

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning & Townscape Committee held via Zoom on Tuesday 6 April 2021

PRESENT Councillors David Bookless, Mike Boyd, Cheryl Creaser (**Committee Chairman**), Rebekah Gilbert (Mayor – Speaker of the Cinque Ports), Chris Hoggart, Andi Rivett (Deputy Mayor), Andy Stuart

IN ATTENDANCE Richard Farhall – Town Clerk (Host); Cllr Bernardine Fiddimore; Colonel Anthony Kimber – RNP Co-ordinator

The meeting commenced at 6.52pm.

64 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence – and the reasons as lodged with the Clerk – were accepted from Cllrs Pat Hughes and Sam Wood.

65 CODE OF CONDUCT: DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest – nor requests for dispensation.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting for public questions/contributions.

There was none and so the meeting reconvened.

66 MINUTES

RESOLVED To approve the Minutes of the Planning and Townscape meeting held on 22 March 2021 (PT11).

60 MATTERS ARISING

Item	Status
Gilfrin Jewellers (side) - exploring the implications of RTC applying for advertising consent (community banners)	Outstanding – Confirm support of Gilfrin Jewellers and apply for advertising consent.
Obtain costings to improve signage to the town centre within Gibbet Marsh Car Park	Ongoing – forms part of the work of the Parking Strategy Review Group
Asking RDC to consider removing the Gibbet Marsh Car Parking charges – or introducing a discounted scheme for traders and residents	Ongoing – forms part of the work of the Parking Strategy Review Group
Asking RDC to add a note to its planning web site explaining how two plans might be viewed simultaneously.	Outstanding
Planning applications – inadequate validation (making representations)	Outstanding
Tilling Green Community Land Trust – exploring	Discussions with the Rye Partnership on the provision of affordable/social housing on the former school playing field are ongoing.
Rock Channel – inviting the developer’s architects to attend a Council meeting.	Actioned – response awaited.

'Levelling Up' Funding – notifying RDC of RTC's interest.	RDC had advised that it is seeking to establish with MHLG what the funding can be used for. There is an expectation that the initial allocation of £125,000 can be used to 'lever down' further funding – and this is being explored with Sally-Ann Hart and Hew Merriman in late April. RDC would consider whether a proportion could be allocated to the Landgate Arch and had undertaken to consult with parishes regarding its spending plans.
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68 RYE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Colonel Kimber reported that there had been discussion on social media concerning Rye's Strategic Gap – 'protected' in both the RNP and DaSA. The proliferation of signs and locked gates attributable to Martello Developments had been mentioned.

Colonel Kimber would send the Clerk a Strategic Gap briefing paper for distribution to Members.
Col Kimber

69 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

RESOLVED To submit the comments below to the Local Planning Authority:

RR/2021/455/PN2 Rye College Complex, Rye College, Love Lane, Rye TN31 7NQ
Installation of roof mounted solar PV panels with a system capacity of 118kWp – including all associated ancillary infrastructure.
COMMENT Insufficient detail to take an informed view.

RR/2021/286/P 34 Church Square, Rye TN31 7HE
RR/2021/287/L Removal of unauthorised works, formation of family bathroom and new separate access to bedroom 1, remodelling of modern flat roof dormer to a traditional hipped dormer.
SUPPORT APPROVAL

RR/2021/324/P 13 Military Road, Bethel Chapel, Rye TN31 7NX
RR/2021/323/L Proposed conversion of former chapel to single residential dwelling, including replacement of existing single storey rear extensions. Brick outer facing to rear extensions constructed off of shared boundary wall with adjacent Listed building as per existing.
SUPPORT APPROVAL

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.16pm.

Date

Chairman