



# ANDOVER TOWN COUNCIL

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## Minutes of Planning Committee

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### Time and date

6.00pm on Monday, 8 May 2017

### Place

Town Council Office, 66C High Street, Andover

### Details of Attendance:

Cllr B Long (Chairman) (P)

Cllr A Cotter (Vice-Chairman) (P)

Cllr C Bartholomew (P)

Cllr L Gregori (P)

Cllr B Carpenter (P)

Cllr R Kidd (P)

Cllr C Ecclestone (P) left at 7.37pm

Cllr R Rowles (A)

### Officers Present:

Wendy Coulter (Town Clerk) (Taking the Minutes)

**Members of Public Present: 1**

**Members of the Press: 0**

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**PC 266/16**

### Apologies

No apologies were received.

**PC 267/16**

### Declarations of Interest

No declarations were made.

**PC 268/16**

### Minutes

The Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 24 April 2017 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record of the meeting.

**RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on Monday 24 April 2017 be signed, by the Chairman, as a correct record.**

**PC 269/16**

### Public Participation

Mr Nigel Long made comment regarding 5.2. He was concerned about the Rendezvous change of use. Mr Long noted that if this was allowed to happen then there would no longer be a downstairs meeting space in the town centre. He stated that Test Valley Borough Council had not consulted the public, he disputed the claim that there was a lack of use, groups have been told that the Rendezvous was ~~often~~ not available. Mr Long felt that the response in the Advertiser was incorrect regarding other community halls. The Rendezvous only came into use in 2008 after the lower Guildhall was leased as a restaurant, the change of use will prohibit any other use.

**PC 270/16**

### Planning Applications (Test Valley Borough Council)

The following observations from lists 15, 16 and 17 were made and submitted to the Planning Authority, Test Valley Borough Council:

5.1	17/00868/FULLN 11.04.2017 ANDOVER TOWN (ALAMEIN)	8 new build social housing residential properties to replace 3 disused parking courts; new entrance porches to existing dwellings, bin stores and improvements to external landscape works to existing houses and provision for new onsite parking to houses. Improvements including new fencing, landscape and parking improvements.	Land Surrounding Vespasian Road, Andover, Hampshire, SP10 5JP
<p><b>Objection: the application states that 93 car parking spaces are provided and then another table states 95. Only 85 are shown. Block A was highlighted by The Town Council previously as overbearing to the bungalows south of Block A. Officers are requested to create a shadow diagram for Block A projecting to bungalows to the south. There are no parking spaces created for properties 21- 39. There is no planting scheme to explain what proposals there are for removal of grass areas. There is no indication of what materials the parking spaces will be made of. The parking areas should be of permeable materials. Residents have approached the Town Council with their concerns about the consultation on this proposal, including: Levels of light, the promise of more green areas, location of parking spaces, loss of their own green spaces. No landscaping plan has been provided.</b></p>			
5.2	17/00956/FULLN 18.04.2017 ANDOVER TOWN (ST MARYS)	Change of use from community group/meeting hall (classes A1/A3/D1) to form a Test Centre for delivering screen-based tests	The Rendezvous , 8-10 Union Street, Andover, SP10 1PA
<p>For minutes: It was noted that Millway has no community centre or allotments. Harroway also has no community centre.</p> <p>The Town Council tried to book the Rendezvous for Committee meetings but was told it was not unavailable. The Rendezvous was created for community use when the lower Guildhall was changed to restaurant. Only community hall with ground floor disable access. All other community centres are outside the town centre.</p> <p>Cllr L Gregori proposed and Cllr C Bartholomew seconded that Standing Orders be suspended. A vote was taken that was unanimous.</p> <p><b>Resolved: that Standing Orders be suspended</b></p> <p>Mr Nigel Long presented the document that was sent to Oscom on the 26 April, outlining that it was for community groups to use. £17275 inc. out £22, 722 £1851 mth in £1335.80 mth out. Used for 29 hours – 38 hours per month Public document Oscom.</p> <p>Cllr B Long proposed and Cllr R Kidd seconded that Standing Orders be reinstated. A vote was taken that was unanimous.</p> <p><b>Resolved: that Standing Orders be reinstated.</b></p> <p><b>Objection: The Rendezvous was created in 2007 as a community space to replace the ground floor accommodation in the Guildhall. According to the Oscom papers of 26 April 2017 a community user has asked to take over lease. The Town Council asked for a block booking and was told it was unavailable. There are no reasons given as to why the centre has to use this building instead of any other town centre unit. There are no other ground floor community halls in the town centre and a change of use from community use should be refused.</b></p>			

Please see appendix B for the Observations of the Planning Committee submitted to Test Valley Borough Council.

**PC 271/16 Decision Notices**

The decision notices from lists 15, 16 and 17 were noted.

**PC 272/16 Andover Access plan**

It was agreed to look on the Hampshire website regarding the policy on parking on pavements. If appropriate any parking on pavements needs to be reported to the police.

PC21 – parking control has been completed

PC24 – Car park security, it was believed that measures to install a pay on exit scheme is due to be installed. It was agreed that the Highways team be contacted to find out when the machines will be changed over.

It was suggested that the time of closure of the Chantry Street car park be changed to allow parking for the theatre. This would allow the theatre to be used in the evenings.

**PC 273/16**

**Street Naming**

There were no Street Naming Applications.

**PC 274/16**

**Communications from TVBC**

The car park at Shepherds Spring Lane has been granted permission.

**PC 275/16**

**Test Valley Borough Council – Northern Area Planning Committee**

There were no communications from Test Valley Borough Council regarding the Northern Area Planning Committee.

**PC 276/16**

**Telecommunications Applications**

There were no Telecommunication Applications to be considered. It was agreed that British Telecom need to be contacted to get an update.

**PC 277/16**

**Communications from Hampshire County Council**

It was noted that the Anton School consultation period has been extended.

**PC 278/16**

**Street Trading Licences**

There were no Street Trading Licences to consider.

**PC 279/16**

**Items for consideration at the next meeting**

Continue to review Andover Town Access Plan

It was noted that Test Valley Borough Council have offered training on commenting on planning applications. Members requested that this be included on the next agenda.

Members also suggested that a planning officer be invited to a meeting of the Planning Committee.

**PC 280/16**

**Date of next meeting**

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as **Tuesday 30 May 2017 at 6pm, at the Guildhall.**

**The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.52 pm**

CHAIRMAN .....

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