

COWES TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning & Licensing Committee meeting held in the Town Council Office, Northwood House, Cowes on Thursday 20 August 2015.

Present: Councillors Jones (Chairman), Banks, Brown, McNeill & Wardrop.

866 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Cowan, Nicholson & Oliver.

867 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillors Brown, Jones, McNeill & Wardrop declared a non-pecuniary interest in the Planning Application P/00936/15 – Baileys Stores - as they have or will be making a personal objection to this application.

Councillor McNeill declared a non-pecuniary interest in the Planning Application P/00820/15 – Land at Dottens Farm – as he knows the owner of Dottens Farm, the adjoining property.

868 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 23 July 2015 be taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

869 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Councillor Jones submitted details of planning applications received and following the Committee's consideration it was:

RESOLVED

That Cowes Town Council has no objections to the following applications:

- (i) **Application No:** P/00826/15 Alt Ref: TCP/07506/A
Location: 98 Baring Road
Proposal: Demolition of garage and rear extension; single storey extensions on side and rear elevations to provide additional living accommodation; alterations to porch.
- (ii) **Application No:** P/00723/15 Alt Ref: TCP/32339
Location: Vehicle Inspectorate, Goods Vehicle Testing Station, Prospect Road
Proposal: Demolition of toilets and continued use of existing industrial unit; proposed construction of 16 industrial units with associated parking.
- (iii) **Application No:** P/00859/15 Alt Ref: TCP/13833/A
Location: 61 Victoria Road
Proposal: Formation of vehicular access.
- (iv) **Application No:** P/00915/15 Alt Ref: TCP/32350
Location: The Gatehouse, Shamblers Yard, Arctic Road
Proposal: Alterations and change of use of former offices to cafe; alterations to vehicular access and parking; siting of container to provide cycle hire facility.
- (v) **Application No:** P/00951/15 Alt Ref: TCP/10656/D
Location: 22 Battery Road
Proposal: Alterations; extension at first floor level; single storey side extensions.

- (vi) **Application No:** P/00946/15 Alt Ref: TCP/32361
Location: 1 Moor Green Road
Proposal: Demolition of sun room; single storey extension to provide dining room; dormer window on rear elevation in connection with loft conversion to form additional living accommodation.

That Cowes Town Council objects to the following applications on the grounds given:

- (i) **Application No:** P/00936/15 Alt Ref: TCP/06088/B
Location: Baileys Stores, 112 High Street
Proposal: Change of use to coffee shop (mixed Class A1/A3).

Cowes Town Council strongly objects to this application on the grounds that there are already a number of independent businesses selling coffee in the High Street. Concerns are raised about the sustainability of existing small / independent businesses which would, undoubtedly, be adversely affected and lead to a significant change in character to Cowes High Street.

- (ii) **Application No:** P/00913/15 Alt Ref: TCP/32354
Location: 17a Bridge Road
Proposal: Formation of vehicular access and hardstanding.

Cowes Town Council objects to this application on the grounds of inadequate access visibility.

- (iii) **Application No:** P/00820/15 Alt Ref: TCP/04271/S
Location: Land at Dottens Farm, Baring Road
Proposal: Outline for 11 dwellings with vehicular accesses off Baring Road; parking (re-advertised application due to amended location).

Cowes Town Council strongly opposes this application on the grounds that it encroaches on the green gap between Cowes and Gurnard and it sets a precedent for further development in the green gap. Cowes Town Council are aware that Gurnard Parish Council are finalising their Neighbourhood Plan and this proposed development falls outside of their Plan.

870 PLANNING APPEALS

There were no planning appeals to consider.

871 LICENSING APPLICATIONS

There were no licensing applications to consider.

872 TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

That the Tree Preservation Order as detailed below be noted:

TPO 2015/13 Holm Oak

Location: Land between Ward Cottages and Market Hill.

The proceedings terminated at 7.10pm.

CHAIRMAN