

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the **REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE** held in the Stable Block Meeting Room, Stone House, Corve Street, Ludlow on **TUESDAY 16th MARCH 2010 at 7PM**

R27/10 **PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr Wilcox

Vice Chairman: Cllr Hunt

Councillors: Aitken, Callender, Jackson, McCormack and Parry

Officers: Gina Wilding, Admin Assistant

Also attending: Cllrs Derek Davies & Martin Taylor-Smith

Cllr Rosanna Taylor-Smith, Shropshire Council;
Ian Kilby, Shropshire Council; Rob Mills, Shropshire Council, Colin Richards, Shropshire Council; Rachel Parry, Shropshire Council; John Nash, Ludlow Civic Society

R28/10 **APOLOGIES**

No apologies for absence were received

R29/10 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In accordance with the terms of the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (England) Order 2007 issued under Section 51 of the Local Government Act 2000 Members declared interests as follows: -

No declarations of personal or prejudicial interests were made

R30/10 **OPEN SESSION**

There were six members of the public present (as listed above).

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
Rosanna Taylor-Smith	Mill Street, Ludlow

Cllr R Taylor-Smith spoke in relation to Item 10a) **Core Strategy**. She wished to inform the Committee that the transport hub in Ludlow had recently been allocated £1.2m by Shropshire Councillors. She offered her assistance in regard to item 10b) **Traffic Signage on the Northern Approach to Ludlow**. She also commented on item 10d) **Changes to parking charges in Ludlow**. The revised parking charges had already been approved by Shropshire Council, and therefore the time limit for comments on the matter had expired.

R31/10 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting of the **REPRESENTATIONAL COMMITTEE** held on **Tuesday 23rd February 2010** were deferred to the next meeting.

R32/10 PLANNING TRAINING FROM SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL

Ian Kilby, Shropshire Council gave a powerpoint presentation covering development management, material planning considerations and PPS4. Rob Mills, Shropshire Council, Colin Richards, Shropshire Council; Rachel Parry, Shropshire Council also contributed to the training session.

It was **RESOLVED** that another training session should be arranged to discuss some of the recent important planning applications in Ludlow, so that members could more fully understand the process and their role within it.

R33/10 OTHER ORGANISATIONS

- (a) The agenda and minutes for the Ludlow Conservation Area Advisory Committee were **NOTED**

R34/10 PROJECT SUPPORT GRANTS

- (a) Members considered an application from Bridgnorth & South Shropshire Crucial Crew and **RESOLVED** to award £200.
- (b) Members considered the letter received from Marches District GirlGuides, and **RESOLVED** that in the circumstances they would not ask for the money to be returned, although they would not usually award a grant to fund a purely entertainment based event.

R35/10 PLANNING DECISIONS FROM SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL

The decisions listed below were **NOTED**

09/03468/FUL **Decision** Refused
 09/03469/LBC **Decision** Refused
 10/00296/TCA **Decision** No Objection
 10/00428/TCA **Decision** No Objection

R36/10 PLANNING APPLICATIONS COMMENTS

The following comments were made to Shropshire Council:

10/00570/COU	Units 2a And 2b Palmers House 7 Corve Street Ludlow	No objection
10/00606/TCA	Maryvale, Mill Street, Ludlow	Delegated to Tree Warden
10/00869/TPO	22 Old Street, Ludlow	Delegated to Tree Warden
10/00717/OUT	Land adjacent to Cold Weston Drive, Ludlow	No objection

R37/10 PLANNING, TRANSPORT, PARKING & PATHS

a) **Core Strategy Final Plan**

Cllrs **RESOLVED** that in the main the final plan was sound.

However, they would like to raise a number of individual points:

- With the definition of soundness given, I doubt we can make many comments. Only possibility seems to be on "most appropriate judged against other alternatives"
- it is clear that the population is growing - and growing older (!) and the need for adaptable housing (esp care homes) is apparent. The affordable housing issue is major due to the low incomes, unemployment etc. but there seems little reference to the predicted situation - the recession is barely mentioned - nor the state of agriculture - and I think there should be more account taken of future trends. Very happy to see affordable housing provision to be expected on all developments of 5 dwellings and above. 60% development on brownfield sites sounds good - where are the brownfield sites here?
- I can't reconcile the detailed figures for the housing build in Ludlow but thought we had more time on this
- No mention of the Transport hub
- No measure to track affordable housing completions and occupation
- Employment land to set aside will be greater than in the past
- Should be more emphasis on developing opportunities for more walking and cycling and creating the conditions to encourage this

b) **Traffic Signage on Northern Approach to Ludlow**

Members considered the representation from a resident of Ludlow, and **RESOLVED** to ask the Town Clerk to arrange a meeting for all interested

parties, which include Ludlow Town Council, Shropshire Council, Ludlow Civic Society, and Ludlow Tourism Group.

c) Memorial to Past Mayors

Members **RESOLVED** that the dedication of the refurbished fountain was not an appropriate memorial to the memory of past former Mayor's Graeme Kidd and David Lloyd.

Members felt that a more suitable memorial, especially to David Lloyd would be an educational prize.

Members were also concerned that resources available to establish the memorial(s) should not be divided with the result that neither Mayor is given a suitable memorial.

d) Changes to parking charges in Ludlow

Members discussed the way the consultation about the parking charges had taken place. The item was taken to the LJC in October 2009, but not to Ludlow Town Council. Councillors were concerned that this method of consultation was not following the spirit of the draft Charter for Shropshire Councils

e) Wind Turbine

Members **NOTED** the successful campaign of Ludlow resident

The meeting closed at **9:05pm**

Chairman

Date

NB: No confidential minutes will be issued