Minutes of a Meeting of the <u>PLANNING AND</u> <u>CONSULTATION COMMITTEE</u> held at the Town Hall, Swanage on <u>MONDAY 1st OCTOBER 2018</u> at **6.30 p.m**.

Chair: -

Councillor A Harris Swanage Town Council

Present: -

Councillor M Bonfield Swanage Town Council
Councillor G Green Swanage Town Council
Councillor T Morris Swanage Town Council
Councillor S Poultney Swanage Town Council
Councillor M Whitwam Swanage Town Council

Also in attendance: -

Councillor W Trite Swanage Town Council

Miss N Clark Acting Administration & Communications Manager

Mr D Gerry The Purbeck Society
Mrs J Sutcliffe The Purbeck Society

There were four members of the public present at the meeting.

Prior to commencement of the meeting, a presentation was given by representatives from The Purbeck Society on its Local Listing Project, which was progressing well. The presentation was followed by a 'Q & A' session. Comments were made that the information being collated by the Purbeck Society could potentially be used to inform a future review of the Swanage Local Plan.

The Committee gave thanks and appreciation to the Purbeck Society, and to Mr Gerry and Mrs Sutcliffe for the informative presentation.

The meeting commenced at 6.40 p.m.

Public Participation Time

There were no matters raised.

1) Apologies

An apology for her inability to attend the Meeting was received from Councillor Lejeune.

2) <u>Declarations of Interest</u>

Members were invited to declare their interests and consider any requests for Grants of Dispensations in accordance with paragraphs 9 - 13 of the Council's Code of Conduct and regulations made under chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011.

Planning application Nos. 6/2018/0487 Hillcrest, 8 Durlston Road, Swanage, BH19 2DL, and 6/2018/0495 1 St Vasts Road, Swanage, BH19 2BN – Councillor Whitwam declared a non-pecuniary interest under the Code of Conduct by reason of being a Member of Purbeck District Council's Planning Committee. It was deemed possible that the applications would be considered at a future Planning Committee Meeting.

There were no further declarations to record on this occasion.

Planning

3) Plans for consideration

Delegated Applications

6/2018/0467 Retrospective

Plot 244, Swanage Bay View Holiday Park, Panorama Road, Swanage, BH19 2QT

Erect decking (Retrospective).

Darwin (Swanage Bay View) Limited

OBSERVATION: No comment. Concerns previously raised by the Committee in relation to potential fire risks, and associated hazards, that such a sizeable number of UPVC and wooden structures in close proximity to one another could have in Swanage Bay View Holiday Park.

A query was raised as to why such a large number of 'retrospective' applications are submitted, and officers were requested to seek advice from the District Council regarding this matter.

6/2018/0481 The Annexe, Woodlands Residential Home, 8 Cecil Road, Swanage, BH19 1JJ

Erect a porch conservatory.

Mr Rawes

OBSERVATION: No objection.

6/2018/0482 Badgers Run, 7 Ballard Estate, Swanage, BH19 1QZ

Demolition of existing single storey dwelling, and erection of new single storey dwelling and summerhouse.

Mr & Mrs Steele

OBSERVATION: No objection, subject to adherence to the District Engineer's Report.

6/2018/0485 **82 Priests Road, Swanage, BH19 2RP**

Erect two storey rear extension, with Juliet balconies on the first floor, ground floor terrace, and replacement hipped roof garage.

Mr Gaskell

OBSERVATION: No objection, subject to no overlooking/mitigation of neighbours' concerns regarding overlooking and loss of privacy.

6/2018/0487 Hillcrest, 8 Durlston Road, Swanage, BH19 2DL

Sever land and erect four 3 bedroom town houses with parking, and two car ports.

ARC Architects

OBSERVATION: The Committee has no objection in principle to development of the site for new homes. However, concerns are expressed in relation to the following aspects of the proposal:

- Concerns regarding the continued loss of character and traditional historic detail in the town through redevelopment, namely the existing Purbeck Stone boundary walls in Durlston Road and Purbeck Terrace Road which are of traditional construction. The Committee would wish to see the walls retained as part of any approved scheme.
- Building design, visual appearance, and finishing materials, which are considered to be out of keeping with the street scene, and could

have a potential detrimental impact on visual amenity and the character of the area – Members expressed disappointment regarding the uninspiring 'mock tudor' design of the new dwellings. The property is an 'area of distinctive local character', designated under policy STCD of the Swanage Local Plan (see page 54). The policy states: 'This area is characterised by predominantly detached houses set within generous plots defined by established boundary planting and walls. New development should not adversely affect the existing character of this area'.

• Members also wish it to be noted that the supporting paperwork incorrectly states that the property is situated at 7 Durlston Road, when it is in fact 8 Durlston Road.

* 6/2018/0490

18 Anglebury Avenue, Swanage, BH19 1QP

Demolish existing extension and erect a new single storey side extension. Convert loft to form additional bedroom, including insertion of roof lights, and enlarge gable window. Create two ground floor bay windows on front elevation.

Mr & Mrs Rowe

OBSERVATION: No objection.

