

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning & Townscape Committee  
held at the Town Hall, Rye on Monday 22 June 2009**

**PRESENT** Councillors John Breeds (Deputy Mayor), Bernardine Fiddimore, Jo Kirkham, Paul Osborne, Frank Palmer (**Committee Chairman**), Shaun Rogers, Sam Souster (Mayor), David Wright (**Committee Vice Chairman**)

**IN ATTENDANCE** Richard Farhall – Town Clerk; Cllr Mary Smith;  
3 members of the public

*The meeting commenced at 8.47pm*

**12 APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies for absence.

**13 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Cllr John Breeds *prejudicial* **item 17** Home backs on to the proposed development

Cllr Sam Souster *personal* **item 17** Lives in Udimore Rd but has no view of site

*The Committee Chairman adjourned the meeting for public questions.*

*RR/2009/1206P & RR/2009/1207/L Keith Taylor had no objection to the plans for the main building but was concerned about the proposal for the large storage room – particularly the narrow access and future development intentions. Neighbours had not been consulted on the profound changes proposed.*

*The meeting reconvened.*

**14 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Planning and Townscape meeting of 8 June 2009 (PT02) were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**15 MATTERS ARISING**

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*6 Landgate Tower: LGVs (assessing width/height signage) The Clerk reminded Members that a site meeting would be taking place at 11am on 24 June.*

**16 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**RESOLVED** That the comments following be submitted to the Planning Authority:

**RR/2009/1259/P** 40 Cadborough Cliff, Rye  
(Del) Ground and first floor extension to provide living room and additional bedroom and conservatory.  
SUPPORT APPROVAL

*Cllr Kirkham declared a personal interest in the two items following by virtue of being the Chairman of Rye Castle Museum Association, which has premises backing on to 100 High Street.*

**RR/2009/1206/P** 100 High Street, Rye  
**RR/2009/1207/L** Change of use of outbuilding from B8 to A1 use, with partial demolition and alterations.  
SUPPORT REFUSAL Overdevelopment, insufficient information, inaccurate information (eg ownership of access gate).

*Cllr John Breeds re-stated his prejudicial interest in the item following, reiterated his opposition to development on the site, and left the Chamber.*

**17 STREET NAMING**

Members were invited to consider an invitation from the developer of the land north of Udimore Road to suggest a road name for the new development (known currently as Valley Park). It was noted that normally such a request would be made by RDC which has a statutory duty to name streets.

**RESOLVED To advise the developer that RTC would prefer to await an invitation from RDC. Clerk**

*Cllr Breeds returned to the Chamber.*

**18 SHARED SPACES**

The committee considered a request from Richard Comotto on behalf of the Winchelsea Local Action Plan for RTC to consider contributing £200 towards the cost of Ben Hamilton-Baillie giving a public talk in Winchelsea on shared spaces.

The ensuing discussion included the points comments following: the reference to 'Strand Quay' as a possible suitable site in Rye for the concept to be applied should, in all likelihood, read 'The Strand' (primarily the junction with Mermaid Street/The Mint); ESCC had given a presentation on this subject at the 2009 Rother Annual Parish Conference; on 8 July RALC would be asked for a contribution of £300; there are mixed views on such schemes; the request should have come via Icklesham PC; how may seats at the talk would a contribution from RTC secure?; vulnerable and confused people can find the absence of differentiation between pedestrian and vehicle space frightening; there would appear to a few suitable area in Rye and identifying the necessary funding would be problematic.

**RESOLVED Not to recommend that a contribution be made. Clerk**

*The meeting ended at 6.47pm*

Date.....

Chairman.....