

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning & Townscape Committee
held at the Town Hall, Rye on Monday 12 December 2011**

PRESENT Councillors Gemma Blumire, John Breeds (Mayor), Mike Eve, Bernardine Fiddimore, Heidi Foster, Sonia Holmes, Jo Kirkham, Shaun Rogers (Deputy Mayor), Adam Smith (**Committee Chairman**)

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

The meeting commenced at 8.12pm.

87 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence – and the reasons lodged with the Clerk – were accepted from Cllrs Nigel Jennings (Committee Vice Chairman) and Sam Souster.

88 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest at this point.

The meeting was adjourned for question/comments from the public. The Chairman advised John Izod that he would be minded to recommend that Mr Izod be permitted to speak on RR/2011/2257/P and RR/2011/2258/L at item 91.

The meeting reconvened.

89 MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Planning and Townscape meeting of 28 November 2011 (PT13) be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

90 MATTERS ARISING

The Clerk advised that Cllr Fiddimore had drafted a report on the meeting with ESCC ROW at the Old Brickyard on 5 December and that he was intending to place it on the next agenda (meeting of 19 December).

91 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED To submit the comments following to the Planning Authority:

The Mayor declared a prejudicial interest in the two applications relating to 19 Landgate because he is acquainted with the applicant and has a financial interest in a similar business in the town.

Prior to leaving the Chamber – and in accordance with the Code of Conduct - he made the statement following: a pub had been operated from the premises for hundreds of years and it was believed this was the longest period of continual use of any licensed premise in Rye.

RR/2011/2257/P 19 Landgate, Rye
RR/2011/2258/L Conversion of an existing public house and restaurant
(Del) with rooms to let, B&B and landlord accommodation, to four cottages, one holiday cottage and commercial accommodation retaining the external appearance and character of the Grade II Listed building.
Applicant: Mrs Murray, Bullands, Smarden
SUPPORT APPROVAL Subject to the development being carried out sympathetically.

The Mayor returned to the Chamber.

RR/2011/2319/L 100 High Street, Rye
(Del) Replacement shop sign.
Applicant: Mr Welland Lister, c/o Richard Lomas, St James Court, Brown Street, Manchester
PROPOSAL That the application be recommended for refusal on the grounds that the existing Ashbee sign is of historic significance and is an aesthetically-pleasing aspect of the streetscape.
Recorded vote
For Cllrs John Breeds, Holmes, Foster, Kirkham, Rogers, Blumire and Fiddimore.
Ag Cllr Eve
Abst Cllr Adam Smith
Carried

RR/2011/2454/C Rye MUGA, Rye College, Love Lane, Rye
(ESCC) Variation of condition 2 attached to consent RR/2866/CC to extend hours of operation of MUGA until 22.00 hours Mon-Fri, 20.00 hours on Saturday and 19.00 on Sundays and Bank Holidays.
Applicant: ESCC Children's Services, County Hall. St Anne's Crescent, Lewes
SUPPORT APPROVAL

92 'A' BOARDS

Members considered an email from ESCC's Licensing & Enforcement Manager, Paul Lown advising that he had no records of 'A' boards having been licensed in Rye during the previous 11 years.

RESOLVED To ask business premises with 'A' boards to ensure that boards on the public highway are licensed, insured and positioned so as not to impede footway users. Clerk

The meeting ended at 8.47pm.

Date.....

Chairman.....