

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL PURPOSE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE OF THE BAY OF COLWYN TOWN COUNCIL, HELD ONLINE (VIA ZOOM) AT 6:30PM ON TUESDAY 28TH JULY 2020

PRESENT: Cllr C Brockley (Chair)
Cllrs: B Barton; N Bastow (Mayor); G Campbell; Mrs M Jones (Deputy Mayor); J Pearson; M Tasker; M Worth

OFFICERS: Mrs Tina Earley, Clerk
Mrs Roz Dudley, Assistant Clerk

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Chris Hughes

14/20 Welcome and Apologies for Absence and re-election of Chair & Vice-Chair for a second year:

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr G Baker.

Resolved to re-elect Cllr C Brockley as Chairman and to elect Cllr Colin Matthews as Vice-Chairman of the Committee for 2020/21.

15/20 Bookmarks:

The Clerk gave a brief training session to the members on how to use the bookmark facility for pdf agenda/reports packs.

16/20 Public Participation:

In accordance with Standing Orders, members of the public are permitted to speak on any item on the agenda. Town Councillor Chris Hughes used this public participation session to comment on Planning Application 0/45845 which was to be considered by the Committee at this meeting. Cllr Hughes said the site was allocated for development on appeal in 2013 as Conwy did not meet the five year land supply at that time. Cllr Hughes said the land was not suitable for housing. The Inspector at the time said that no additional surface water must drain into the Afon Colwyn and that the residents/owners downstream had riparian rights. Cllr Hughes also said that the new SUD requirements should be complied with. Cllr Hughes expressed grave concerns about potential flooding. The number of dwellings had increased from 37 to 39, but the proposed housing mix is not in accordance with local requirements, only 10% affordable housing is proposed. Cllr Hughes felt strongly that this housing development should not be approved on this site which was not allocated for housing in the LDP and asked for support from the Committee.

The Chair thanked Cllr Hughes and he retired from the meeting.

17/20 Declarations of Interest:

Members were reminded that they must declare the existence and nature of any personal and/or prejudicial interests. Cllr Brockley declared an interest in regard to

planning application 0/47444 and left the meeting when this item was considered.

18/20 Minutes:

Resolved to approve and sign, as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting, held on 7th July 2020, subject to an amendment in the planning applicatio list.

19/20 Conwy CBC:

a) The Clerk submitted:

(i) TTR for Dolwen Road, Colwyn Bay from 27/7 to 14/8 (Welsh Water Work)

(ii) TTR for Cefn Isa Road, Dolwen from 27/7 to 31/7 (Installation of new apparatus)

(iii) TTR for Old Highway from 27/7 – 31/7 (Open Spaces Maintenance Work)

b) An update from Conwy CBC regarding Playgrounds.

c) Draft Public Space Protection Order Consultation: The Clerk gave a brief report on the changes that affected our area. Members were pleased that their request for Queen's Gardens to become a 'dog on lead' zone had been included.

d) Bus Shelters: Pictures of the new Craig View Shelter and an update on the account balance.

Members noted all the Conwy CBC documents.

20/20 Tan Lan Community Centre:

The Clerk informed members that the remaining committee members intend to surrender the lease for the Tan Lan Community Centre and the future of the centre for community use is under threat. There are two community centres in Old Colwyn, but this one does not get used. In answer to a question, the Clerk did not know if the Old Colwyn Resident's Association (OCRA) are aware of the situation.

Resolved to forward the information to the Policy & Finance Colwyn Ward members and to OCRA for them to share with their contacts.

21/20 Penmaenhead:

At the request of Cllr Merrill Jones, the speed limit on the section of road from Highlands Road to the post office was discussed. Members were in support of the speed limit being reduced to 30mph but the Clerk advised the members that as it was an A road, the speed limits follow highway regulations.

Resolved that the Clerk write to Highways to request that the traffic speed limits on this section of road be reviewed.

22/20 Planning:

a) The Clerk submitted, for consideration, the planning applications received from CCBC.

Resolved to submit observations on these applications, as detailed in Schedule 'A' attached.

b) Resolved to receive a copy of the Planning Decisions issued by CCBC for the period 29/6/2020 – 26/7/2020.

c) Members noted the appeal notice for Nant Uchaf Farm, Nant y Glyn, Colwyn Bay.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm.

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