

KENT COUNTY COUNCIL

REGULATION COMMITTEE

MINUTES of A meeting of the Regulation Committee held in the Council Chamber, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone on Thursday, 18 September 2008.

PRESENT: Mr M J Harrison (Chairman) Mr A D Crowther (Vice-Chairman) Mr T J Birkett, Mr A H T Bowles, Mr I S Chittenden, Mr L Christie, Mr J Curwood, Mr J A Davies, Mr T Gates, Mr C Hart, Mr W A Hayton, Mr I T N Jones, DL, Mr R E King (Substitute for Mr A R Bassam), Mr R A Pascoe, 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), Miss M McNeir (Public Rights Of Way Officer (Definition Team)) and Mr A Tait (Democratic Services Officer)

ALSO PRESENT: Mr G Brown Audit Commission

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

14. Minutes
(Item. 3)

- (1) The Minutes of the Regulation Committee Member Panel meeting of 15 September 2008 were tabled.
- (2) RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meetings of the Committee held on 20 May 2008 and of the Member Panels held on 10 June 2008, 2 September 2008 and 15 September 2008 are correctly recorded and that they be signed by the Chairman.

15. Meetings of the Committee in 2009
(Item. 4)

The Committee noted the following meeting dates in 2009:-

Tuesday, 27 January 2009;
Tuesday, 19 May 2009; and
Tuesday, 10 September 2009.

16. Commons Act 2006 - DEFRA Pilot Project
(Item. 5)

RESOLVED to note:-

- (a) the County Council's role and participation in the pilot implementation of Part 1 of the Commons Act 2006;
- (b) the additional responsibilities identified within the Commons Act 2006 and falling within the remit of the Committee; and
- (c) the further presentation to be given on this issue to Members of the Council on 27 October 2008.

17. Draft Procedures for Member Panels to consider Gating Orders.
(Item. 6)

RESOLVED that the draft Procedures be agreed as set out in the Appendix to these Minutes for use by Member Panels in determining Gating Order applications.

18. Update on Planning Enforcement Issues
(Item. 7)

RESOLVED to endorse the actions taken or contemplated on the respective cases set out in paragraphs 11 to 26 of the report and those contained within Appendices 1 to 3 on pages 27 to 44 of the agenda papers.

19. Update on Planning Enforcement issues at Four Gun Field, Upchurch
(Item. 8)

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

(2) RESOLVED to endorse the strategy outlined in paragraphs 8 to 15 of the report.

20. Update on Planning Enforcement issues at Deal Field Shaw, Charing
(Item. 9)

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

(2) RESOLVED to endorse the enforcement strategy outlined in paragraphs 5 to 7 of the report.

21. Update on Planning Enforcement issues at Riverfield Fish Farm, Staplehurst
(Item. 10)

(1) The Head of Planning Applications Group reported the County Council's role in the enforcement process at Riverfield Fish Farm, Staplehurst.

- (2) RESOLVED to endorse the enforcement stance outlined in paragraphs 4 to 17 of the report.