

**MINUTES** of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 01 October 2014 at 09.30 a.m. in the Shire House Suite, Shire House, Bodmin.

**PRESENT:** Chairman, Councillor K W Stubbs, presiding; together with Councillors, A J Coppin, J R Gibbs, L G J Kennedy, P Kerridge and P L G Skea.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** S M Facer (DCE) and H Stevens (Committee Clerk)

**CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS AND APOLOGIES:**

There were no announcements made.

There were no apologies received.

P/2014/193                      **PUBLIC REPRESENTATION SESSION** - An opportunity for local residents to make representations or ask questions relating to items on this agenda. (Note: a maximum of 15 minutes will be allocated for this session and there will be a time constraint of 5 minutes per speaker).

There were no members of the public present.

P/2014/194                      **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made.

P/2014/195 - PA14/08303      Decorate existing fascia sign, install new acrylic Clarks logo. Install new hanging sign and bracket - The Clarks Shop, 6 Fore Street, Bodmin - Mr Mark Goodenough, Goodenough Shoes

**Following discussion, it was AGREED to respond making the following representation:**

**Bodmin Town Council supports this application.**

P/2014/196 - PA14/08319      Application for Listed Building Consent to remove three existing church pews and replace with tables and chairs - Church Of St Lawrence, Avenue, Bodmin - Mr Stephen Facer, Bodmin Town Council

**Following discussion, it was AGREED to respond making the following representation:**

**Bodmin Town Council notes this application.**

P/2014/197 - PA14/08414      Listed Building Consent to replace worn and damaged original doors with fire door made to the original specification and measurement by Wessex Restoration - 4 Castle Street, Bodmin PL31 2DT - Mrs Trudi Port

**Following discussion, it was AGREED to respond making the following representation:**

**Bodmin Town Council supports this application.**

P/2014/198 - PA14/08680      Application for removal of condition 4 of Decision Notice PA11/06966 for Conversion of barns to form two units of holiday accommodation

(occupancy condition), namely to allow barn (unit 2) to be occupied as an unrestricted dwelling, the use of Unit 1 (which also has permission to be used in conjunction with a business) will remain unchanged - Lower Margate Farm, Bodmin PL30 4AL - Mr Martin Lester & Ms Jean Buchanan

**The DCE advised that In 2011 this property was given planning permission for use as holiday accommodation. The applicant is now seeking consent to allow this dwelling to be occupied as an unrestricted dwelling and they are of the view that continuing use as a holiday let is economically unviable as the holiday use period is for a maximum 20 to 22 week period per annum.**

**Committee noted the economic concerns raised by the applicant however considered that the holiday accommodation was sustainable and furthermore considered this application to be planning by increment.**

**Following discussion, it was AGREED to respond making the following representation:**

**Bodmin Town Council does not support this application on the grounds that by removing condition 4 of the Decision Notice associated with the previous planning application, this is deemed as incremental planning. It was noted by Committee that the cycling and tourism offer locally would underpin this type of holiday accommodation.**

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E-mail received from South West Resilience Campaign dated 11 September 2014 (copy enclosed)

**Following discussion it was AGREED to instruct Officers to draft a letter in support of the SW Resilience campaign for improvements to the transport network in the SW region and which are specifically referred in Page 2 of their letter.**

**It was further AGREED that the following recommendations be included:**

- **Bodmin Town Council is strongly in favour of a rail route diversion around the areas of and in close proximity to Dawlish and Teignmouth;**
- **Bodmin Town Council is strongly in favour of improvements to the bus, rail and road links between Bodmin Parkway Railway Station and the town including the Bodmin and Wenford Railway Station; and**
- **The Town Council would emphasise the need for the vital rail link to the South West to be allocated and receive the necessary investment to maintain this much needed and important part of the transport infrastructure which is perceived locally to be the section of rail network marginalised by schemes in London, the Midlands and the North.**

The meeting closed at 09.45 a.m.