



RYDE TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 23rd JANUARY 2013 AT TOWN HALL CHAMBERS 10, LIND STREET, RYDE

Present: Councillors Conrad Gauntlett, Graham Pearce, Tim Wakeley (Chairman) and David Woodward (Mayor)

Also Present: Mr D. Moore, Mrs J. Moore and Mr P. Warren.

In attendance: David Mellor .

7/13 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor David Knowles

8/13 MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 8th January 2013 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

9/13 PROGRESS ON ACTION TAKEN

Quarr Beach – Advice had been taken regarding the possibility of establishing a right of way over the section of Quarr Beach which was the subject of notices discouraging the public from walking over this beach. The IWC Rights of Way Officer had said that any application would depend on the sufficiency of the evidence submitted but purely from what he had seen and based on his own research it was his opinion that it would be extremely unlikely that any application would be successful.

Members were reluctant to accept that nothing could be done and Councillor Gauntlett suggested that the legislation relating to “the right to roam” should be explored to see if there was another way of approaching this problem.

IW Coastal Path – The Chairman had previously asked if the inclusion of the Island in the UK Coastal Path as mentioned recently in the press might help the situation at Quarr. DEFRA, the Department of Food and Rural Affairs had consulted on this and

the Country Landowners Association were against the inclusion but the Ramblers Association were in support of this move. The Wight Coast was excluded from the planned National Coastal Trail. More than 10 miles of the northern Wight Coastline between Yarmouth and Ryde had no public access or footpath and this included six miles of woodland and rolling countryside between East Cowes and Ryde.

The IW Ramblers were liaising with the Island Tourist Board, Chamber of Commerce and community groups to raise awareness of coastal trail opportunities and to persuade the IW Council to back the establishment of a Wight Coastal Trail and to include it in development plans for the Island. It was hoped that the Minister for the Environment would sign an order to include the Island under the provisions of the 2009 Marine and Coastal Access Act.

10/13 MEMBERS' QUESTIONS

Councillor Gauntlett was concerned that the Monkton Mead Brook had not been properly maintained and that its clearance mentioned before had not been followed up. The Environment Agency would be asked to attend to this.

11/13 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. P/01910/12 TCP/31325 – 45, Grenville Drive. (Haylands Ward)
Alterations and conversion of garage to form store and study.

RESOLVED that no objection be raised.

2. P/01926/12 A/00948/F – Lloyds TSB, 35, Union Street (NW Ward)
1 x internally illuminated projecting sign; 2 x internally illuminated fascia signs; 4 x internally illuminated window light strips; window vinyl; wall mounted name plate.

RESOLVED that no objection be raised.

3. P/01948/12 PNP/31330 – Rear of Nat West Bank opposite 2, Lind Street (NW Ward)
Prior notification for installation of telecom cabinet.

RESOLVED that no objection be raised.

12/13 PLANNING DECISIONS

There had been no notification of any decisions after the Christmas break .

13/13 APPEAL DECISION

The appeal against refusal of consent for application P/00342/12 at Rye House, Play Street Lane had been DISMISSED. It was for the conversion of Rye House to provide 4 sheltered housing units and 10 sheltered units in 2 blocks of flats and 2 bungalows, with 2 semi detached houses fronting Playstreet Lane. This Committee had objected to the application and the Inspector found that the proposal would have an adverse affect

on the character and appearance of the surrounding area and the setting of Rye House and that it did not provide any “affordable” housing.

14/13 LICENSING

Review of Licence – Wight Rock Bar, Lind Street.- 041896

Jacqueline Carr of 1, St Thomas Street had applied for a review of the licence for the Wight Rock Bar, alleging the escape of loud music onto her property and others, stating that the owners will not take effective action.. She enclosed complaints of noise from various persons who had stayed at or near to her property and attached earlier copies of reports from Environmental Health and the Fire Service.

RESOLVED that the owners be requested to take up to date professional advice to assess and remedy the source of the noise complaint and the recommendations of such assessment be put into put into effect and failure to implement such advice should result in the revocation of the licence.

Review of Licence – Hong Kong Express, Esplanade -041936

Gary Fletcher of the IW Police had applied for a review of the licence at these premises, held by Hong Kong Express (Ryde) Ltd in order to prevent crime and disorder and also to prevent public nuisance. Breaches of the licence regarding the sale of alcohol were alleged by the Police.

RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Police be supported

15/13 HIGHWAYS

High Street Precinct - At the Town Council meeting on 14th January the matter of vehicles parking on both sides of the pedestrian precinct was raised, as this had apparently obstructed the access of a fire service vehicle.

RESOLVED that it be acknowledged that there had been problems with evening parking in the area between the Edinburgh Mill Shop and the Star Public House and that the Highway Authority be requested to give consideration to implementing a restriction of parking on one side of the precinct between the hours of 6pm and 8am.

Coach Parking in Victoria Street – The request of the Ryde Business Association for a designated coach drop off point in Victoria Street had been included in the recently advertised traffic regulation order but there could be delays in its implementation as some local residents had objected to the proposal .It was reported that the Highways Office had expected the objections to be resolved by 28th February and that the Coach “Drop Off” point put into effect by the end of the current financial year.

16/12 CONSERVATION AWARDS – I.W. SOCIETY

The Isle of Wight Society had asked if the Town Council wished to nominate the conservation of any specific building for consideration in its annual awards scheme. Members suggested :- Ryde Pier repairs and renewal; “Union”, (Liz Earle) Union Street and Coburgs, Union Street. All members of the Council would be asked which project they preferred.

17/12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5th February and the meetin finished at 8.05 pm.

Signed Dated