



## RYDE

### TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON  
MONDAY 21<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2011 AT THE ACTIVITY ROOM, GEORGE STREET  
CENTRE, RYDE

Present : Councillors Conrad Gauntlett, Brian Harris, Graham Pearce ,  
Debbie Taylor, Tim Wakeley (Chairman) and David Woodward.

Also present : Mr and Mrs David Moore, Mr Nigel Smith.

In attendance : David Mellor

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44/11 APOLOGIES

An apology was received from Councillor Debbie Taylor who had hoped to attend around 7.20 pm.

45/11 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Graham Pearce declared a personal interest in planning applications P/00164/11, P/00165/11 and P/00166/11 regarding 61a, Union Street as he knew the applicant and an occupier of the premises.

46/11 MINUTES

**RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2011 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chairman.**

47/11 PROGRESS ON ACTION TAKEN

Ryde School Development – P/00049/09

Amended plans had been received for this application which was approved on 21<sup>st</sup> April 2009. The Planning Officer had considered them to be a minor revision to the scheme and therefore, had been approved under delegated procedures, with no further comments required. Photographs were shown but

it was not clear what amendments would be made so enquiries would be made.

Construction of Primary School on the playing fields of Swanmore County Middle School (P/00177/11 – TCP/23646/D)

At its last meeting the Committee had suggested that, with a view to energy saving, consideration could be given to the viability of the provision of photo voltaic solar panels in the south facing roof and also to the provision of ground source heat pumps in the area south of the proposed school. This comment had been sent on line and the Committee asked if there had been a response to the suggestions.

48/11 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1. P/00087/11 – TCP/07856/R (Binstead Ward)

Paddock Chase, Pitts Lane, Ryde.

Alterations and extension at first floor level to enlarge living accommodation.

**RESOLVED that no objection be made.**

2. P/01832/10 – TCP/30462 (West Ward)

124a, High Street, Ryde (next to Babyneeds shop)

Retention of replacement single storey extension, proposed raised deck area and boundary fence.

**RESOLVED that no objection be made.**

3. P/00164/11 – TCPL/03537/G (North West Ward)

61 a, Union Street, Ryde.

Change of use of existing flower shop (class A1) to coffee house with takeaway element (mixed use class A3 and A5)

4. P/00165/11 – A/02566

61 a, Union Street, Ryde.

Non-illuminated fascia sign and retractable canopy.

5. P/00165/11 – LBC/03537/F

61 a, Union Street, Ryde.

Listed Building Consent for alterations in connection with the change of use of existing flower shop (class A1) to coffee house with takeaway element (mixed use class A3 and A5); non-illuminated fascia sign and retractable canopy.

The applicant, Mr Nigel Smith spoke to describe the applications and answered questions from members of the Committee.

At 7.20 pm, Councillor Debbie Taylor entered the meeting.

**RESOLVED that no objection be made to the above three applications and the Clerk be asked to report back on the survey undertaken in 2010 regarding the proportion of non-retail to retail uses in the Town Centre.**

6. P/00200/11 – A/00633/C (North West Ward)

16 , Union Street, Ryde (Churchers Solicitors)

Non- illuminated projecting sign.

The Committee recognised this to be an improvement on the previous proposal for a sign on the first floor bay window and

**RESOLVED that no objection be made.**

Councillor Graham Pearce was absent from the meeting during discussion and voting on this application .

49/11 PLANNING DECISION

The following decision made by the IW Council together with the view expressed by the Town Council during the consultation process was noted:-

1. P/01925/10 – Victoria Arcade, Union Street, Ryde.

Non – illuminated fascia sign and two non-illuminated nameboards.

APPROVED (TC no objection 24/1/11)

50/11 HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORT – CONSULTATION ON LOCAL BUS SERVICES (Minute 42/11)

On 8<sup>th</sup> March the Committee deferred consideration of the consultation on bus services that the IW Council anticipated may possibly not continue to be provided on a commercial basis from September 2011. It resolved that all members of the Council should be informed of its initial response to this consultation in order that they may also be given the opportunity of commenting on it. The following services were included for consideration:- 3,4,8,33,33a and 37.

Following this notification IW Councillor Vanessa Churchman had requested that the following statement be read to the Committee:- “You will be pleased to know that I was in touch with Marc Morgan-Hughes some time ago when it was announced that Wightbus would cease in August of this year. At a meeting with Ian Stephens, Marc and myself it was confirmed that the Haylands/Binstead route will be retained as a commercially viable route for the foreseeable future and will operate as per the current timetable. This route was the one which I persuaded Southern Vectis to reinstate 2 years ago. At the time I pointed out that it would not only provide my residents with a “local” bus service into town but would be a feeder route for those wishing to connect with other bus routes, enabling people to travel through to Newport.”

The service 37 Binstead /Ryde bus was included on this consultation regarding the review of subsidy as being of high and medium high priority. Consideration of the consultation was also deferred until this meeting to seek clarification as to whether Southern Vectis will assume any discontinued services of Wight Bus. However, the IWC Public Transport Officer has stated that the IW Council is mindful of the current provision of Wight Bus but any

possible commercial operation of these falls outside of this consultation , which is on the level of subsidy for services provided by Southern Vectis.

**RESOLVED that the IW Council Public Transport Officer be informed that Ryde Town Council feels that all the bus routes affecting the Ryde Area of high and medium priority and colour coded green and blue be retained and improved and given continued financial subsidy.**

51/11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April in the Activity Room, George Street Centre.

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

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