

**MINUTES of the PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL**

Held at Stanley Civic Hall, Front Street, Stanley on Tuesday 5th April 2016 at 6.00pm

**PRESENT:** Cllr W Nixon\*                      Cllr D Mills                      Cllr D Walker                      Cllr J Charlton  
                  Cllr A Clegg                                  Cllr M Wilkinson                      Cllr G Graham                      Cllr J Nicholson  
                  Cllr R Harrison                              Cllr C Thompson                      Cllr D Tully

\*Chairman

**OFFICERS:** Alan Shaw (Town Clerk)  
                  Nicola James (PA to the Town Clerk)

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Mandy English & Gary Crooks (First Point Training) & 4 Members of Public

**598                      APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Cllrs L Marshall, C Bell and D Marshall were accepted by the Committee.

**599                      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**600                      PROCEDURAL AND APPROPRIATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN OR TOWN CLERK**

The Town Clerk noted that no one was recording this meeting.

**601                      PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The Chair requested that any questions from the public be left till the end of the meeting once Mandy English had given her presentation re: Stanfield House.

**602                      CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

It was proposed by Cllr R Harrison, seconded by Cllr G Graham and **RESOLVED** that the Committee approve the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 2nd February 2016.

**603                      PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Chair introduced Mandy English to Members, who will be giving an update on the Stanfield House application.

Mandy noted that First Point Training (FPT) are not the owners of Stanfield House and they have not invested an money into the project. They were approached in March 2015 by the owners to use 2 training rooms when the building has been refurbished. When the owners started the refurbishment, the idea was to have residential and training rooms. FPT helped the owners design a new community development project. The model 'The Village' was introduced to fit with the communities traditional values. The residential and training rooms will be separated in the building and Castledene will oversee the tenancies. FPT will interview potential residents before their tenancy is agreed. There are plans for a concierge to be on site, and for residents to be involved in the upkeep of the grounds. There are also plans for a cafe to be open 6 days a week, until 7pm.

The Chair thanked Mandy for her update. It was proposed by Cllr R Harrison, seconded by Cllr A Clegg and **RESOLVED** that the Committee support the planning application for Stanfield House based on the information provided.

#### 604 TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Clerk noted the changes he proposes for the Committees terms of reference. It was **RESOLVED** that the following changes be approved:

- (i) Amend paragraph PC2 to leave the frequency of meetings at the discretion of members rather than have a scheduled timetable, i.e:

'PC2 - The Committee shall meet at the discretion of the Chair of the Committee. In addition, any two members of the Committee may convene a meeting of the Committee if the Chairman does not or refuses to within 7 days of a written request for a meeting to be called.'

- (ii) Add an additional paragraph to PC4:

'h) To lead the Neighbourhood planning process on behalf of Council, including the establishment and oversight of any steering groups that may be required.'

- (iii) Update the quorum to reflect Full Council membership

#### 605 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 3rd May 2016, 6.00pm, Stanley Civic Hall