

## BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL

**Minutes of the Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 2 September 2015 at 6.30pm in the Ante-Room, Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed**

### **PRESENT:**

Councillors:	C Seymour (Chair)	A Gibson
	H Bettison	K Graham
	D Blackburn	G Smith

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

S Cozens, Assistant to the Clerk

3 members of the public

### **OPEN SESSION**

There were no statements by members of the public present.

#### **P037/15 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been accepted from: Councillors I Dixon, A Forbes, T Forrester and G Hill.

#### **P038/15 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

It was noted that Councillor G Smith had attended the meeting of the Planning Committee held on 11 August. The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 11 August 2015 were then agreed and signed as a correct record.

#### **P039/15 3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Councillor A Gibson declared a personal interest in Item 6 (Flagstaff Park).

#### **P040/15 4. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION**

There were no requests for dispensation.

#### **P041/15 5. LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

An open meeting was held on Friday, 21 August 2015, supported by David English of Northumberland County Council. The governance and structure of the Steering Group was discussed, whose role is to manage the public consultation process. The Steering Group's is an advisory role whose recommendations will

be presented to a full meeting of Town Council. A press release has been drawn up which will be released in due course.

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## **6. FLAGSTAFF PARK**

At a recent meeting of full Council, members agreed to appoint Kompan to design/provide play equipment for Flagstaff Park. One of the items, the Corocord Spacenet, is 6 meters high and planning permission is required on play equipment over 4 meters. The Town Council would get 50% discount on the normal cost of a planning application.

### **Standing Orders Suspended**

Cllr McLean, attending the meeting as a member of the public, explained there was a differential in the ground the item sits on which is 1.3 meters lower and also it is the narrowest part of the apex part of the play equipment that reaches to the full 6 meters height so it is not so noticeable.

### **Standing Orders re-instated**

Concerns were raised regarding the drainage issues at Flagstaff Park.

### **Standing Orders Suspended**

Mr Michael Stewart asked if the work was done then could the Town Council apply for retrospective planning permission.

### **Standing Orders re-instated**

Concerns were raised again over drainage issues, however, Cllr Gibson stated it was just one area around a drain, although there would be no cost to the Town Council as the drains were the responsibility of Northumbrian Water.

### **Standing Orders Suspended**

Cllr McLean said it was only one area that is a problem and if it is really wet then there could be wet patches

### **Standing Orders re-instated**

**RESOLVED: That Berwick-upon-Tweed Town Council submit a planning application for Flagstaff Park relating specifically to the Corocord Spacenet, although to include all items to be installed at the park.**

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## **7. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

**15/02488/FUL**

**Relocate entrance door from side elevation (alley access) to the rear elevation. Demolish existing outbuilding to the rear and construct 2no.**

**outbuildings to service no.s 46 and 48 Chapel Street. Plus external improvements to drainage. Repaint (black) and recondition front door and alley access door.**

**46 Chapel Street, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1BX**

No objections.

**15/02699/FUL**

**Proposed rear alterations to form new french door opening, additional bedroom on first floor and creation of en-suite bedroom with installation of new downpipes to front elevation. General upgrading of existing kitchen and bathroom.**

**7 Wallace Green, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1EB**

No objections.

**15/02700/LBC**

**Listed building consent for proposed rear alterations to form new french door opening, additional bedroom on first floor and creation of en-suite bedroom with installation of new downpipes to front elevation. General upgrading of existing kitchen and bathroom.**

**7 Wallace Green, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1EB**

No objections.

**15/02719/FUL**

**Change of use from retail to restaurant and conversion of upper floors to create 4no flats.**

**55 Hide Hill, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1EQ**

No objections.

**15/02739/OUT**

**Outline permission for two storey dwelling house (All matters reserved).**

**Land West Of 24 Glamis Hill, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland.**

No objections.

**15/02810/FUL**

**Proposed conversion and extension of garage to create granny annexe.**

**137 Main Street, Spittal, Northumberland. TD15 1RP**

No objections – Cllr Blackburn abstained.

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**8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday, 29 September 2015 at 6.30 pm.