

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

REGULATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES of A meeting of the Regulation Committee held in the Council Chamber, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone on Tuesday, 19 May 2009.

PRESENT: Mr M J Harrison (Chairman) Mr A D Crowther (Vice-Chairman)
Mr A R Bassam, Mr T J Birkett, Mr C J Capon, Mr I S Chittenden, Mr L Christie,
Mr J Curwood, Mr J A Davies, Mr C Hibberd (Substitute for Mr A H T Bowles),
Mr M J Northey (Substitute for Mr W A Hayton), Mrs P A V Stockell and
Mr F Wood-Brignall

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs S Thompson (Head of Planning Applications Group),
Mr R Gregory (Principal Planning Officer Enforcement), Mr C Wade (PROW Team
Manager (definition)), Mr G Rusling (Public Rights of Way Service Delivery
Manager) and Mr A Tait (Democratic Services Officer)

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

8. Membership (Item. 1)

(1) The Committee noted that Dr T R Robinson had replaced Mr R A Pascoe as a Member of the Committee.

(2) The Committee recorded its thanks to Mr A R Bassam, Mr I T N Jones and Mr F Wood-Brignall for all their work on the Committee's behalf, particularly in respect of their work on Member Panels and Home to School Transport Appeal Panels.

9. Minutes (Item. 4)

(1) The Minutes of the Member Panel held on 12 May 2009 were tabled.

(2) RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meetings of the Committee held on 27 January 2009 and of the Member Panels held on 16 February 2009 and 12 May 2009 are correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chairman.

10. Gating Orders (Item. 5)

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

11. Update on Village Green issues (Item. 6)

(1) The PROW Team Manager (definition) informed the Committee that the County Council had been directed by the High Court to make an Order to modify the Definitive Map and Statement by showing the Old Coach Road claimed route on the former Bayham Estate, Tunbridge Wells at footpath status. This overturned in part the decision taken by the Member Panel on 5 April 2005.

(2) RESOLVED that the report be noted.

12. Update on Planning Enforcement Issues

(Item. 7)

(1) Mr R W Gough was present for this item pursuant to Committee Procedure Rule 2.24 and spoke.

(2) The Committee noted that the Head of Planning Applications Group would be reporting in greater detail on Swale enforcement cases including Raspberry Hill Park Farm, Iwade to the next meeting of the Committee.

(3) RESOLVED to endorse the actions taken or contemplated on the respective cases set out in paragraphs 5 to 29 of the report and those contained contained within Schedules 1 to 3 in Appendices 1 to 3 of the report.

EXEMPT ITEMS

(Open Access to Minutes)

(Members resolved that under Section 100A of the Local Government 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 5 and 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act)

13. Update on Planning Enforcement issues at Four Gun Field, Upchurch

(Item. 10)

(1) The Head of Planning Applications Group reported the latest enforcement position concerning Four Gun Field, Otterham Quay Lane, Upchurch.

(2) RESOLVED that the Officers of the Planning Enforcement Team be thanked for their efforts and achievements in relation to the site and that the enforcement strategy outlined in paragraphs 4, 5, 10 and 11 of the report be endorsed.

14. Update on Planning Enforcement issues at Deal Field Shaw, Charing

(Item. 11)

(1) The Head of Planning Applications Group reported on the latest enforcement position concerning the Deal Field Shaw (Shaw Grange) former landfill site, Charing.

(2) The Committee expressed the view that all monies set aside for restoration of the site should be used for that purpose.

(3) RESOLVED that the enforcement and site strategy set out in paragraphs 5 to 10 of the report be endorsed.