

## **BERWICK-UPON-TWEED TOWN COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Town Council Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 23 February 2016 at 6.30pm in the Ante-Room, Town Hall, Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed**

### **PRESENT:**

Councillors: C Seymour (Chair)  
I Dixon  
A Forbes  
G Hill  
G Smith

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

S Cozens, Assistant to the Clerk  
3 members of the public

### **OPEN SESSION**

Concerns were raised regarding the former Kwiksave site now that the building has been demolished by a member of the public regarding rats and pests on site. It was agreed to write to Pest Control at Northumberland County Council.

#### **P092/15 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence had been accepted from: Councillors H Bettison and K Graham.

Absent: E Goodyer.

#### **P093/15 2. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 26 January 2016 were agreed and signed as a correct record.

#### **P094/15 3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

There were no disclosures of interests.

#### **P095/15 4. REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION**

There were no requests for dispensation.

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## **5. LOCAL NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The last of the public drop-in events takes place in the Guild Hall on Friday, 26 February 2016 from 6pm to 7.30pm.

All of the drop-in sessions have been well attended.

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## **6. NORTHUMBERLAND LOCAL PLAN CORE STRATEGY**

The next step for the Core Strategy is for a report to be considered today at Northumberland County Council's Economic Growth & Corporate Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee. A further report, which will include comments, will be considered at NCC's Cabinet meeting on 21 March 2016.

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## **7. BERWICK QUAYSIDE FLOOD DEFENCE**

Concerns have been raised over the possibility of flooding on to the Quayside. Cllr Seymour provided information including reports, photographs and layouts of the drainage system. She had met with a concerned resident and Northumbrian Water recently. Although content with information provided by NW that drains and sewers are being well taken care of in Berwick, some additional questions and recommendations were given regarding our Flood Defence on the Quayside and reference to the NCC Investigation of the tidal surge in 2013. NW is responsible for drainage and sewer outfalls to the Tweed and NCC are responsible for flooding from the River Tweed. **Suspend Standing Orders.** A member of the public reported that they could remember flooding onto Sandgate and Shoregate, and would provide photos, whilst another member of the public thought it showed great due diligence of BTC to raise concerns about our flood defence. **Reinstate Standing Orders.**

It was agreed to write a letter to Northumberland County Council asking them to look at the flood risk and potential defences. The information provided by Cllr Seymour would be included.

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## **8. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

**16/00277/LBC**

**Listed Building Consent: Internal (Cat B) fit out works to provide office accommodation.**

**3-4 The Chandlery, Quayside, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1HE**

No objections.

**16/00305/FUL**

**Construction of 2no. storage units for existing business.**

**Ian A Grieve, The Old Smokehouse, 20 Windmill Way East, Ramparts Business Park, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1UN**

No objections.

**16/00316/LBC**

**Listed building consent for replacement of existing upper floor windows and ground floor external door to north elevation. Internal alterations to restore residential use.**

**65 Marygate, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1BA**

Members would prefer a like-for-like replacement and would agree with comments made by the Conservation Office, including the need for more information.

**16/00408/ADE**

**Advertisement Consent: Installation of 1no. internally illuminated fascia sign, 1no. internally illuminated hanging sign and 2no. non-illuminated signs.**

**Royal Bank Of Scotland, 42 Hide Hill, Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland. TD15 1EY**

Members had no objection in principle, however, they would prefer the illuminated signs to be not illuminated when the business is closed.

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**9. PLANNING APPLICATION DECISION LIST**

Members noted that the Status of Planning Application 15/03836/DISCON was 'Partial Consent / Partial Refusal' and requested that the Decision Notice be sought. The remaining decisions provided in the attachment were noted.

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**10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting would be Tuesday, 22 March 2016 at 6.30 pm.