

**WESTON-SUPER-MARE TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE
HELD AT GROVE HOUSE ON
WEDNESDAY 20th NOVEMBER 2019**

Meeting Commenced: 7.20 pm

Meeting Concluded: 8.25 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Jan Holloway (Chairman), Dot Agassiz, Gill Bute, Dave Hitchins and Alan Peak.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Tania Middlemiss (Assistant Town Clerk) and Julie Smith (Committee Officer), Cllr Pete Fox, John Jones-Pratt and Chris Langdon.

The Chairman welcomed John Jones-Pratt (applicant) and Chris Langdon (agent) and invited them to speak prior to the start of the meeting on planning application 19/P/2431/FUL Slimeridge Farm, Uphill, Weston-super-Mare. Members were given an overview in support of the application, observations were expressed as a result of residential objections around traffic movements and proposed usage of the site.

262.	To receive Apologies for Absence and Notifications of Substitutions Apologies were received from Councillors Ray Armstrong and Tim Taylor.
263.	To receive Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest.
264.	To approve Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 23rd October 2019 The minutes had previously been circulated with the agenda. PROPOSED BY: Councillor Gill Bute SECONDED BY: Councillor Alan Peak RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 rd October 2019 be approved.
265.	Matters for Consideration a) Street Trading Applications The Committee noted that there were no street trading applications for consideration. b) Disabled Parking Bay Applications The Committee noted that there were no disabled parking bay applications for consideration.

266.	<p>Matters for Noting</p> <p>a) Enforcement Cases June – September 2019 details previously emailed to all Councillors.</p> <p>RESOLVED: The Committee noted the cases.</p> <p>b) Planning Appeal - APP/DO121/W/19/3237895- 1st and 2nd Floors, Union House, 3-15 High Street, Weston-super-Mare</p> <p>RESOLVED: The Committee noted the details of the Appeal</p>
267.	<p>Town Strategy - ideas for next five years</p> <p>The Assistant Town Clerk advised of the referral item from the Council's the Strategy Group who were considering the overall Town Council Strategy for the period 2020-2025</p> <p>Members noted the extract in relation to Planning from the current 2015-2019 Strategy document which had been circulated with the agenda which was covered in sections 12.1, 12.2 and 12.3.</p> <p>The Assistant Town Clerk outlined the main policy areas of the Town Council in relation to Planning Policy which in the current strategy covered local opinion, other key considerations e.g. shopping areas, houses of multiple occupancy, drug and alcohol rehabilitation centres, tree felling, redevelopment of seafront sites, visual impacts on access routes into town, park and ride services and neighbourhood planning.</p> <p>Debate ensued with queries raised around neighbourhood planning which the Council had resolved not to progress in the current strategy period which should be deleted. Modifications to wording in sections 12.1 where there was agreement to remove the word 'transport' applications and include the word 'relevant' in front of consultations and to include a new bullet point which enabled the inclusion of cycle paths on new development sites.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the 2020-2025 Town Council Strategy in relation to Planning Policy would read as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Town Council will fully consider local opinion when presenting recommendations to North Somerset Council regarding planning applications and relevant consultations. Key consideration when responding to planning consultations will normally include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To encourage local shopping parades to become vibrant retail areas. • To encourage licensing of all houses of multiple occupancy. • To oppose additional drug and alcohol rehabilitation centres. • To request that when a tree is felled, a replacement is planted. • To support the redevelopment of tourism and seafront related sites and the creation of a beautiful promenade with a distinctive identity along the seafront. • To support any improvement to the visual impact of the access routes into

	<p>town.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To encourage inclusion of cycle paths on new development sites • Consideration be given to installing a park and ride service from the A370/A371. <p>Budget Considerations for the year 2020/2021</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the only budget needed for the Planning Committee was suitable IT equipment to be able to view planning applications and documents.</p>
268.	<p>Planning Applications and other Planning Matters submitted to the Town Council for consideration.</p> <p>The Committee considered applications in respect of the weekly lists provided by North Somerset Council dated 14th – 20th October, 21st-27th October, 28th October – 3rd November & 4th November – 10th November 2019.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the comments on planning applications be directly uploaded to 'Uniform' website as part of a new system of work requirement by North Somerset Council in 2018.</p>
	<p>There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40 pm</p> <p>Signed... <u>CHISKWAY</u>Dated <u>19/12/2019</u></p> <p>Chairman of the Planning Committee</p>