6/2018/0494

Listed Building Consent

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Former St Marys School, Manor Road, Swanage, BH19 2BH

Demolition of raised water tank, and restoration of the summerhouse. Bracken Developments Ltd, The Union of the Sisters of Mercy Trustees & The Purbeck House Hotel Swanage Ltd

OBSERVATION: No objection. However, concerns are raised regarding the continued loss of character and traditional historic detail in the town through redevelopment, namely the Purbeck Stone walls and their setting within the Swanage Conservation Area, the Committee would wish to see any historic/inscripted stones retained and reused in any approved scheme, where possible.

6/2018/0495

1 St Vasts Road, Swanage, BH19 2BN

Variation of Condition 2 of planning permission 6/2017/0655 (Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of eight unit residential building, with associated access and parking) to amend the design of the lower ground floor plan, removal of two chimney stacks, and alter additional ground level brickwork on north west elevation.

Nylo Homes Ltd

OBSERVATION: Recommend refusal to the removal of the two chimney stacks (which is not in accordance with the Design and Conservation Officer's recommendations in his report dated 11th December 2017 and email dated 3rd January 2018), and to the loss of a parking space. The Committee feels that there is a lack of information available regarding the alterations to the ground level brickwork on the north west elevation for it to comment on this aspect of the variation.

6/2018/0502

5 Bishops Row, Court Road, Swanage, BH19 1JE

Single storey side extension.

Mr & Mrs Creed

OBSERVATION: No objection.

6/2018/0519 York Cottage, Russell Avenue, Swanage, BH19 2ED

Demolish existing garage and erect a new garage.

Mr Petrie

OBSERVATION: No objection.

Please note:

- # The Town Council is the owner of land included within, or directly affected by, applications marked #.
- * The Town Council is Corporate Trustee of the De Moulham Trust, which holds the benefit of covenants in the properties that are the subject of applications marked *

4) Applications for tree works - opportunity to raise any matters of concern

There were no matters raised.

Consultation

5) To note receipt of the following consultation document, and to determine the Council's preferred method of response, if any:

a) Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government – Consultation on the 'A new deal for social housing' Green Paper

Further to Minute No. 5 d) of the Planning and Consultation Committee Meeting held on 10th September 2018, it was reported that the District Council (PDC) would not be submitting a response to the 'A new deal for social housing' green paper.

A discussion ensued during which the Chair confirmed that she would be willing to review the consultation questions in greater detail and draft a response to the questions using the Committee's observations and comments made, which would be circulated to Members for review prior to submission to the Ministry of Housing. Members commented that the proposals did not adequately address the issues raised, in particular concerns regarding the effect on the housing market of second homes, and reference was made to a policy in the St Ives Neighbourhood Plan which prohibited new dwellings being used as holiday homes.

It was therefore proposed by Councillor Bonfield, seconded by Councillor Green, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:

That the Chair drafts a response to the consultation on the 'A new deal for social housing' green paper, and sends a copy of the completed questionnaire to all Committee Members prior to its submission to give Members the opportunity to make any amendments if necessary.

At 7.45 p.m. the Chair invoked Standing Order No.1 p. to briefly suspend the meeting so as to allow a member of the public to address the Committee, and ask questions regarding/relevant to Agenda Item 5 b).

b) Government Shale Gas Exploration and Production Planning Public Consultations

i) Permitted development for shale gas exploration

It was reported that the government had expressed the intention to make exploratory shale gas well pads a permitted development right, removing the requirement for planning permission, and to bring shale gas production into the National Strategic Infrastructure Project regime.

A discussion ensued during which Committee Members were in agreement that companies should not be given permitted development rights for shale gas

exploration, that local knowledge would be key in the decision making process for such applications, and that companies should apply to the local authority concerned for approval.

It was therefore proposed by Councillor Bonfield, seconded by Councillor Green, and RESOLVED UNANIMOUSLY:

That a response be submitted conveying the Committee's views as summarised above.

ii) Inclusion of shale gas production projects in the Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) regime

Committee Members had reviewed the document, and a brief discussion ensued regarding its content, which was considered to be of a technical nature. Members commented that they did not have sufficient specialist knowledge of this subject, and therefore wished it to be noted that the consultation document had been reviewed and appropriately discussed, and had no further comments to make.

At 8.05 p.m. the Chair invoked Standing Order No.1 p. to briefly suspend the meeting so as to allow a member of the public to address the Committee regarding a recent planning appeal.

6) Items of Information and Matters for Forthcoming Agendas

a) Swanage-Bournemouth Motor Road & Ferry Company Toll Review Application – Public Inquiry 25th and 26th September 2018 – further to Minute No. 6 c) of the Planning and Consultation Committee Meeting held on 10th September 2018, Councillor Whitwam reported that he had attended the Public Inquiry, along with the Town Clerk, and gave a brief update on proceedings. The Inspector's report/decision was now awaited.

7) <u>Date of next Meeting</u>

The date of the next meeting had been scheduled for Monday 5th November 2018 at 6.30 p.m.

The meeting closed at 8.15 p.m.