

CHICHESTER CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND CONSERVATION COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON WEDNESDAY 30 JULY 2014 AT 5.30PM

- PRESENT : Councillors Budge, Chaplin, P Dignum, Councillor Garrett (nee Rees),
and Woolley (Chairman)
- EX OFFICIO : The Mayor (Councillor Hughes)
Councillor Plowman
- IN ATTENDANCE : Planning Adviser and Mayoral/Administrative Assistant
- ALSO PRSENT : Councillors Rankin and Macey
- APOLOGIES : The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Siggs)
Councillor Shone
- ABSENT : Councillor Apel

24 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting held on 2 July 2014 having been printed and circulated were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

25 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

The Chairman and Councillors Budge, Chaplin and Dignum as members of Chichester District Council declared a Personal Interest.

26 PLANNING CONTRAVENTIONS

There were no planning contraventions to report.

27 WHITE HOUSE FARM UPDATE ON CONCEPT STATEMENTS - THE MASTER PLAN DISPLAYED AT VICARS' HALL AT A PUBLIC EXHIBITION ON 15 JULY 2014.

Councillor Plowman had attended the Linden and Miller Homes Public Exhibition of the Master Plan for the development of land to the west of Chichester (White House Farm) at Vicars' Hall at which the Planning Adviser and Councillors Chaplin, Dignum and Woolley had also attended. Councillor Plowman circulated to the Committee a paper which included the proposals for drainage and foul water treatments. The on-site treatment works proposed by Albion Water had been of great concern to residents attending the exhibition. Several issues had still to be resolved, eg: flood risk, smell, noise, access and storage.

Councillor Plowman said that an outline planning application would be submitted in the early autumn and the full application late in 2014 or early 2015. He sought the advice of Councillors about the practicalities of an independent study being carried out on the feasibility and long term sustainability of an on-site waste water treatment at Whitehouse Farm. Councillor Plowman said that up to £8,000 was available under 'Localism' for such a purpose. Members were supportive of this initiative.

After some discussion it was proposed, seconded, put to the vote and RESOLVED that a recommendation be made to the next meeting of the Finance Committee for an independent study to be carried out on behalf of the City Council on the feasibility of long-term sustainability of an on-site water treatment works at Whitehouse Farm.

28 URBAN TAGS - CONSULATION BY WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

The Planning Adviser referred to details of an eco advertising project forwarded by Dan Sanders of West Sussex County Council following an approach by Business Improvement District (BID). BID would like to work with a Company called Urban Tags to raise the profile of independent and artistic retailers generally located in the City Centre side streets. This involved a process called "reverse graffiti" ie: cleaning a surface through a stencil so that a message/image is cleaned into the wall or floor. It would last for 1-4 weeks. Examples were shown to the Committee via laptop, projector and screen. Contact had been made with the Design and Implementation Manager at Chichester District Council. After some debate the Committee RESOLVED to object to the proposal on the following grounds:

- Marking and writing on walls and pavements in the Historic City Centre and Conservation Area was considered to be unacceptable.
- It was considered to be more beneficial for monies to be spent on a more permanent solution to signage in the City Centre (e.g. fingerposts)
- This form of advertising would require Advertisement Consent.

The Planning Adviser was asked to advise West Sussex County Council accordingly.

29 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEES AND WORKING GROUPS

The minutes of the Planning Delegation Sub Committee meetings held on 2 July and 24 July 2014 having been previously circulated, were approved and adopted.

30 ITEMS FOR INCLUSION ON THE NEXT AGENDA

- Graylingwell Park
- Northgate/Westhampnett
- Chichester Conservation Area Advisory Committee - report from City Council representative

31 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 27 August at 5.30pm

The meeting closed at 6.30pm.