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Planning & Transport Committee Meeting

MINUTES of the Planning & Transport Committee Meeting held on Monday 17th June 2024 at Washington Village Hall (Doré Room)

PRESENT: Cllr B Hanvey, Cllr P Heeley, Cllr T Keech, Cllr A Lisher (Presiding Chairman), Cllr J Luckin and Cllr J Thomas.

ALSO: Clerk to the Council Ms Z Savill. No members of the public.

The meeting was opened by the Chairman at 7:30pm.

- PT/6/24/1 Appointment of the Committee 'Chair' for the 2024/25 municipal year**
It was **RESOLVED** to appoint Cllr Lisher and he was duly elected Chairman of the Committee for the 2024/25 municipal year.
- PT/6/24/2 To Receive Apologies for absence**
All present.
- PT/6/24/3 To Receive Declarations of Interest.**
None received. The 'Chairman reminded members that previous declarations still stand (as defined under the Localism Act 2011).
- PT/6/24/4 Minutes of the last meeting on 22nd April 2024**
It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the [minutes of the last Planning & Transport Committee Meeting](#) held on 22nd April 2024.
- PT/6/24/5 Public Speaking**
None.
- PT/6/24/6 To Report Actions and Matters Arising from the last meeting**
A report actions and matters arising from the last meeting (Appendix A) were previously circulated and noted. It was agreed to contact Cllr Beard for a report of the site meeting with Kia garage on 1st May.
- PT/6/24/7 To Consider commenting on the amended planning application:**
[DC/23/0701 | Demolition of existing kennels and cattery buildings/structures, and existing dwellings. Erection of a 60-bed care home \(Class C2\) and 8No. age restricted bungalows \(Class C3\) with associated access, landscaping and other](#)



[works \(including relocation of existing staddle stone barn\). | Old Clayton Boarding Kennels Storrington Road Washington West Sussex RH20 4AG \(horsham.gov.uk\)](#)

The Committee considered the revision to the proposed offer of affordable accommodation in the application, a new material consideration.

Following a discussion it was **RESOLVED** to resubmit the Council's strong objection to the application previously submitted on 18th January 2024, and to comment that the offer of affordable accommodation is both derisory and unacceptable.

PT/6/24/8 To Consider commenting on the planning application:
[DC/24/0722 | Removal of existing outbuilding. Erection of a single storey side extension. | Mulberry Hazelwood Close Storrington West Sussex RH20 3HX \(horsham.gov.uk\)](#)

The Committee was **RESOLVED** to make **NO OBJECTION** to the application.

PT/6/24/9 To Consider commenting on the planning application:
[SDNP/24/02244/PA15B | To undertake electricity works within the South Downs National Park as shown and annotated on the plan. | Highden Washington West Sussex RH20 4BA](#)

The Committee was **RESOLVED** to make **NO COMMENT** to the application.

PT/6/24/10 Planning Decisions and Appeals and Compliance

It was noted that no reports of significant planning decisions, appeals or compliance matters were received from the Local Planning Authority in time for the meeting.

It was further noted that Cllr Grech had agreed at the last Full Council meeting to make enquiries on the application for dog kennels at a property in Rock Road.

A matter regarding the road sweeping requirement by the Washington Quarry (planning reference WSCC/104/13/SR) operator would be included in the next Full Council agenda.

PT/6/24/11 To Discuss a [Report on traffic issues in Washington Village](#) and how suggested measures can be taken forward.

The Committee considered the measures recommended at the recent Sussex Safer Roads Partnership meeting on 25th April 2024, to slow traffic through the village.

Details of Community Speed Watch were also circulated and it was noted that a resident had confirmed their interest in joining the scheme if one is set up.

Two members were pleased to report that they had seen the Bostal road/A24 junction and A24 bus lane being actively policed.

Following a discussion it was agreed that a community Speed Watch scheme could be an effective option. Members agreed not to pursue a TRO for a 40mph speed limit on the Bostal road. It was felt that the speed reduction would be ineffective, given the recorded speed data which averaged speeds below 40mph.

It was noted that WSCC was to advise on the protocol for the option of CCTV signage at the Bostal/A24 junction. Cllr Marshall had agreed at the last Full Council meeting to chase up on 'slow down' signage agreed at by the Partnership

The Committee **RESOLVED** to support the principle of a Speed Watch scheme in the village by community volunteers. Details of the scheme and an appeal for volunteers to be published on the Council's website. Clerk to action. Cllr Luckin agreed to refer to the article via the local Facebook page.

PT/6/24/12 To Discuss a [Report on traffic issues on Rock Road](#) and how suggested measures can be taken forward.

A copy of a resident's proposed traffic measures along Rock Road towards the A24 junction was previously circulated and discussed.

The Committee **RESOLVED** to support in principle a proposed 40mph speed restriction on the national speed limit section of Rock Road. Clerk to notify the resident and advise them on the TRO application process published on the WSCC website.

PT/6/24/13 To Consider an invitation from Ward Councillors to attend the next [Storrington Traffic Group meetings](#) on Thursday 20th June and Wednesday 10th July 2024.

The Chairman agreed to attend the Traffic Group meeting on 20th June and report back to the next Full Council meeting on 1st July.

PT/6/24/14 HDC Development Management Peer Review

To Receive and note the Review and Action Plan May 2024 and to Consider an invitation to suggest matters to be raised at the HDC Parish Council Training in September. HDC advised that the documents were not for wider circulation.

Due to insufficient time to consider this item, the Chairman moved a procedural motion to defer this to the next meeting. All agreed.


PT/6/24/15 To Delegate arrangements for clerking the next meeting on Monday 19th August and responses to significant planning applications which cannot be deferred to the next meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Heeley would clerk the meeting if convened; and that comments on any significant planning applications which cannot be deferred to the next meeting, to be delegated to the Committee by email.



PT/2/24/16 **Date and Time of next committee meeting**
Monday 19th August 2024, 7:00pm

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7:52pm.

Signed...  ...dated... 16/09/24