

DRAFT MINUTES

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOWEY TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 5th MAY 2015 IN THE RBL MEETING ROOM 5.30pm

Present Cllr Mrs A Boosey (Chairman), Cllr Mrs K Alexander, Cllr J Berryman (Mayor),
Cllr T Delves, Cllr Mrs R Finlay, Cllr D Willmore

In attendance

The Town Clerk, Sally Vincent
4 members of the public

14/142 Apologies

None

14/143 Declaration of Interests

- a. Pecuniary - None
- b. Non Registerable – None
- c. Dispensations - The Clerk had extended a dispensation to Cllr Delves to participate in any discussion pertaining to the Fowey Wainhomes development.

14/144 Public Questions

Gary A'Lee addressed the meeting about his application PA15/03489. He explained that he had been born and brought up in Fowey and had been running a bespoke furniture business in rented premises in the town for 30 years. Unfortunately he had now been served notice to quit by his landlord and he had been unable to find alternative accommodation in the town, which was why he had applied for a workshop on his own land at Newtown. Gary confirmed that he had commissioned a noise consultancy to address the concerns raised by the Environment Agency at the pre application stage and he was confident that his proposed building would meet their requirements.

14/145 Minutes of Meeting of 15th April 2015

Proposed Cllr Willmore, seconded Cllr Alexander and RESOLVED that the minutes be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

14/146 Matters Arising (for report only)

None.

14/147 Planning Applications

1. PA15/02093. Listed building consent to repair the bottom part of a false front door and replace rotten French window frames with new hardwood frames. 3, Rashleigh Cottages. Cllr Willmore proposed, Cllr Alexander seconded and it was RESOLVED that a recommendation of no objection should be made to Cornwall Council

2. PA15/02583. Loft conversion and associated works. 3, Passage Street. Cllr Finlay proposed, Cllr Delves seconded and it was RESOLVED that a recommendation of no objection should be made to Cornwall Council
3. PA15/03489. Proposed furniture makers workshop to the rear of Chy-An-Pyth, 13, Newtown. Members noted that the full details of this application had been unavailable online, which was unacceptable. Cllr Boosey stated that she was disappointed that an updated report from the Environment Agency was not yet available but that it appeared that the issues raised at the pre application stage had been addressed. Cllr Finlay voiced concern about the proposed external extraction unit as in her experience this type of equipment could be quite noisy. After further discussion Cllr Boosey proposed, Cllr Willmore seconded and it was RESOLVED that a recommendation of support should be made to Cornwall Council, subject to the Environment Agency being satisfied with the proposed soundproofing measures.
- Reasons: 1. The applicant had lost his existing premises in the town through no fault of his own and alternative accommodation was unavailable. 2. This was an established local business producing high quality, bespoke products 3. FTC supports innovative businesses in the town but accepts that suitable premises are difficult to secure.* Cllr Finlay abstained from voting.
4. PA15/02883. Alterations, restructuring and addition of a second floor attic. 12, Esplanade. Cllr Finlay proposed, Cllr Alexander seconded and it was RESOLVED that a recommendation of no objection should be made to Cornwall Council
5. PA15/03530. Convert existing Flat 3 and Flat 4 into a single dwelling. Construct new mansard roof structure to provide new living accommodation. 3 & 4, Longsteps, Lostwithiel Street. Cllr Boosey referred members to the email from the applicant explaining the reasoning behind his amended proposal and noted that the original scheme had been greatly revised to reflect the objections from neighbours and FTC. Members considered that the new design would fit comfortably into the streetscene and Cllr Willmore proposed, Cllr Berryman seconded and it was RESOLVED that a recommendation of no objection should be made to Cornwall Council

14/148 Notice of Appeals

None.

14/149 New Breaches of Planning Regulations

The CC enforcement action regarding possible breaches of planning at the new Wainhomes development at Hillhay was ongoing. It was noted, however, that the company was likely to be operating within its consent in using the existing estate for access to the phase 2 development.

14/150 Correspondence

- Two letters of support for Gary A'Lee's application at Newtown
- Letter raising concerns about the possibility of the owner of Fowey Hotel trying to close a public footpath through the property. It was agreed that the Environment Committee would follow up on this.
- Letter from a member of the public highlighting difficulties with the CC Planning Portal.
- Email from CC planning confirming that the officer would approve the application in respect of the St John garage under delegated powers, contrary to FTC's objection, unless FTC advised within 5 days that they wished it to be called in. Whilst members accepted

that the planning grounds for maintaining their objections were slim it was, nevertheless agreed that morally the garage belonged to the community and the objection should stand. Cllr Hughes had just arrived for the next meeting and Cllr Boosey requested that he call the application in, which he agreed to do

14/151 Date of Next Meeting 17th June 2015

Meeting Closed 6.04pm