

DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

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THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THE MEETING

16th April 2007

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at a meeting of the Development Control Committee to be held on **Wednesday 25th April 2007 at 6.00pm** in the Council Chamber, Level –1, Council Offices, Monkton Park, Chippenham.

Yours sincerely

John Watling
Policy & Democratic Services Team Leader

Councillors:

D.B. Allen	C. Crisp	P.J. Goldstone	H.T. Jones	A.J. Trotman
H.R. Barton	P.R. Davis	G.R. Greenaway	R.B. MacGregor	S.R. Walls
T.A.P. Briggs	H.M. Dixon	M.P. Hatton	T.R. Sturgis	C. Wannell

All other Councillors for information.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Membership**

The Policy and Democratic Services Team Leader will report on changes in Membership under the provisions of the Local Government (Committees and Political Groups) Regulations 1990 and Council Procedure Rule Number 4.

3. **Public Question Time/Receipt of Petitions**

To receive public questions and/or petitions in accordance with the provision of Council Procedure Rules Numbers 11 and 12. *(Please note that all questions should relate to matters of policy or practice and be of general and not individual concern - if you wish to comment on a specific planning application please contact the Committee Administrator to register to speak within the Open Forum).*

To ask a Public Question, members of the public are required to register by giving their name and address in writing to the Committee Administrator prior to the commencement of the Committee meeting.

4. **Minutes**

To approve and sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 4th April 2007 **(copy attached)**.

5. **Chairman's Announcements**

Open Forum

At this meeting there will be an opportunity for anyone wishing to comment on specific planning applications and enforcement matters on the Agenda.

The maximum period which I can allow for the Open Forum is 2 minutes per speaker and a maximum of 6 minutes for each application. I will remind each participant if they are still speaking after that length of time. I will select participants from those wishing to speak in the event that the time limit would otherwise be exceeded. I would ask participants to restrict themselves to relevant matters and to avoid repeating contributions which have already been made.

I will call participants before each Agenda item to which they wish to speak, but will ensure that, if the agent or applicant has indicated a wish to address the Committee, they are given an opportunity to do so after any other contribution on that item.

Standing Order 13.7 provides that, in cases where a member of the public has made a representation, the applicant or their agent will be permitted to respond. Is there any applicant or agent present who may wish to participate in the Open Forum and has not registered with the Committee Administrator?

For the benefit of those members of the public attending a Development Control meeting for the first time I would explain that Members of the Committee would have received the Agenda during the previous week and they will have studied the reports and recommendations. Members will also have before them Additional Information giving relevant information received after the Agenda has been despatched.

I will call out each item number, if there are no public speakers and if Members of the Committee are content with the recommendation then I will take an immediate view and the Committee will make its decision. If, however, there are issues in the report and recommendation that Members are concerned about, then a debate will ensue before a decision is made.

I will permit any Member of the District Council to speak on any item but only Members of this Committee may vote upon it. County, Town and Parish Council representatives are allowed to speak, for a maximum of 3 minutes, outside of the Open Forum.

6. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of any item contained in this Agenda.

7. Major Planning Application Protocol

The purpose of Report No.7 (**copy attached**) is to present a draft Major Planning Application Protocol for consideration by the Committee. The Report was considered by a Scrutiny Task Group looking at the subject.

8. Cricklade Country Way Project – Interim Report

This interim report (**attached as Report No.8**) has been submitted to update Members on the current situation of the application, bearing in mind the exceptional nature of the application and its wide ranging implications for the District.

9. Development Control Items

- (a) The meeting will be notified of withdrawn items
- (b) Planning Applications (Report No. 7 (b))

Representations from the public will be received prior to the relevant application.

Applications Nos. 1 – 7

10. Exclusion of Press and Public

To consider and, if appropriate, pass the following resolution:

“That under Section 100A(4) of The Local Government Act, 1972, the public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting on the grounds that the following item of business involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined below and that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information:

Agenda item/Report name	Paragraph of the Act / Schedule describing the exemption
Agenda Item 11 – Planning Application 06/03049/FUL – Land at Hill House Farm, Ditteridge, Box.	Paragraph 5

11. Planning Application 06/03049/FUL – Land at Hill House Farm, Ditteridge, Box

A key to numbering of documents used in preparing the above reports is located at the end of Development Control items on this Agenda.