

6 August 2008

POLICY, RESOURCES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting of the Policy, Resources and Personnel Committee held on
Wednesday 6 August 2008 at 7.00 pm in the Jubilee Hall, Fawley.

p Cllr L Dunsdon (In the Chair)
p Cllr R Lewis (Vice-Chairman)

Present:

p Cllr Mrs S Courtney
p Cllr M Fidler
p Cllr E Holtham
p Cllr Mrs K Lord
p Cllr R Wappet

Also present: Cllr Mrs M Alderman, Cllr A Glass, Cllr B Hall (until item 6), Cllr C A McDowall
(from end of item 7).

In attendance:

Mrs M A Bernard, Clerk to the Council
Mr K Lobley, Centre Manager, Gang Warily
Mrs S Markides, Clerical Assistant
6 members of the public

1. Apologies: None

2. Declarations of Interest:

Cllrs Dunsdon and Wappet declared a non-prejudicial interest in minute 5 Planning, as they are members of the New Forest Planning Committee. They stated that they would consider the applications on the evidence in front of them. Cllr Wappett also declared an interest in application 08/92715, Cllr Mrs Lord declared an interest in application 08/92554 and Cllr Dunsdon declared an interest in item 10a ii).

3. To sign the Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 June 2008.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the above meeting be signed as a correct record.

PUBLIC SESSION

Concerns regarding planning application 08/92592 were made by members of the public. Points raised included the scale of the development, which would be out of keeping with the existing properties within the close, loss of privacy, loss of open space and concerns over the narrow access point and provision of drainage. It was also stated that a tree preservation order was in place on a significant tree within the close. Letters of objection had been sent to the Parish Council and would also be sent to New Forest District Council in the near future.

4. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman informed members that the new Sports Pavilion at the QEII ground was nearing completion with remedial works to remove redundant buildings plus tidying of the grounds taking place soon. During late Aug/Sept work in the turning head outside the playing field in

Norman Road to reach the nearest electricity, gas and drainage will take place. Disruption should last no longer than 4 days and kerbs, foot paths and the verge would be reinstated to their original condition. Those residents whose property would be affected by this had been duly notified.

There had been 2 recent incidents of vandalism at Jubilee Hall and in future it was suggested that the Clerk provide information of the cost of any repairs arising from any vandalism within the parish to the Council. This information could then be posted on the parish notice boards to increase public awareness. The Police Community Support Officer was to be notified of the recent incidents.

5. Planning

a) Parish List:

08/92592

Land adjacent 12&13, The Close, Holbury, Fawley, SO45 2PG.

4 two-storey dwellings.

(4) We recommend refusal due to loss of privacy, would spoil character of and out of keeping with area, would conflict with the character and appearance of the neighbouring properties in the vicinity, possible damage to significant tree, loss of visual amenity with unacceptable level of hard surfacing being introduced to area which currently does not exist. Flooding concerns. Cllr Glass would be willing to speak at any future planning meeting where this application may be discussed.

08/92234

Land rear of The Treshams, Fawley Road, Fawley, SO45 2NB.

House.

(5) We are happy to accept the decision of the District Council's Officers under their delegated powers, subject to approval of the Highways Department.

08/92701

17 Springfield Grove, Holbury, Fawley, SO45 2LL.

Roof alterations in association with new first floor.

(5) We are happy to accept the decision reached by the District Council's Officers under their delegated powers.

08/92727

10 Sherringham Close, Fawley, SO45 3PX.

First floor rear extension.

(4) We recommend refusal due to loss of light in main living areas, closeness to boundaries creating tunnel effect resulting in a cramped and over developed site.

08/92761

Land of Mayfield, Forge Road, Langley, Fawley, SO45 1XS.

House; detached garage; access.

(No1) We recommend permission and agree with consultation briefing comments made regarding poor design but would accept the decision reached by the District Council's Officers.

Councillor Mrs K Lord left the meeting.

08/92554

119 Long Lane, Holbury, Fawley, SO45 2NZ.

2 condenser units.

