

**Northam Town Council – Minutes of the Planning Meeting held on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2017 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Windmill Lane, Northam at 6.00 pm**

**Present:** Cllrs Hames (Chairman), Berryman, Brading, Davis, Eastman, Leather, Sherborne and Tisdale.

**In attendance:** Miss A Kendall, Administration Officer  
Members of the public

**1709/460 Apologies**

Apologies were recorded on behalf of Cllrs Edwards and Hancock

**1709/461 Chairman's announcements**

There were none.

**1709/462 Declarations of interest**

Members were reminded that all interests should be declared prior to the item being discussed.

**1709/463 To agree the agenda as published**

It was **resolved** to agree the agenda as published after moving forward application 1/0831/2017/FUL to be considered first.

Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded: Cllr Leather (all in favour)

**1709/464 To confirm and sign the minutes of the Planning meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> August 2017**

It was **resolved** to confirm and sign the minutes of the Planning meeting held 30<sup>th</sup> August 2017 as a correct record.

Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded: Cllr Berryman (all in favour)

**1709/465 Public Participation**

*It was noted that Members of the public are permitted to make representations, answer questions and give evidence in respect of any item of business included in the agenda. Each member of the public is entitled to speak once only in respect of business itemised on the agenda and shall not speak for more than 3 minutes. The period of time which is designated for public participation in accordance with standing orders shall not exceed 15 minutes.*

Members of the public wished to speak on application 1/0831/2017/FUL.

**1709/466 Torridge District Council Planning Applications:**

**Torridge District Council, the determining Authority, has asked for comments from this Town Council on the following planning applications: -**

*It was formally noted that participation of the Councillors who are also members of Torridge District Council in both the debate and subsequent vote (in respect of any of the applications below, were preliminary) was on the basis that the views expressed were based on information made available at the time to the Town Council. The District Councillors were reserving their final views on the applications until they were in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against.*

1/0831/2017/FUL

Location: Land adjacent to 76 Atlantic Way, Westward Ho!

Applicant: Clearsky Developments Ltd

Proposal: 7 flats and associated parking

It was **resolved** to suspend standing orders to allow members of the public to speak.

Proposed: Cllr Brading, Seconded Cllr Tisdale (all in favour)

It was **resolved** to reinstate standing orders.

Proposed: Cllr Berryman, Seconded Cllr Tisdale (all in favour)

It was **resolved** to recommend that this application be refused. The proposal is over-development, over-bearing on the site and will result in loss of light and overlooking. The design is not in keeping with the local vernacular and there are major concerns about parking and the cumulative effect on traffic with access onto a narrow street with existing highways issues (DVT18). There will also be a detrimental impact on pedestrians as there is no pavement on that side of Atlantic Way and the pavement on the other side is narrow. There are further concerns that there are currently no places available at the local primary school to accommodate any families who may inhabit the new development. Drainage and sewage issues were also raised.  
Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded Cllr Leather (7 in favour with 1 abstention)

1/0775/2017/FUL

Location: St Georges School, Jackets Lane, Northam  
Applicant: The Governing Body of St George's CofE Infant School  
Proposal: Re-location of the existing parking area to allow separation of cars from pedestrians and to improve security  
It was **resolved** to recommend that this application be approved.  
Proposed: Cllr Sherborne, Seconded Cllr Brading (all in favour)

1/0793/2017/COU

Location: Brockenhurst, 11 Atlantic Way, Westward Ho!  
Applicant: Mr R Harrison  
Proposal: Change of use of C1 guest house to C3 residential  
It was **resolved** to recommend that this application be approved.  
Proposed: Cllr Brading, Seconded Cllr Leather (all in favour)

1/0826/2017/FUL

Location: Surf Bay Leisure, Beachside Holiday Park, Merley Road, Westward Ho!  
Applicant: Surf Bay Leisure  
Proposal: Variation of condition 2 of permission 1/0615/2013/FUL in respect of 2 new holiday apartments building (amendments to elevational treatments, timber cladding, new lean-to store, extended terrace and balustrading)  
It was **resolved** to recommend that this application be approved.  
Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded Cllr Leather (6 in favour with 1 against and 1 abstention)

1/0838/2017/FUL

Location: Surf Bay Leisure, Beachside Holiday Park, Merley Road, Westward Ho!  
Applicant: Surf Bay Leisure  
Proposal: Proposed storage shed, creation of bin storage area, re-hardening of existing parking area for apartments and erection of boundary wall  
It was **resolved** to recommend that this application be approved.  
Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded Cllr Davis (all in favour)

1/0842/2017/FUL

Location: Two Rivers, Torridge Road, Appledore  
 Applicant: Mr R Brend  
 Proposal: Demolition of dwelling and erection of two new dwellings along with new retaining wall to accommodate parking provision and bin storage

After some discussion, it was proposed by Cllr Leather and seconded by Cllr Tisdale to recommend that this application be approved. There were 4 votes in favour and 4 votes against. The Chairman used his casting vote to vote against so the proposal was not carried.

It was proposed by Cllr Eastman and seconded by Cllr Berryman to recommend that this application be refused as there are issues with parking, the ecology report, flooding and drainage. There were 3 votes in favour, 4 against and 1 abstention. The proposal was not carried.

After further discussion, it was **resolved** to recommend that this application be approved subject to the parking being improved. Proposed: Cllr Tisdale, Seconded Cllr Brading (3 in favour with 3 against and 2 abstentions. The Chairman used his casting vote to vote in favour)

1/0849/2017/FUL

Location: Dane House, Churchill Way, Northam  
 Applicant: Mr M Turney  
 Proposal: Rear single storey extension incorporating first floor balcony  
 It was **resolved** to recommend that this application be approved.  
 Proposed: Cllr Leather, Seconded Cllr Brading (all in favour)

1/0865/2017/FUL

Location: 49 Richmond Park, Northam  
 Applicant: Ms K Garside  
 Proposal: Proposed extensions  
 It was **resolved** to recommend that this application be approved.  
 Proposed: Cllr Brading, Seconded Cllr Davis (all in favour)

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Torridge District Council – Planning Decisions

It was agreed to note that Torridge District Council, the determining Authority, has APPROVED the following applications with conditions as filed:

1/0651/2016/OUT

Location: Land at Hawkswood, Clevelands Park, Northam  
 Proposal: Erection of 3 dwellings and access  
*(Northam recommended refusal)*

1/0558/2017/FUL

Location: Dinard, Lakenham Hill, Northam  
 Proposal: Construction of first floor, glass balustrade attached to front of the property  
*(Northam recommended approval)*

1/0595/2017/FUL

Location: Land at Grid Reference 244538 128523, Lenwood Road, Northam  
 Proposal: New dwelling  
*(Northam recommended refusal)*

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Torrige District Council – Planning Decisions

It was agreed to note that Torrige District Council, the determining Authority, has REFUSED the following applications with conditions as filed:

1/0551/2017/FUL

Location: Seabreeze CI Site, Long Lane, Appledore

Proposal: CL Store and seasonal supervisory caravan  
*(Northam recommended refusal)*

There being no further business the meeting closed at 6.50pm

Signed..... Dated.....

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