

COWES TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning & Licensing Committee Meeting held in the Town Council Office, Northwood House, Cowes on Wednesday 21 March 2018 at 6.15pm.

Present: Councillors R. Bartrum (Chairman), Brown, Taylor & Wardrop.

In attendance: Debbie Faulkner, Town Clerk.

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor R. Bartrum was elected Chairman for the meeting.

1258 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Fuller, Jones, Oliver & Peacey-Wilcox.

1259 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

1260 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Planning & Licensing Committee meeting held on 27 February 2018 be taken as read, approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

1261 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Town Clerk 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 planning applications:

- (i) Application No:** P/00056/18
Location: 116B High Street
Proposal: Conversion of existing residential space on three floors over existing ground floor retail unit into three one bedroom apartments.
- (ii) Application No:** P/00057/18
Location: 116B High Street
Proposal: LBC for conversion of existing residential space on three floors over existing ground floor retail unit into three one bedroom apartments.
- (iii) Application No:** P/00235/18
Location: Marks & Spencers, Terminus Road
Proposal: 1 no automatic number plate recognition camera and pole.

- (iv) **Application No:** P/00236/18
Location: Marks & Spencers, Terminus Road
Proposal: 1 x non illuminated 'pay and display' sign; 1 x non illuminated 'private property' sign; 2 x non illuminated 'have you paid and displayed' signs; 2 x non illuminated 'pay at meter' sign; 1 x non illuminated 'pay and display tariff' sign.
- (v) **Application No:** P/00277/18
Location: Red Funnel Ltd, Fountain Yard, The Arcade
Proposal: Installation of a cash machine.

1262 PLANNING DECISIONS

To receive planning decisions as detailed below:

- (i) **Application No:** P/01580/17
Location: 226 Park Road
Proposal: Demolition of conservatory and shed; proposed single storey side extensions and dormer window.
Decision: Granted Plan Permission (or issue Cert).
- (ii) **Application No:** P/00010/18
Location: 3 Consort Road
Proposal: Demolition of existing garage; replacement garage with glass link; proposed 2 storey rear extension with balcony (revised scheme).
Decision: Granted Plan Permission (or issue Cert).
- (iii) **Application No:** P/01568/17
Location: Cameo of Cowes, 16 Bath Road
Proposal: Change of use of shop (A1) to residential (C3).
Decision: Granted Plan Permission (or issue Cert).
- (iv) **Application No:** P/00038/18
Location: 14 Ward Avenue
Proposal: Proposed single/two storey extensions on front elevation to include balcony at 1st floor level; side extension to form porch.
Decision: Granted Plan Permission (or issue Cert).
- (v) **Application No:** P/01367/17
Location: 3 Solent Heights, Egypt Hill
Proposal: Construction of external staircase on rear elevation; addition of 2 x velux roof lights to north elevation (revised description) (re-advertised).
Decision: Granted Plan Permission (or issue Cert).

1263 MEDINA YARD PLANNING APPLICATION – P/000496/16

The Medina Yard planning application was due to be considered by the IW Council's Planning Committee on 13 March 2018 however that meeting was postponed and it is now scheduled to be considered at a meeting on 27 March 2018.

1264 MOBILE CATERING UNIT OUTSIDE OF THE VECTIS TAVERN

Councillors are very concerned about a mobile catering unit which has been put in place and chained to the outside of the Vectis Tavern in the High Street. The unit, although it has wheels, has not moved in a very long time and is detracting from the appearance of a listed building and the conservation area in general. Retrospective planning permission for an ATM outside of the Vectis Tavern had been refused as it was seen to be 'harmful to the setting of the listed building and the character and appearance of the conservation area' and was therefore removed. Councillors feel that the catering unit should also be removed from the site on the same grounds as the ATM. Councillors also queried whether the catering unit has a street trading licence. It was agreed:

ACTION

1. The Town Clerk will write to the IW Council's Planning Department to ask them to inspect the area outside the Vectis Tavern with a view to removing the catering unit from the area.
2. The Town Clerk will write to the IW Council's Licensing Department to ascertain whether the catering unit has a street trading licence.

1265 PLANNING APPEALS

There were no planning appeals to consider.

1266 LICENSING APPLICATIONS

(i) Application for a Premises Licence – Red Funnel Terminal, Fountain Yard

Councillors considered this application for a premises licence to supply alcohol in the Red Funnel Terminal building from 09:00 hours to 23:00 hours Monday – Saturday; 10:00 hours to 23:00 hours on Sunday; from 23:00 hours on the Thursday of the IW Festival to 05:00 hours on the Monday morning each year; from 23:00 hours on the 1st Saturday of Cowes Week to 05:00 hours on the 2nd Saturday morning each year. It was:

RESOLVED

That Cowes Town Council OBJECTS to the application for a premises licence at the Red Funnel Terminal on the following grounds:

Prevention of Crime and Disorder

This is a ferry terminal catering for all manner of passengers. The licencing for specific 'event crowds' such as IW Festival and Cowes Week will hugely increase the chances of crime and disorder.

Public Safety

These premises have been altered in recent months and there is now much less space for people to sit and wait for the ferry and to encourage more people into the terminal to buy alcohol could affect the safety and comfort of all passengers. Outside, where the area is relatively small, it has to accommodate a bus terminal, taxi rank and passenger pick up point.

Prevention of Public Nuisance

As stated above, the waiting area has shrunk due to the inclusion of a new coffee bar. Therefore during an event like IW Festival and Cowes Week, an already busy area could potentially spill outside the proposed area and cause a public nuisance including noise and littering.

Anti-Social Behaviour

The application covers the IW Festival and Cowes Week for the whole duration, from 23:00 on the eve of these events to 05:00 on the day after these events. This is 24 hour licencing and totally unnecessary. There is a high risk of disturbance to local residents when licensable activities continue late at night and into the early hours of the morning.

1267 STREET FURNITURE PERMIT – ROSALIE’S OF COWES

Councillors discussed the Street Furniture Permit for Rosalie’s of Cowes which was considered at the Cowes Town Council’s Planning & Licensing Committee meeting held on 14 March 2017. Councillors have become concerned that the street furniture has exceeded the agreed area outside of 3.86m² which is now forcing pedestrians to walk in the road. It was agreed:

ACTION

The Town Clerk will write to the IW Council’s Licensing Department with a request to inspect the area and check whether the street furniture outside of Rosalie’s of Cowes has exceeded the permit that has been granted.

1268 TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

There were no tree preservation orders to consider.

The proceedings terminated at 7.07pm.

CHAIRMAN