

**WIMBORNE MINSTER TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE** held on **TUESDAY 6 JANUARY 2009 at 6.30 pm** in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Wimborne Minster.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

**Cllr M J Hodgkinson (Chairman)**  
**Cllr Mrs D J March**  
**Cllr T F Wheeler**  
**Cllr R D Cook – Ex-Officio – Chairman of the Council**  
**Cllr J Burden – Ex-Officio – Vice-Chairman of the Council**

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS NOT PRESENT & APOLOGIES GIVEN**

**Cllr D G L Packer (Vice-Chairman)**  
**Cllr R W Booth**  
**Cllr A K Oliver, MBE**

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**THE SQUARE ENHANCEMENT SCHEME - PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

The Chairman submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix A** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The Committee had been invited to consider the detailed scheme, including whether there should be a feature of some kind (eg clock tower).

**RESOLVED**

- (a) that the District Council be informed that whilst the Town Council is in general supportive of the design, it has concerns about the level of cleaning once the project is completed and that in order to ensure that the blocks do not deteriorate because of lack of maintenance the District Council should ask the County Council to dedicate the land to the District Council;
- (b) that the District Council be asked to purchase a small street washing vehicle which could be used to keep the area clean (and other streets in the town);
- (c) that the District Council be asked to retain a stock of the paving blocks used so that any which do break can be relaid to avoid broken blocks being replaced by tarmac;

- (d) that the District Council be asked to give consideration to physical barriers, such as bollards, to stop vehicles driving onto the paved area;
- (e) that the District Council be informed that the Town Council does not wish, at this stage, to suggest a special feature, although at a later date a sun clock may be a possible option.

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**FLIGHT REFUELLING LTD, BROOK ROAD -  
CONSTRUCTION OF 268 DWELLINGS, ASSOCIATED  
PARKING AND OPEN SPACE (APPLICATION 3/08/1109/FUL)**

The Chairman submitted a report, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix B** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The Committee was asked to consider a suggested response to this planning application.

**RESOLVED** that the District Council be informed that the Town Council objects to this planning application on the following grounds:

- (a) The design of the development, particularly as viewed from the riverside, is uninspiring and monotonous, contrary to Local Plan Policy DES8 of the East Dorset Local Plan;
- (b) The density of the proposed development is too high leading to dwellings with little or no amenity land;
- (c) The roads intended for vehicular access to this site are inadequate for the additional volumes of traffic likely to be generated by this proposal, particularly during its construction.

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**LOCAL TRANSPORT PLANS FOR DORSET 2006-2011  
(PROGRESS REPORT)**

The Town Clerk submitted for information the response from Cllr Booth to the invitation by Dorset County Council to comment on this document, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as Appendix C to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

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**PLANNING DECISIONS**

The Town Clerk submitted for information a schedule of planning decisions made by East Dorset District Council, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix D** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

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**PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMENTS**

The Town Clerk submitted for information a schedule of comments on planning applications between 10 November and 8 December 2008, a copy of which had been circulated to each Member and a copy of which appears as **Appendix E** to these Minutes in the Minute Book.

The meeting closed at 7.13 pm

Signed ..... Dated .....  
Town Mayor and Chairman of the Council