

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning & Townscape Committee held at the Town Hall, Rye on Monday 31 October 2011

PRESENT Councillors Gemma Blumire, John Breeds (Mayor), Mike Eve, Bernardine Fiddimore, Heidi Foster, Sonia Holmes, Nigel Jennings (**Committee Vice Chairman**), Shaun Rogers (Deputy Mayor), Adam Smith (**Committee Chairman**), Sam Souster

IN ATTENDANCE Richard Farhall – Town Clerk; Andy Hemsley – Rye Observer, 3 members of the public

The meeting commenced at 6.30pm

69 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence – and the reason lodged with the Clerk – were accepted from Cllr Jo Kirkham.

70 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

John Breeds	<i>personal</i>	RR/2011/1987/P	Acquainted with applicant
Shaun Rogers	<i>personal</i>	RR/2011/2109/P	Enquired about purchasing the site

There were no questions/comments from the members of the public present.

71 MINUTES

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Planning and Townscape meeting of 17 October 2011 (PT10) be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

72 MATTERS ARISING

Page 2, 68 South Undercliff – Traffic Congestion, Resolution (asking the Highways Agency to extend the parking prohibition to include Sunday)
Actioned.

73 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED To submit the comments following to the Planning

Authority:

RR/2011/1987/P 68 The Mint, Rye
(Del) Change of use of guesthouse to a single residential dwelling.

Applicant: Simmons of Rye Guesthouse, Mr Spreckley, 68-69 The Mint, Rye
SUPPORT APPROVAL

6.38 Cllr Blumire arrived

- RR/2011/2057/P**
(Del) 56 Military Road, Rye
Single storey rear extension and loft conversion.
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Hutley, 56 Military Road, Rye
SUPPORT APPROVAL
- RR/2011/2059/P**
(Del) Winchelsea Road – land at, Rye
Change of use from disused hard standing and storage shed to proposed car wash. Proposal includes reinstating doors to storage shed and changes to fence enclosing site.
Applicant: Mr D Ali, 15 Norcross Close, Hastings
SUPPORT REFUSAL The development would give rise to an increase in vehicular traffic at a hazardous junction.
- RR/2011/1834/HS**
(Del) Rye Wharf & Storage, Rye Harbour Road [Icklesham Parish]
Storage of ammonium nitrate.
Applicant: Michael Thompson, Lindsey House, Hemswell Cliff, Gainsborough, Lincs
NO COMMENT
- RR/2011/2010/P**
(Del) Rope Walk Arcade, Rope Walk, Rye
Installation of solar panels on SE facing roof.
Applicant: David & Rick Waters, Rope Walk Arcade
SUPPORT APPROVAL
- RR/2011/2109/P**
(Del) 4 Udimore Road, Rye
Development of former garden nursery to provide 4 new 2-bedroom homes and associated parking and access.
Applicant: Westoak Homes, Oakley House, Tonbridge Road, East Peckham
SUPPORT APPROVAL
- RR/2011/2138/P**
(Del) Tollgate Lock, New Winchelsea Road, Rye
Relocation of palisade fence and widening of tarmac driveway.
Applicant: Mr A Strudwick, c/o Andrew Gerken, Pump House Yard, The Green, Sedlescombe
SUPPORT APPROVAL

74 'A' BOARDS AND STREET FURNITURE

Members were invited to consider the results of an informal survey of 'A' boards and street furniture undertaken by Cllrs Fiddimore and Foster and – to agree a course of action.

Comments made during the ensuring discussion included: most 'A' boards are not causing an obstruction; some boards are causing a serious obstruction – for example, outside the Kettle O' Fish and Cinque Ports Hotel; it is difficult to determine whether boards on the public highway are licensed; some establishments are trading on the highway; some boards may be on

private land; those with boards should be encouraged to ensure they are not obstructing the highway and to obtain a licence; should those trading on the highway pay a higher business rate?

RESOLVED 1 Prior to approaching establishments with 'A' boards asking them to position boards appropriately: to contact the Highways Authority to establish which boards are licensed.

Clerk

RESOLVED 2 To seek advice on trading on the public highway before pursuing the matter with the establishments concerned.

Clerk

The meeting ended at 7.11pm.

Date.....

Chairman.....