

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning & Townscape Committee  
held at the Town Hall, Rye on Monday 11 October 2010**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE** Richard Farhall - Town Clerk; 2 members of the public

*The meeting commenced at 6.31pm*

**63 APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies for absence.

**64 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Cllr John Breeds	<i>personal</i>	<b>RR/2010/2089/A</b>	Lives adjacent to the development
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Cllr Paul Osborne	<i>prejudicial</i>	<b>RR/2010/2089/A</b>	Udimore Road resident
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*The meeting was adjourned for questions/comments from members of the public.*

*Item 68* John Izod recalled that around 2 years ago the Council had resolved to support a 'Dungeness C'. He suggested this would need to be taken into account when considering the proposed changes to the Special Protection Area.

*The meeting reconvened.*

**65 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Planning and Townscape meeting of 27 September 2010 (PT10) were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**66 MATTERS ARISING**

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*PQT - Landgate Tower* The Clerk advised that he was still waiting for the Chamber, HotCats, Rye Conservation Society, RDCT and Sussex Police to respond with their official view on the proposed re-signing scheme. He was attempting to arrange a meeting with John Bragge and the appropriate Highways Officer to discuss fixing a suitable new sign to Mr Bragge's premises.

6.38 Cllr Jonathan Breeds arrived

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47 Matters Arising, 12 River Tillingham – adjacent planting (requesting that the area be returned to grass) Actioned – still no response.

47 Matters Arising, 19 Post box, top of Udimore Road (reinstatement)  
Jenners had re-installed the box immediately after the recent public meeting on flood risk, after having been tackled by residents following the meeting. Cllr Osborne advised that, shortly after, Jenners had removed it again to allow for ground works and it was now 'stored' temporarily nearby and was inaccessible to both the public and Royal Mail.

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60 'Valley Park' (RTC comments on the revised proposed street names to RDC) Actioned – the developer had stated that it had no objection to RTC's amendments.

The Clerk to check that RDC had been advised that RTC prefers 'Vidler Square' to 'Blake Circus' – rather than 'Vilder Square' (as recorded incorrectly in the Minutes).

61 Town Hall Cottage – installation of mini satellite dish (seeking informal advice from the Planning Authority) Outstanding.

62 Special Protection Area & New Ramsar site (Cllrs Fiddimore and Palmer reviewing the documentation) See main agenda item - 68

67 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

*Cllr John Breeds re-stated his personal interest in the application following:*

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| <b>RR/2010/2089/A</b><br>(Del) | Land fronting Udimore Road and to the rear of 39-129 Udimore Road, the Old Brickyard and 69-83 Cooper Road<br>2 externally illuminated timber framed painted columns with timber sign written boards.<br><i>Applicant: Aroncorp, Kings Close, Islington Road, Bentley, Hants</i><br>SUPPORT APPROVAL Subject to no illumination. |
| <b>RR/2010/2132/L</b><br>(Del) | 2 Church Square, Rye<br>Re-positioning existing staircase.<br><i>Applicant: Mr &amp; Mrs J E Flynn, 4 Market Street, Rye</i><br>SUPPORT APPROVAL   |

RR/2010/2164/T  
(Del)

20 Watchbell Street, Rye  
1 semi-mature oak standing alone in the rear garden. A 15% crown reduction is being requested. The reduction is intended primarily to balance the shape of the tree with particular interest being paid to the northern and western side of the tree.

*Applicant: Dr Fanny Baldwin, 20 Watchbell Street, Rye*  
SUPPORT APPROVAL

**68 SPECIAL PROTECTION AREA & NEW RAMSAR SITE**

Members were invited to consider whether to respond to an invitation from Natural England to comment on changes to the Dungeness, Romney Marsh & Rye Bay SPA and proposed creation of a new Ramsar site (*deadline: 13 December 2010.*)

It was noted that Cllr Fiddimore had not received her copy of the consultation documentation and had had no opportunity to review it [*she would collect a copy from the office in the morning*].

Cllr Palmer reminded Members that he had advised previously that although the Rye Harbour Nature Reserve Manager, Dr Barry Yates was enthusiastic about the proposals, the Harbour Master was concerned that their implementation could restrict the development of Rye Wharf. Since then he understood that the Harbour Master had met with Natural England and he was now largely happy with the proposals – which would strengthen those areas that were already protected.

**RESOLVED To defer further consideration of this matter until Cllr Fiddimore had viewed the consultation documentation.**

*The meeting ended at 6.56pm.*

Date.....

Chairman.....