



# East Cowes Town Council

Minutes of the Town Plan Meeting of East Cowes Town Council held on 3rd July 2014 at 7pm in the Town Hall, York Avenue, East Cowes.

## **PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr M Lloyd Mayor  
Cllrs: Hooper, Webster, Rann, Barton O.B.E., Hendry and P. Lloyd  
Town Clerk Tina Bailey  
In attendance: Eight members of public

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

It was reported that a resident had advised of problems submitting comments on the IWC website consultation. The meeting was informed that responses had to be copied and pasted.

### **1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllr Hillard sent her apologies due to an IWC meeting at the same time.

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

- (i) To receive declarations of pecuniary and non pecuniary interests
- (ii) To receive and consider granting any written requests for dispensations.  
None

### **3. TOWN PLAN**

Simon Craddock explained that the town plan is a statement of opinion and differs from a neighbourhood plan. Once adopted and submitted it will be used to make representations known.

Stated that the TC should have policy statement therefore any plans approved must continue to allow East Cowes waterfront to be open to public access i.e. as public open space.

It was noted that the plan is a draft plan and not the final version.

### **4. DESIGN STATEMENT**

Concern was raised that the Design Statement adopted in 2008 has not been included in the Town Plan submission. The Design Statement is as an integral part in providing guidance for the design of properties in the town in existing and new developments.

#### **Proposal**

That the design statement is appended to as part of the Town Plan

#### **RESOLVED**

That the Design Statement is appended as part of to the Town Plan

### **5. FLOATING BRIDGE**

#### **Proposal**

The majority of residents asked about the future of a Chain Ferry expressed the view that it was an essential link to the Town and as far as the Town Plan is concerned we strongly support the introduction of a new bridge, free to foot passengers and preferably controlled by the public sector.

#### **RESOLVED**

The following statement will be included as an addendum to the Town Plan – that the majority of residents asked about the future of a Chain Ferry expressed the view that it

was an essential link to the Town and as far as the Town Plan is concerned we strongly support the introduction of a new bridge and preferably controlled by the public sector.

## **6. TO COMMENT ON THE AREA ACTION PLAN – MEDINA VALLEY AAP**

### **6.1 Proposal**

A response had been drafted by Cllr Barton and circulated to all Councillors at a previous meeting.

#### **RESOLVED**

The responses were agreed

### **6.2 Proposal**

Cllr Lloyd submitted additional comments which were discussed

#### **RESOLVED**

The responses were agreed

### **6.3 Proposal**

The TC request a reduction in the settlement boundary so that Crossways Field, Queensgate Primary School and the Victoria Football field should be excluded from the settlement boundary to maintain the perceived green gap between Whippingham and East Cowes which would be in line with the public opinion shown in the draft Town Plan p.32

#### **RESOLVED**

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### **6.4 Proposal**

To submit comment no: 4, 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3 as above, as the Town Council's response to the AAP Medina Valley consultation along with copy of the draft Town Plan document and the Design Statement as an addendum.

#### **RESOLVED**

To submit comment no: 4, 5.1, 5.2 and 5.3 as above, as the Town Council's response to the AAP Medina Valley consultation along with copy of the draft Town Plan document and copy of the Design Statement as an addendum. ( Appendix A)

## **7. COMPLETION OF TOWN PLAN**

### **Proposal**

To ask David Long to complete the Town Plan, which should include the Design Statement and Floating Bridge Statement and to bring the document back to the Town Council for final ratification and adoption

#### **RESOLVED**

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The Mayor closed the meeting at 20.10

**Mayor**..... **Date** .....