

MINUTES of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 3 February 2021 at 10.00 a.m.. via Zoom conference call.

PRESENT: Councillor E M Ahearn presiding; together with Councillors, P L G Skea, J P Cooper, J A Bassett, J R Gibbs, and P Brown

ALSO PRESENT:

Cllr P Cooper and D Henderson who did not vote as not members of the planning committee.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. P Martin (Town Clerk) and Ms. L Pinnegar (Senior Administration Assistant / Mayor's Secretary).

Meeting commenced at 10.00 am

P/2021/019

**Chairman's Announcements and Apologies;**

There were no apologies received

P/2021/020

Declarations of Interest – Members to declare interests in respect of Any items on the agenda;

No declarations of interest were received.

P/2021/021

**PUBLIC REPRESENTATION SESSION – An opportunity for local residents to make representations or ask questions relating to items on this agenda. (Note: a maximum of 15 minutes will be allocated for this session as there will be a time constraint of 5 minutes per speaker);**

There were 4 members members of the public present.

C Howard – said she has lots of people contacting her because they cannot get onto the Cornwall Council Portal.

The Chair was asked that the Clerk follow this up with Cornwall Council, and copy in Cornwall Councillors including Cllr Batters

It was suggested by Cllr J Cooper that people access direct from CC website rather than through links and make complaints to highlight the issue if having continued issues, to evidence the problem.

P/2021/022

To consider and, if approved, adopt the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held Wednesday 13 January 2021. Copies to follow, and to be signed off by Chairman on next visit to office.

**It was RESOLVED to agree that they were a true account of the meeting.**

P/2021/023

Actions arising from previous minutes:

To request the Town Clerk requests the application PA20/10618 comes before the next available strategic planning committee

Write to the MP to investigate the deficiencies of the information provided to this council

The Clerk confirmed these actions had been completed.

P/2021/024 - PA20/11270

**Listed Building Consent for internal revisions of floor layouts to that approved on Application PA19/10825 | Priory House Priory Road Bodmin Cornwall PL31 2AE. Priory House Development Ltd**

This was discussed and the committee felt it was difficult to tell from the information provided what the actual changes were against what was previously agreed.

Cllr J Cooper felt people who found this information unclear should write to Cornwall planning and their MP to highlight and challenge, he had previously challenged CC on this but not got a satisfactory resolve.

Cllr P Cooper said he had raised this with CC and was told that they share the frustrations, it is difficult for them pinpoint the changes, so wondered if it was a national problem, not just CC.

**It was RESOLVED not to support this application until confirmation can be proved that sufficient consideration has been given to the historic site attached to the building and its continued Grade 2 listing.**

P/2021/025 - PA21/00137

**Advertisement consent for the installation of a free-standing internally-illuminated totem sign. | McDonalds Bodmin Retail Park Launceston Road Bodmin Cornwall PL31 2GA. McDonalds Restaurants Ltd**

Cllr J Cooper was surprised that Cllr Frost was not in attendance at this meeting, as he felt it would have been useful for the committee to be able to ask him what measures he had in place for traffic management, litter control and eco measures for this application which he has supported.

There has been no consultation with BTC by CC, Highways or Cllr Frost on traffic management. Cllr J Cooper would suggest a no right turn on exit. Would want to see bespoke designs suitable for Bodmin.

Cllr P Cooper has had residents approach him, and they do not want the same problems as experienced by KFC such as litter to be repeated. Also concerns about lighting and protecting dark skies.

Cllr P Brown agreed with the comments, but put it to the committee that this has all been agreed and the discussion today is the signage requests.

Cllr J Cooper stated that the signs would include traffic management and Eco credentials.

**It was RESOLVED that Bodmin Town Council do not support this application and want more rationale behind the signage based on the Eco credentials and the possibility for traffic management for all users as per NPPF.**

P/2021/026 - PA21/00138

**Advertisement consent for the installation of 6no. fascia signs, 3 no. booth lettering signs and 1 no. 15" digital booth screen. | Bodmin Retail Park Launceston Road Bodmin Cornwall PL31 2GA McDonalds Restaurants Ltd**

Cllr J Cooper stated this is on the edge of a dark skies area, the lighting must take this into consideration.

**It was RESOLVED by Bodmin Town Council not to support this application due to this being on the edge of a dark skies area and would want to see that acknowledged in the type of lighting used.**

P/2021/027 - PA21/00139

**Advertisement consent for the installation of various site signage including 4 no. freestanding signs, 2 no. banner units and 15 no. dot signs. | Bodmin Retail Park Launceston Road Bodmin Cornwall PL31 2GA McDonalds Restaurants Ltd**

**It was RESOLVED by Bodmin Town Council to support this application but due to the site being on the edge of a dark skies area would want to see that acknowledged in the type of signage used.**

P/2021/028 - PA21/00455

**Non Material Amendment to Application No. PA20/00778 dated 21st December 2020 for the Erection of 44 dwellings, creation of access and associated works namely Changes to below dpc brick colour, roof material manufacturer and front door colours | Land At Respryn Road Trebyan Bodmin PL31 1DQ**

Cllr P Brown, had no objections, except for the fact that brown roof tiles have been agreed to. It would appear this is just a change of manufacturer.

Cllr J Cooper felt that slate was more environmentally friendly than concrete tiles and cost should not be a factor.

**It was RESOLVED by Bodmin Town Council to support the application but it would like them to consider the use of local materials such as slate, in line with Cornwall Councils Climate Emergency declaration.**

P/2021/029 - PA21/00418

**Non Material Amendment (3) to Application No. PA15/06688 dated 1st March 2016 for the Creation of a new College Campus including the demolition and removal of single storey outbuildings and the phased delivery of four education buildings, an artificially lit sports pitch, signage and the**

**associated landscaping, parking and access road provision namely various design alterations to Building 2 (as per application form) and additional and relocated parking spaces, additional covered bicycle shelter and relocated smoking area | Old Callywith Road Bodmin PL31 2DZ Peter Ward Truro College**

Discussions took place, and the council appreciate the College is a good asset to the Town. Concerns were expressed as to the road network and it was discussed that the site was on the edge of a dark skies area.

**It was RESOLVED by Bodmin Town Council to support the application in principle, but it would like some reassurances about the design and capacity of the access road. They would like to see a proper study into the road layout and structure. Also, to ensure that lighting considers the latest guidance on light pollution as the site is on the edge of a dark skies area.**

P/2021/030

**Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 S.14: Temporary Prohibition of Traffic. Comac Solutions Ltd have requested to close the following road(s) to carryout works to their apparatus. Corporation Road, Bodmin, 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 to 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021 (07:00 to 17:00 hours)**

This was noted by BTC

Meeting finished at 10.53 a.m.