

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY  
23 AUGUST 2016 AT 7.00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, PENRYN**

**Councillors**

C S F Smith (Chairman)

D Garwood, J Langan, R P Mitchell, M J Mullins, Mrs S Peters

**94. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Mrs M V Bennett (away), N S Ferris (away), Mrs G A Grant (away), G C Rickard (ill), M Snowdon (personal) and E L Wilkes (ill).

**95. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**96. DISPENSATIONS**

There were no requests for dispensations.

**97. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No requests had been received from members of the public wishing to speak at the meeting.

**98. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on Tuesday 2 August 2016 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

*Proposed by Councillor J Langan and seconded by Councillor Mrs S Peters*

**99. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

***PA16/06625 – 61 Trelowen Drive, Penryn***

**RESOLVED** that the Town Council has no objections.

*Proposed by Councillor M J Mullins and seconded by Councillor J Langan*

***PA16/05473 – 1 Dunstan Close, Penryn***

**RESOLVED** that the Town Council has no objections.

*Proposed by Councillor J Langan and seconded by Councillor Mrs S Peters*

***PA16/06950 – Land to the rear of 6A/6B West End, Penryn***

It was commented that the use of natural slate as cladding on the first floor walls would be more appropriate in the Conservation Area than fibre weather boarding.

**RESOLVED** that the Town Council has no objections subject to the use of natural slate cladding on the first floor walls.

*Proposed by Councillor Mrs S Peters and seconded by Councillor R P Mitchell*

**PA16/07412 – 33 Bohill, Penryn**

**RESOLVED** that the application be fully supported.

*Proposed by Councillor J Langan and seconded by Councillor Mrs S Peters*

**PA16/07414 – Land north of 3 The Square, Penryn**

The Town Clerk advised that Cornwall Council was only seeking the Town Council's opinion on the principle of development on the site and the proposed access at this outline stage, however, she added that since indicative plans of the proposed development had been included with the outline application, the Committee may also wish to comment on the proposed design.

**RESOLVED** that the Town Council has no objections to the principle of development on the site, but objects to the current outline application due to the lack of vehicular access and provision for parking, which should be a minimum of two spaces per dwelling. Whilst not part of the outline application, the Town Council would like it to be noted that the indicative design is inappropriate within the Conservation Area and would have a detrimental impact on the setting of nearby listed buildings.

*Proposed by Councillor Mrs S Peters and seconded by Councillor R P Mitchell*

**100. DECISION NOTICES**

The list of decision notices was noted.

**101. PUBLIC SPEAKING AT PLANNING COMMITTEES**

The Committee considered a draft revised Protocol for Public Speaking at Council Meetings with particular emphasis on the protocol relating to Planning Committee meetings.

It was commented that whilst it was desirable that members of the public who wished to raise an objection or give support to an application should also make that view known to the local planning authority, the Committee did not feel it should be a requirement in order to speak at a meeting of the Planning Committee.

Concerns were also raised that there may be occasions where there is a need to extend the time for pre-planning presentations, however, it was also acknowledged that it was prudent to have a time limit to retain control over the length of the meeting.

It was further suggested that the order of public speaking should allow objectors the opportunity to address statements made by the applicant and/or their agent as there was no right of appeal for objectors once an application had been decided.

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL** that the draft revised Protocol for Public Speaking at Council Meetings, attached as Appendix 2 to the report, be recommended to Council for approval, subject to the following amendments to the procedures for public speaking at meetings of the Planning Committee:

Paragraph 3 to read: 'Members of the public who wish to speak on applications are encouraged to submit comments on the application to the local planning authority, Cornwall Council.'

Paragraph 8 to read: 'A maximum time of 20 minutes will be allowed for a presentation and may be followed by questions from Councillors for clarification. In exceptional circumstances, the Chairman may use his discretion to allow further time.'

Paragraph 12 to read: 'Public speaking on planning applications will be taken in the order of the agenda with the individual speakers in the following order:

- (i) Applicant and/or agent
- (ii) Speaker(s) in support
- (iii) Speaker(s) against.

*Proposed by Councillor Mrs S Peters and seconded by Councillor J Langan*

## **102. LOCAL COUNCIL PROTOCOL**

**RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL** that the draft Planning Protocol, attached as Appendix 2 to the report, be adopted.

*Proposed by Councillor J Langan and seconded by Councillor C S F Smith*

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 8.25pm.