WESTON-SUPER- MARE TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD AT GROVE HOUSE ON WEDNESDAY 7th MAY 2014

Meeting Commenced: 7.00 p.m. Meeting Concluded: 7.55 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor Ray Armstrong, Jan Holloway (arrived 7.10 pm), Cyril King, Frederick Parsons (Vice Chairman) and Rose Warwick

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Tania Middlemiss (Assistant Town Clerk) & Julie Smith (Administration Assistant).

In the absence of the chairman Cllr Frederick Parsons chaired the meeting.

38.	To receive Apologies for Absence and Notifications of Substitutions
	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Dave Hitchins, Len Purnell and Derek Mead.
39.	To receive Declarations of Interest
	There were no declarations of interest received.
40.	To approve Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 9th April 2014
	PROPOSED: Cllr Rose Warwick SECONDED: Cllr Ray Armstrong
	The Assistant Town Clerk advised that the draft minutes been issued with the numbers 483-489 were incorrect and would be re-issued with the correct numbering which starts back at minute number 1 on 1st April each year.
	RESOLVED : That the Minutes be re-numbered confirmed as a true record of the meeting and be signed by the Chairman of the meeting.
41.	To receive reports relating to recent North Somerset Council's South Area Committee & Planning and Regulatory Committee meetings
	There were no reports received from the South Area Committee meeting.
	Cllr Jan Holloway arrived at the meeting at 7.10pm

42. Consultations North Somerset Call for Sites 2014 The Committee noted electronic communication sent on 4.4.2014. to all Ward Members requesting a 'call for sites' by North Somerset Council as part of a government initiative and part of the plan making process for local authorities. The intention was to identify potential sites and broad locations which might be suitable for a range of uses including residential, and economic use such as retail, leisure, cultural, office and warehousing and aimed at as wide an audience as was practicable. The information would underpin the local plan policies and allocations in the forthcoming Sites and Policies Plan. Individuals and organisations are encouraged to submit potential sites, although there was no need to re-submit sites which North Somerset Council were already aware of to www.n-somerset.gov.uk/planningpolicy by 30th May 2014. **RESOLVED**: That no comments were received at the meeting for additional sites. A member requested information on local implications for new Tesco stores development in Weston-super-Mare. RESOLVED: The Assistant Town Clerk would make enquires with North Somerset Council in relation to site use for potential new Tesco stores in light of the company's recent policy change for out of town stores. Ward Member for Bourneville and Oldmixon expressed concern relating to traffic congestion and implications caused by the new airfield trunk road on the residential areas. The Assistant Town Clerk advised that this was a matter for discussion with North Somerset Council's planning officers with responsibility for highways. **RESOLVED:** To request a North Somerset Council planning and highway officer attend a meeting of the new committee. 43. Planning Applications and Other Planning Matters Submitted to the Town Council for Consideration The Committee considered applications in respect of the weekly lists for 7th, 14th,22nd & 28th April 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 p.m. Signed......Dated Councillor Frederick Parsons Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee