

UNADOPTED

POLEGATE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Town Council held on Monday 6th September 2010 at Council Chambers, 49, High Street Polegate at 7.30 p.m.

Present: Cllrs T Voyce (Chair), J Rogers (Chair of Planning), T Wright, Mrs M Piper, J Harmer, Mrs J Voyce, Mrs C Berry, S Barber and R Martin Mrs J Bigsby, Mrs D Joy.

Lin Baxter (Acting Town Clerk)

Jo Ognjanovic (Office Manager)

No members of the public

9363 Apologies for absence

The following Apologies had been received and accepted –
Cllrs A Watkins – work commitments and G Carter – Ill Health

9364 Declarations of interest

None

9365 WD/2008/2180/MEA Honey Farm Eastbourne Road Polegate

Up to 520 dwellings together with a one form entry Primary School, Incorporating Community Uses, a convenience store and doctor's surgery.

A short discussion took place regarding the Statement of Case which all Councillor had copies on. Cllr T Wright expressed his thanks to Cllr Mrs J Voyce for all her hard work in preparing the Statement of Case. The Masterplan was discussed briefly in respect of its content and amendments being of an ongoing nature and was being brought to full Council for adoption but even after adoption the Masterplan would be revised and amendment as time permits.

Cllr M Cunningham stated that although the Statement of Case was as required he was not originally opposed to the Pelham Plans and that his vote would reflect that accordingly.

Cllr Mrs C Berry also stated that her vote would reflect that she had not been totally opposed to the original plans.

Cllr Harmer queried the totals in relation to Nightingale place and was informed that the figures had been advised but Planning Aid. (Mr P Hartley)

**It was resolved that the Statement of Case be accepted and submitted to the Planning Inspectorate.
VOTE 10 in favour 2 against (Cllr Mr M Cunningham Cllr Mrs C Berry)**

A brief discussion took place regarding the Pre Inquiry Meeting.

**It was resolved to nominate Cllr T Voyce and the office manager to attend the Pre Inquiry Meeting on 19th October 2010 at the Boship Hotel, plus Cllr J Rogers if more than 2 persons were allowed to attend.
VOTE All in favour**

A discussion took place regarding the requirement to submit proofs of evidence before the 14th December deadline.

**It was resolved that the Planning Appeal Advisory Committee prepare submissions of Proofs of Evidence by 14th December 2010 (deadline for rule 6 (6) parties) to be made available to Councillors for information only prior.
VOTE All in favour**

A discussion took place regarding the offer of training for those likely to take part in the enquiry the date of 24th and 25th November were considered as suitable for the training sessions by Peter Hartley (Planning Aid). There would be no costs involved.

It was resolved that Peter Hartley (Planning Aid) would be asked to give advice throughout and provide training sessions prior to the Public Inquiry the likely dates being Wednesday 24th November and/or Thursday 25th November 2010.

All councillors were invited to attend if they wished and the resident Mr O'Riordan would also be asked.

9366 Committee to consider in pursuant to Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 whether the public and press should be excluded from the meeting on the grounds that publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest by reasons of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

It was resolved to take business into confidential Session to discuss staffing matters.