

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE **PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY 16 MAY AT 7.00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, PENRYN**

Councillors

C S F Smith (Chairman)

D Garwood, Mrs B Hulme, J Langan, Mrs M K May, M J Mullins and M Snowdon

68. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs M V Bennett (away), Mrs G A Grant (personal), N S Ferris (away), R P Mitchell (away), Mrs S Peters (work), G C Rickard (personal), E L Wilkes (ill).

69. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor D Garwood declared a registrable interest in agenda item 6 (Planning Applications) as he was employed by the applicant of application PA16/03323 (University Campus, Penryn). Councillor C S F Smith declared a non-registrable interest in agenda item 6 as he was an acquaintance of the applicant of application PA16/03867 (Trelawney, Truro Hill).

70. DISPENSATIONS

There were no requests for dispensations.

71. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Izzy Drury attended the meeting and spoke in objection to application no. PA16/02790 (15 Green Lane).

72. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 3 May 2016 be approved and signed by the chairman as a correct record.

Proposed by Councillor J Langan and seconded by Councillor Mrs B Hulme

73. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

PA16/02790 – 15 Green Lane

Following the previous meeting of the Planning Committee, Councillor Mary May advised that there had been a site meeting with herself, the Chairman of the Planning Committee and several residents. Unfortunately due to it being organised with short notice, no other Councillors were able to attend. Issues raised from the meeting such as close proximity to neighbouring properties had been addressed. However Councillors felt that issues with noise and parking would still occur in a predominantly residential area.

RESOLVED that the Town Council objects for the following reasons: the proposed change of use to a large HMO is inappropriate in an area of predominantly family homes and would result in an un-neighbourly development by reasons of its increased size and corresponding increase in the number of occupants which would be likely to cause unreasonable disturbance to the occupants of the neighbouring properties.

Proposed by Councillor J Langan and seconded by Councillor M Snowdon

PA16/03026 – 6 The Park, Kernick Road

Following the previous meeting of the Planning Committee, after investigating if an abuse of the planning system had occurred, the Planning Officer had advised that the removal of the trees at the property had not been a breach of the law. However the Town Clerk advised that in future applications where there were concerns regarding trees on site the Committee may want to consider requesting a Tree Protection Order (TPO) in the first instance. Councillor D Garwood raised concerns over protection of the remaining trees shown on the plan being in proximity to the proposed dwelling.

RESOLVED that the Town Council:

- (a) Objects to the application due to the close proximity of the proposed dwelling to a mature tree as shown on the plan; and
- (b) Requests that a TPO be placed on all trees remaining on the site.

PA16/03323 – University Campus, Penryn

Having declared an interest earlier in the meeting Councillor D Garwood left the meeting for the duration of the item and did not take part in the vote nor the debate. The Chairman gave an overview of the application and advised the Committee that over 30 comments objecting to the application had been submitted on Cornwall Council's website. Broadly, those objections raised issues around population increase, impact on local services such as the Penryn Surgery, traffic and parking, housing, community cohesion, council tax contributions and impact on tourism.

RESOLVED that:

- (a) The decision be deferred pending the public consultation; and
- (b) A representative from the university be requested to attend a meeting of the Planning Committee to give a detailed presentation of the application.

Following the above decision Councillor D Garwood returned to the meeting.

PA16/03867 – Trelawney, Truro Hill

Having declared an interest earlier in the meeting Councillor C S F Smith left the meeting for the duration of the item and did not take part in the vote nor the debate left the meeting and Councillor J Langan took the chair.

RESOLVED that the Town Council has no objections.

Following the above decision Councillor C S F Smith returned to the meeting.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.00pm.