(3) We recommend permission.

Councillor Mrs K Lord returned to the meeting.

Councillor Wappet left the meeting.

08/92715

66 Larkspur Gardens, Holbury, Fawley, SO45 2QH.

Single-storey extension; conversion of garage to living accommodation; demolish existing porch.

(5) We are happy to accept the decision reached by the District Council's Officers under their delegated powers.

Councillor Wappet returned to the meeting.

b) Tree work Applications:

08/0230

34 Studley Avenue, Holbury, Southampton. SO45 2PP.

T1 Oak- Crown lift to 4m, reduce lateral branches extending towards dwelling by 2m, crown lift over highway by a max of 6m.

Support, subject to the approval of the District Council's arboriculturist.

c) Notification of Appeal.

08/92145 Land of 50 Wedgewood Close, Holbury, Fawley, SO45 2QF

House; new access.

The Council confirmed its objection to this planning application on the grounds of lack of space, over development of site and being out of character with neighbouring properties.

6. **QEII:** To receive an update report from the Centre Manager and consider recommendations for equipment.

The Centre Manager, Kevin Lobley, informed members that the building works are currently running on time and the development plan for the QEII was ahead of schedule with women's and girls football to start soon, along with the reinstatement of a cricket pitch. 74% of the cost of the unexpected drainage works was to be met by the Football Foundation. Equipment needs were discussed and members requested that local organisations be invited to the opening of the new pavilion. The Centre Manager and the Clerk were thanked for their hard work on the project.

RESOLVED: To give the Centre Manager delegated authority to proceed with the purchase of equipment for the QEII building not exceeding £8000 plus 3%.

7. **Lease of Bar at Gang Warily:** To discuss recommendations for the lower room bar lease. Members considered recommendations for bar proposal from external organisations.

RESOLVED: To advertise and invite tenders for the lease of lower room bar.

8. **Fawley Youth Trust:** To review membership of the Fawley Youth Trust, for establishment as a registered charity. Members were informed of the Charity Commission recommendation that the Council as a whole become the Fawley Youth Trust.

RESOLVED: To complete application for the Council to become Fawley Youth Trust as a corporate body. A working party to consist of Councillors Dunsdon, Glass, Lewis, Lord, McDowall and Read be formed, to oversee the Youth Worker and report to the Trust.

9. Monthly Schedule of Payments: May and Jun 2008.

RESOLVED: To accept the schedule of payments. See appendices A & B attached.

10. Correspondence:

a) For response:

i) John Lawson's Circus: Request for return visit to Fawley next spring.

RESOLVED: To agree in principle, to request for a return visit by John Lawson's circus next spring -the Centre Manager to attend to booking.

ii) Blackfield Primary School: Request for raffle prize or stall prize for the Winter Fayre to be held on 29 November 2008.

RESOLVED: The Centre Manager to suggest to the Parent Teacher Association that the centre have a stall at the Fayre complete with gym equipment and a competition with suitable prize running alongside.

iii) Community First, New Forest: Invitation to Voluntary Sector Forum Funding Fayre, Lyndhurst Community Centre, Tuesday 14 October 2008 10 am – 3 pm. Noted. Members requested a reminder of the event nearer the time.

iv) Society of Local Clerks National Conference 17-19 October 2008: To consider attendance of the Clerk.

RESOLVED: Agreed that the Clerk attend using early booking discount.

b) For notification:

i) New Forest District Council/Test Valley: Notification of resurfacing concrete area adjacent to slipway Calshot Car Park.

ii) New Forest District Council: Notification of temporary road closure from 18 August 2008, A326 Long Lane Service Road, Fawley.

iii) Hardley School and Sixth Form: Letter of thanks for student work placement.

iv) Work Experience Placement: Letter of thanks from student.

c) **Available from the office on request:** Hampshire Playing Fields Association Newsletter, Public Sector & Local Government Building Magazine July/Aug 08, Environment Agency Floodnews, Summer 08.

Date of next meeting: 1 October 2008.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

.....Chairman