



REGULATORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES of a MEETING held at COUNTY HALL, TROWBRIDGE on WEDNESDAY, 5TH DECEMBER, 2001.

PRESENT: Mrs NS Bryant (Chairman), Mr BE Atfield, Mr M Connolly, Mr PR Davis, Mr JP Johnson, Mr A Molland, Mr CEG Read, Mrs P Rugg, Mrs MSN Taylor, Mr IC West and Mr RM Willan.

Mr TP Chivers and Mr WAB Snow also attended the meeting.

1. **Membership of the Committee** The Director of Corporate Services reported that, at its meeting on 20th November, 2001, the Council:-

- (1) appointed the following members to serve on the Regulatory Committee:-

<u>Conservative</u> (7)	<u>Labour</u> (1)	<u>Liberal Democrat</u> (3)
Mrs NS Bryant	Mrs MSN Taylor	Mr BE Atfield
Mr M Connolly		Mr PR Davis
Mr JP Johnson		Mr IC West
Mr A Molland	<u>Independent</u> (1)	
Mr CEG Read	Mr C Newbury	
Mrs P Rugg		
Mr RM Willan		

Substitute Members

<u>Conservative</u>	<u>Labour</u>	<u>Liberal Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>
Mr WS Braid	Mr DJ McCarthy	Mr PCB Coleman	Mr JE Syme
Mr AI Moore		Mr JB Osborn	
Mr WR Moss		Mrs SE Webb	

- (2) appointed Mrs NS Bryant, Chairman and Mr M Connolly, Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

2. **Chairman's Announcement** The Chairman reported that, at its meeting on 19th September 2001, the Environment and Transport Committee approved the Planning Services Best Value Review Implementation Plan. This set out a number of measures to improve the delivery of the Planning Service whilst ensuring the transparency and probity of the decision making process.

One of the approved actions that would affect the Regulatory Committee was the intention to tape record the discussion and resolutions relating to planning items. This measure was increasingly being recognised as Best Practice by many planning authorities. If implemented by this Authority tape recordings would prove beneficial in a number of ways:-

1. They would provide an accurate and indisputable record of debate and resolutions on planning items, particularly important where planning applications are being considered.
2. They would aid the process of fully minuting decisions on planning applications.
3. They could be used to clarify any confusion that might arise concerning the nature of the debate on any item, the processes and protocols followed, the resolution of Committee and the reasons for the decision; particularly important if the validity of a planning decision was challenged in any way.
4. They would assist in maintaining the transparency and probity of the decision making process.

Following discussions with the Vice-Chairman, the Chairman had agreed that in the interests of pursuing Best Practice and improving service delivery all planning items dealt with by the Regulatory Committee would be taped.

3. **Public Participation** Mr DRG Rhodes, a resident of Dilton Marsh, asked a question about the speed of traffic in Dilton Marsh High Street to which the Chairman responded.
4. **Motion by Mr IC West – Netherhampton/Quidhampton: A3094 – Cycle Facility** On considering a report by the Director of Environmental Services and the views of Mr IC West,

Resolved: To request the officers to further investigate the possibility of providing a cycle facility from Netherhampton to Salisbury and, if appropriate, to add the facility to the list of potential schemes.

5. **Motion by Mr IC West – Wilton: Shaftesbury Road – Safety Camera** On considering a report by the Director of Environmental Services and the views of Mr IC West,

Resolved: To note that:-

- (1) *Shaftesbury Road, Wilton was a potential site for a safety camera under the Safety Camera Project for Wiltshire, and*
- (2) *acceptance of Wiltshire into the Safety Camera Project would result in significantly increased enforcement of speed restrictions in the County.*

6. **Salisbury: Harnham Road, Saxon Road and Montague Road – Objections to Waiting Restriction Amendments** On considering a report by the Director

of Environmental Services and on hearing the views of Mr WAB Snow, the local member,

Resolved:

- (1) *To defer consideration of waiting restriction amendments in Harnham Road and Saxon Road, Salisbury until the next meeting, to enable Mr Snow to meet with the officers to discuss traffic flows on these two roads.*
- (2) *To implement the proposals in Montague Road, Salisbury as advertised and to inform the objectors accordingly.*

7. **Alton, Bradford Leigh and Lacock: Speed Limits - Objections** On considering a report by the Director of Environmental Services and on hearing the views of local members,

Resolved:

- (1) *To defer consideration of the scheme for Alton until the next meeting, to enable Mr A Molland, the local member, to discuss details of the scheme, in Alton Priors, further with the officers.*
- (2) *To implement the various speed limit Orders for the Bradford Leigh area as advertised.*
- (3) *To implement the various speed limit Orders for Corsham Road/Notton Lane, Lacock as advertised.*
- (4) *To inform the objectors accordingly.*

8. **Laverstock: Retention of One Single Mobile Classroom with Toilets and One Double Mobile Classroom without Toilets at Salisbury St Edmunds Girls CE Secondary School, Church Road (S.01.1775.CP)** On considering a report by the Director of Environmental Services,

Resolved: *To grant planning permission, subject to the conditions set out in the Director's report.*

9. **Ham: Objections to Modification Order** On considering a report by the Director of Environmental Services and a letter from Mr D Lay, the local member,

Resolved: *To submit the Modification Order to the Planning Inspectorate, together with the comments made to the objections and representations received, and a list of the legal points the Council has considered.*

10. **Appointment of Disciplinary and Dismissal Sub-Committee & Appeals Panel** On considering a report by the Director of Corporate Services,

Resolved:

- (1) To appoint the following members to serve on the Disciplinary & Dismissal Sub-Committee:-

Conservative (2)

Liberal Democrat (1)

Mrs NS Bryant
Mrs JA Scott

Mr PR Davis

- (2) To appoint the following members to serve on the Appeals Panel:-

Conservative (2)

Liberal Democrat (1)

Mr M Connolly
Mrs JH Seager

Mr BE Atfield

11. **Exclusion of the Public**

Resolved: To agree that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 to exclude the public from the meeting for the business specified in Minute No. 12 because it is likely that if members of the public were present there would be disclosure to them of exempt information as defined in paragraph 1 of Part I of Schedule 12A to the Act.

12. **Staffing Matters**

- (1) **Corporate Services Department** On considering a report by the Director of Corporate Services,

Resolved: To approve the termination of employment of a member of the Democratic & Members' Services Unit on the grounds of redundancy with effect from 31st March 2002, on the terms as set out in the Director's report.

- (2) **Social Services Department** On considering a report by the Director of Social Services,

Resolved: To approve the temporary part time re-engagement of a former member of staff, for a three month period, to work on the provision of Social Care Services to adults through Care Trusts, as set out in the Director's report.

(Duration of meeting: 10.30am to 12.00noon)

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