

Northam Town Council – Minutes of the Planning Meeting held 2nd March 2023 at 6.30 pm in the Council Chamber, Windmill Lane, Northam.

Present: Cllrs Davis (Chairman), Mrs Hodson, Miss Manley, Newman-McKie and Tisdale.

In attendance: Guy Langton – Deputy Town Clerk
One member of the public.

2303/958 Apologies

Apologies were recorded on behalf of Cllrs Laws and Sargent.

2303/959 Chairmans Announcements:

The Chairman made no announcements.

2303/960 To agree the agenda as published

It was **resolved** to agree the agenda as published.

Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded Cllr Miss Manley (all in favour).

2303/961 Declarations of interest:

Members were reminded that all interests should be declared prior to the item being discussed.

2303/962 To confirm and sign previous planning committee meeting minutes.

It was **resolved** to confirm and sign the minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held 16th February 2023.

Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded: Cllr Newman-McKie (all in favour).

2303/963 Public Participation

Members of the public are permitted to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Each member of the public is entitled to speak once only in respect of business itemised on the agenda and shall not speak for more than 4 minutes. The period of time which is designated for public participation in accordance with standing orders shall not exceed 20 minutes.

The member of the public addressed the committee on the street naming at item 2303/965. In his view, the name should reflect the history of the area and he provided the committee with options and the reasons these may or may not prove acceptable to the District Council.

2303/964 To receive an update following the request from *everything is somewhere* to meet with the Council.

The Deputy Town Clerk reported that the owners of Richmond Dock and their agents would attend a meeting with the Planning Committee on the 16th March 2023, to start at 6.30pm and last no more than 40minutes. This allowed the scheduled planning committee to start immediately after, at 7.15pm.

It was noted that the meeting would be held in line with the Council's protocol, so be open to the public as observers.

It was agreed that should the public want specific questions to be asked, they do this by contacting their ward member in advance of the meeting.

Action: Deputy Town Clerk to publicise the meeting.

2303/965 To consider the name of a new street in Northam (TDC Planning Reference: 1/0064/2020/REM)

After considering the possible names provided by members, the member of the public and from the District Council, it was **resolved** to suggest the road be named 'Bramley Close' in recognition of its previous use as a Bramley apple orchard. Proposed Cllr Miss Manley, Seconded: Cllr Mrs Hodson (all in favour).

2303/966 Torrridge District Council Planning Applications:

Torrridge District Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from the Town Council on the following Parish planning applications:

- i) **1/0131/2023/FUL** Applicant: Mr Bushby
 Location: 36 Fairlea Crescent, Northam, Bideford, Devon
 Response date: 5th March 2023
 Proposal: Erection of front garden wall and gate
 It was **resolved** to recommend the proposal be approved.
 Proposed: Cllr Davis, Seconded: Cllr Newman-McKie (all in favour).
- ii) **1/0124/2023/FUL** Applicant: SDT Consultancy Ltd
 Location: Development Plot, Land At Grid Reference 244769 129162, Lakenham Hill, Northam
 Response date: 9th March 2023
 Proposal: Proposed dwelling
 (Variation of condition 2 of Planning Approval 1/0649/2020/FUL)
 (Variation of condition 1 of Planning Approval 1/0538/2022/FUL)
 It was **resolved** to recommend the proposal be approved.
 Proposed: Cllr Newman-McKie, Seconded: Cllr Tisdale Hames (all in favour).
- iii) **1/1164/2022/FUL (re-consultation)** Applicant: The Northam Care Trust
 Location: Northam Lodge, Heywood Road, Northam, Bideford
 Response date: 9th March 2023
 Proposal: Erection of training hub room (Amended Location Plan)
 It was **resolved** to recommend the proposal be approved.
 Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded: Cllr Davis (majority in favour).
- iv) **1/0153/2023/FUL** Applicant: Mr McEldon
 Location: Koversada, Diddywell Road, Appledore, Bideford
 Response date: 16th March 2023
 Proposal: Erection of detached dwelling and detached garage
 (Variation of condition 2 of Planning Application 1/0271/2022/FUL)
 It was **resolved** to note the proposal, making no further comments.
 Proposed: Cllr Mrs Hodson, Seconded: Cllr Tisdale (all in favour).

2303/967 Torrridge District Council Planning Decisions

It was noted that Torrridge District Council, the determining Authority, had **granted permission** for the following applications.

- i) **1/1261/2022/FUL**
 Proposal: Conversion of existing outbuilding to dwelling (Removal of condition 3 of permission 1/1192/2007/FUL)
 Location: Buck House, Chircombe Lane, Northam, Bideford
 (Northam recommended this proposal be refused permission)

- ii) **1/1114/2022/FUL**
 Proposal: Proposed single storey extension & erection of double garage
 Location: 11 Cornborough Road, Westward Ho!, Bideford, Devon
 (Northam recommended this proposal be granted permission)

- iii) **1/1225/2022/FUL**
 Proposal: Demolition of single storey extension and erection of two storey side extension and alterations
 Location: Merlewood , Southwood Drive, Bideford, Devon
 (Northam recommended this proposal be refused permission)

- iv) **1/1226/2022/FUL**
 Proposal: Change of use from agricultural field to dog exercise field and equestrian grazing (Variation of condition 3 of planning permission 1/0957/2021/FUL) - extension to opening hours
 Location: Land At Grid Reference 245265 130328, Burrows Lane, Appledore, Devon
 (Northam recommended this proposal be granted permission)

- v) **1/1298/2022/FUL**
 Proposal: Demolition of existing bungalow & construction of an apartment building containing two apartments (Variation of conditions 2 & 4 of planning permission 1/0094/2019/FUL)
 Location: Land At Grid Reference 243198 129126, Nelson Road, Westward Ho!, Devon
 (Northam recommended this proposal be granted permission)

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Torrige District Council Planning Decisions

It was noted that Torrige District Council, the determining Authority, had **refused permission** for the following applications.

- i) **1/0955/2022/OUTM**
 Proposal: Outline application with some matters reserved (landscaping and layout) for the erection of hotel apartments and ground floor restaurant
 Location: Land At Grid Reference 243189 129178, Golf Links Road, Westward Ho!,
 (Northam recommended this proposal be refused permission)

- ii) **1/1251/2022/FUL**
 Proposal: Demolition of existing Surf Bay Holiday Park reception building.
 Proposed mixed use new two storey reception building & holiday unit.
 Location: Surf Bay Leisure, Surf Bay Holiday Park, Golf Links Road, Westward Ho!
 (Northam recommended this proposal be granted permission)

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6:52pm

Signed.....Dated.....