

GAINSBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES of a MEETING of the Planning and Development Committee held at Richmond House, Richmond Park, Morton Terrace, Gainsborough on Thursday 21 January 2016 at 7:00pm

Present: Councillor Barry Coward (Chairman)

Councillor David Dobbie
Councillor Michael Hopper
Councillor Keith Panter
Councillor Kenneth Woolley

In Attendance:

Matthew Gleadell Clerk to the Council

Also Present : Eve Fawcett Moralee (WLDC)
Graeme Moore (WLDC)
Steve Wiles (Lincs County Council)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND REASONS GIVEN

None received.

2. TO RECEIVE MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LOCALISM ACT 2011 AND TO RECEIVE ANY APPLICATIONS FOR DISPENSATION

None received.

3. MINUTES (Paper A)

i. Minutes of the meeting of Planning and Development held Thursday 17 December 2015

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning and Development Committee meeting held on Thursday 17 December 2015 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

4. HOUSING ZONE

Eve explained progress with a Local Development Order for the gateway riverside Housing Zone project. Members gave their input into the development.

Much discussion ensued about the potential for a 2nd bridge over the river and its impact on the Housing Zone site. The WLDC view was that the site cannot be preserved for a bridge. There was strong opposition from the Town Council members who felt that both a bridge and a housing development could be achieved.

Eve was concerned that the Town Council may object to the LDO.

5. CENTRAL LINCOLNSHIRE LOCAL PLAN

Graham had circulated his written response to the Councils response to the CLLP. Graham reiterated certain points made in that written reply in particular in relation to the design guide. It was felt that neighbourhood plans would be a good tool for reinforcing a design led approach to planning going forward. Members had received and noted Grahams written comments.

6. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Eve Fawcett Morallee and Graham Moore outlined their thoughts about the future of the town centre and how their work and plans will link with the town councils neighbourhood plan. Consideration was given to producing a Supplementary Planning Document for the town centre either in place of or to compliment a neighbourhood plan.

Various views were exchanged about the town centre and its future as well as its links with the riverside.

Eve and Graham highlighted that they are working on a mini Infrastructure Delivery Plan for Gainsborough.

Some discussion was held around the proposed Lidl site and its merits in terms of its heritage impact. A wider heritage led town centre development scheme was discussed and WLDC kindly provided various draft plans and documents for the Town Council to consider.

7. NATIONAL PLANNING POLICY FRAMEWORK

There being insufficient time to properly deal with this matter it was proposed to create a small working group to meet on Monday 25th January 2016 at 2.00pm to prepare and submit the response to the Consultation before the deadline.

RESOLVED to confer authority on a working group comprising of all members of the Planning authority wishing to attend to prepare and submit the response to the consultation at a meeting to be held on Monday 25th January 2016 at 2.00pm.

The meeting concluded at 8.45pm.