

**LYME REGIS TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 08 JANUARY 2019**

Present:

Members: Cllr B. Larcombe (chairman), Cllr Mrs M. Ellis, Cllr D. Hallett, Cllr G. Turner and Cllr S. Williams

Officers: Mr J. Wright (town clerk)

Absent: Cllr P. Ridley and Cllr J. Scowen

18/102/P Public Forum

Mr C. Newell, the applicant in respect of application WD/D/18/001538 (Maroc House, 2 Coram Court, Lyme Regis) attended the meeting but did not speak.

Mr K. and Mrs S. Hilman of Chestnut House, Coram Court spoke against application WD/D/18/001538 (Maroc House, 2 Coram Court, Lyme Regis).

18/103/P Apologies

Apologies for absence were given by Cllr J Broom and Cllr Mrs C. Reynolds.

18/104/P Minutes

Proposed by Cllr G. Turner and seconded by Cllr B. Larcombe, the minutes of the meeting held on 11 December 2018 were **ADOPTED** without amendment.

18/105/P Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared in relation to the business of this meeting.

18/106/P Dispensations

There was no grant of dispensations made by the town clerk in relation to the business of this meeting.

18/107/P Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 11 December 2018

There were no matters arising to be considered at this meeting.

18/108/P Update Report

There were no matters to be updated at this meeting.

18/109/P Planning Applications

Planning applications were considered in accordance with the details circulated.

The chairman introduced each planning application in turn and invited the views of members.

1) WD/D/18/002680-FULL

(Received 5 December 2018)

The National Trust – Widen existing field gate entrance, creation of an unsurfaced access track & erection of new gate– Land south of, Ware Lane, Lyme Regis.

*Members recommended that the application be **approved**.*

18/110/P Amended/Additional Plans

Members discussed application WD/D/18/001538 (Maroc House, 2 Coram Court, Lyme Regis) and saw no reasons to change their original views that the application should be recommended for refusal.

*Members recommended that the town council's previously submitted comments in respect of application WD/D/18/001538 (Maroc House, 2 Coram Court, Lyme Regis) remain unchanged in the light of the amended/additional plans, i.e., 'Members recommended that the application be **refused** on the grounds that the proposed development involves an entirely unacceptable degree of overlooking of a neighbouring property with the resultant loss of residential amenity and loss of protection to private amenity space. As a result, it is not in accordance with policies contained in either the adopted or draft reviewed West Dorset and Weymouth and Portland Local Plan and is at odds with an earlier appeal decision relating to the site and which removed normal permitted development rights.'*

18/111/P Withdrawn Applications

There were no withdrawn applications reported to this meeting. **NOTED.**

18/112/P Planning Decisions

The decisions of the planning authority were received and **NOTED.**

18/113/P Correspondence from West Dorset District Council and Dorset County Council regarding planning matters

The correspondence received from West Dorset District Council and Dorset County Council was **NOTED.**

Cllr. B. Larcombe raised his concern that there was a need to engage with the existing District Council and the new Dorset Council shadow executive to determine the intended future planning arrangements for dealing with planning applications; the future shaping of the reviewed District Local Plan under the Unitary; the contact and exchange between Lyme Planning Committee and the new Unitary planning officers and the means to attend and make representations to the new Unitary Planning Committee.

Cllr Larcombe said that he would like to meet with those representatives who will determine the future planning arrangements and asked that the town clerk arrange a meeting he would attend as chairman of Lyme Regis' Planning Committee.

Members supported this approach and the need to establish the future level of practical engagement with the Unitary and its planning system and officers.

The meeting closed at 7.31pm.