smy offered to meet with Mr Barton accompanied by Cllr Smith, Chairman Planning for further discussion if required. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr Jim Tarzey to enquire as to what the up to date situation is from his point of view.

ACTION: CLERK

b. Mr Derek Turtle spoke regarding his previous correspondence with the Council with the proposal to install a running track on the sports field stating that the cost of white lining such a track would be in the region of £90.00. Cllr Smy invited Mr Turtle to visit the consultation on November 24th in the matter of the proposed MUGA/Skate Bowl as this might infringe on the provision of a running track and Mr Turtle could offer his thoughts then. Cllr Smy asked Mr Turtle if he felt that a running track would be used enough. Mr Turtle replied he felt it would and a petition is available showing a need. It was agreed to put the matter of the November Amenities Committee agenda.

c. Mr David Croft stating an ACAS directive on effective governance stated that Minutes of meetings should be produced within 7 days. The Clerk replied that Minutes have to be given a priority against other tasks and the Council if they wish, could make a mandate for minutes to be produced in a given time scale and if they did she would comply but other issues would slide down a scale of priority. Cllr Smy advised those present that the Clerk is meticulous in dealing with other items and makes every effort to prioritise her work.

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies were received from Cllr Andrew Brewer, Cllr Caroline Round and Cllr Elaine Stenning

ITEM 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no Declarations of Interest.

ITEM 3 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – WEDNESDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2007 Confirmed

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chair: Cllr D Smith

ITEM 1 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (5th September 2007) Cllr Smith advised Councillors of changes he had made to the minutes, the Clerk advised Cllr Smith that Councillors had been supplied with a copy of the amendment. The revised Minutes were accepted as a true record and duly signed.

ITEM 2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES There were no matters arising.

ITEM 3 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT The Chairman had nothing to report.

ITEM 4 TO CONSIDER HOLDING DISCUSSIONS WITH ANDY LLOYD RURAL HOUSING ENABLER, DORSET COMMUNITY HOUSING TO DISCUSS HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY This item was deferred to the next Planning Committee meeting.

ITEM 5 CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATION 1/D/07/001212 LAND AT THE REAR OF 21 DICK O' TH' BANKS ROAD – DEVELOP LAND BY THE ERECTION OF A CHALET TYPE BUNGALOW INCORPORATING ACCOMMODATION AT FIRST FLOOR LEVEL TOGETHER WITH VEHICULAR ACCESS VIA AN EXISTING ACCESS ADJACENT TO NOS 23 AND 25 DICK O' TH' BANKS ROAD

Cllr Smith informed Councillors that he did not have the plans and apologised for not getting to the Library to pick up the plans. Cllr Smith provided a print out he had downloaded from the web site. During discussions concern was raised over access for emergency vehicles. The Council suspended Standing Orders to allow input from the applicant, Mr Henry Gill who advised them that the concerns regarding emergency access had been raised during a previous application and have now been addressed. There is an access route of 3.7metres on the plans and this has been agreed by Highways. The access road, which will be shared with No 23 will be a private, tarmac road.

Meeting resumed

It was proposed by Cllr Smith, seconded by Cllr Smy that approval is recommended. Councillors voted 10 in favour. Cllr Bache voted against.

AGREED

ITEM 6 TO AGREE TO LOBBY LOCAL MPs TO PREVENT A REACCURANCE OF EVENTS REGARDING CLEARING OF LAND PRIOR TO DEVELOPING IN VIEW OF RECENT EVENTS OF LAND CLEARING IN CROSSWAYS

Cllr Smith suggested Item 7 could be utilised in this item. Cllr Smy said that any representation from the Parish Council should be sent by the Clerk on their behalf, copied to CPRE is considered necessary. Cllr Smy stated that the Parish Council should be seen as tier of local government note in conjunction with an outside agency such as the CPRE. It was agreed to lobby Jim Knight MP to enlist his support. It was also agreed that letters would be written to WDDC to request an update of the actions of the Forestry Commission. The Clerk was instructed to draft these letters.

ACTION: CLERK

ITEM 7 TO CONSIDER MEMBERSHIP TO THE CPRE (E MAIL/HARD COPY SENT 18TH SEPTEMBER REFERS)

Cllr Connor said she felt that the Parish Council should not get involved with this organisation and should remain separate as the Parish Council could find themselves funding actions they do not necessarily agree with. Cllr Rhodes agreed saying the CPRE's interests are too wide spread. Cllr (Mrs) Smith said she was in favour of membership to the CPRE stating that their experience could assist the Council.

It was proposed by Cllr Connor, seconded by Cllr Northcote that the Council do not join the CPRE. Cllr Scard abstained. The Council agreed with the proposal.

AGREED

ITEM 8 ANY LATE URGENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION Cllr Smith advised the Council that he had attempted to talk of officers at WDDC regarding the for sale signs on the Hippy Field. To date he has been unable to speak to anybody but will keep the Council advised.

There being no other business the meeting closed.

Signed (Chairman) 2007