## WESTON-SUPER- MARE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD AT GROVE HOUSE ON WEDNESDAY 30 JULY 2014

Meeting Commenced: 7.00 pm Meeting Concluded: 7.55 pm

**PRESENT:** Councillor Ray Armstrong, Jan Holloway, Cyril King, Michal Kus and Frederick Parsons (Vice Chairman), Len Purnell (Chairman).

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Tania Middlemiss (Assistant Town Clerk), and Julie Smith (Administrator).

144.	To receive Apologies for Absence and Notifications of Substitutions
	Apologies were received from Cllr Rose Warwick
145.	To receive Declarations of Interest
	No declarations of interest were received
146.	To approve Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2014
	PROPOSED: Councillor Michal Kus SECONDED: Councillor Jan Holloway
	<b>RESOLVED</b> : That the Minutes be confirmed as a true record of the meeting and be signed by the Chairman of the meeting.
147.	Matters for Noting
	Current Planning Policies
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> That the policies remain unchanged.
148.	Matters for Consideration
	a) Street Trading Applications
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> There were no Street Trading Applications received.
	b) To receive notification of Disabled Parking Bay Applications
	The Committee noted the up-to-date list of current applications which were available to view at the meeting. Feedback was received from the Ward Councillors for an applications at Severn Road and Mead Vale, Weston-super-Mare.
	<b>RESOLVED:</b> That North Somerset Council's Disabled Parking Bay section be notified of the Town Council's comments as follows:-
	<ul> <li>27 Severn Road - Objection</li> <li>55 Mead Vale - No objection</li> </ul>

## 149. **Matters for Noting Current Planning Policies** The Chairman referred to adopted planning policies of the Town Council which had derived from the Council's overall strategy document which had been in place for several vears. Discussion ensued on the Council's standpoint on telecommunications masts and their potential impacts on public H & S and step changes in relation to to houses of multiple occupancy which had been subject to government pressure and initiatives in order to respond to increased development needs since 2011. The Chairman referred to discussions at the previous meeting in relation to new planning application codes and the updated position with regard to 'pre-determined' applications as a result of new government policy change intended to speed up the planning process. It was noted that efficiency in Planning Committee meetings could be achieved if predetermined applications were no longer discussed by the Committee. **RESOLVED**: The Committee were satisfied that the policies were relevant and did not require modification at this stage. 150. Planning Applications and Other Planning Matters Submitted to the Town Council for Consideration The Committee considered applications in respect of the weekly lists for 30th June and 8th, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> July 2014. **RESOLVED:** That the comments contained in Appendix A to be forwarded to North Somerset Council. There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 7.55 pm. Signed......Dated Councillor Len Purnell Chairman of the Planning Committee