

PLANNING DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE

25 May 2005

APPOINTMENT OF SUB-COMMITTEES AND REPRESENTATIVES 2005/2006

REPORT OF CITY SECRETARY AND SOLICITOR

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RECENT REFERENCES:

PDC428, Appointment of Sub Committees etc 2004/2005, 28 June 2004

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

At the commencement of the Municipal Year, and as a consequence of membership changes to the Planning Development Control Committee, it is necessary to review the appointment of Sub-Committees, and other representatives made by the Committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1 That the following Sub-Committees be re-appointed (or newly appointed) and their terms of reference be endorsed:
  - Planning Development Control (Viewing) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Telecommunications) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Knowle Hospital) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Chilbolton Avenue, Winchester) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Chesil Street, Winchester) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Police Headquarters, Winchester) Sub-Committee (new Sub Committee)
  - Planning Development Control (Learning Resources Centre, Peter Symonds College, Winchester) Sub-Committee (new Sub Committee)

2 That the following Sub Committees be not reappointed:

- Planning Development Control (1-7 Chilbolton Avenue, Winchester) Sub-Committee
- Planning Development Control (Royal Observer Corps, Winchester) Sub-Committee
- Planning Development Control (Hampshire Chronicle, High Street, Winchester) Sub-Committee
- Planning Development Control (Peeks, Kings Worthy) Sub-Committee
- Planning Development Control (Lower House, Wickham) Sub-Committee

3 That a Member be appointed to the Stockbridge Oilfield Liaison Panel.

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##### DETAIL:

- 1.1. Appointments to the formal Sub-Committees need to be in accordance with the 'political balance formula' laid down in the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 (unless alternative arrangements are agreed). Using the 2005-2006 composition of the Council, to achieve at least one representative from each political group a minimum of 9 members are required on formal Sub-Committees (4:3:1:1).
- 1.2. Members may also wish to note that on a number of other general points:
  - a) As far as membership of Sub-Committees is concerned, it will largely be a matter of receiving the appropriate number of nominations from party groups;
  - b) The relevant names from the party groups should be available at the time of the appointment;
  - c) Each party group may nominate one Deputy for each Sub-Committee;
  - d) Membership need not be restricted to only those Members serving on the parent Committee and any other Member of the Council may be invited to serve, particularly where a certain interest or expertise would be useful to the work of that body;
  - e) Where cross Committee work is involved, there should be only one parent Committee;
  - f) The terms of reference of each body should be reviewed in order that it is clear about what it can and cannot do;
  - g) Members serving on the Planning Development Control Committee and its Sub Committees are required to undertake specific training in planning matters either before appointment or as soon as possible after appointment.
- 1.3. Generally, except where indicated below, all Sub-Committees are appointed to consider and make recommendations to the main Committee on particular issues.
- 1.4. The existing Sub-Committees etc of the Planning Development Control Committee are set out below:
2. **Viewing Sub-Committee**
  - 2.1. Where the Committee decides that a particular application gives rise to problems or circumstances that can only be fully appreciated by a site inspection, a Sub-Committee of five Members is appointed to visit the site to consider and recommend upon the proposal. A report of the Sub-Committee's deliberations with

its recommendation(s) is then made to the next Development Control meeting for decision.

- 2.2. The Sub-Committee consists of the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and three other Members who are appointed on an alphabetical rota basis from the membership of the Planning Development Control Committee. A substitute Member can be called (i.e. next on the rota) provided the Committee Administrator is notified in sufficient time by the Member who cannot attend. The Ward Member(s) and a representative of the appropriate Parish Council are also invited to attend the meeting, in addition to the applicant and/or his agent. Objectors/supporters are notified of the date of the visit, which is also advertised on site.

### 3. **Applications for Mobile Phone Masts**

- 3.1. In accordance with the decision made by the Planning Development Control Committee on 24 May 2001 regarding appointments, all members of the Committee are able to attend meetings of the Telecommunications Sub Committee.

- 3.2. At its meeting on 22 May 2003, the Planning Development Control Committee agreed that it would be of benefit to appoint a permanent Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Telecommunications Sub-Committee to assist in developing an area of expertise in this important area of the Council's work. Councillor Bennetts was appointed as Chairman and Councillor Baxter was appointed as Vice-Chairman.

- 3.3. For ease of administration on site it is usually suggested that the Chairman, Vice Chairman and at least 3 additional Members be invited to attend, although other members of the Committee can attend and vote if they so wish. The terms of reference of the Sub Committee are as follows and Members are reminded that the applications will be determined on site:

- (a) "To determine, on behalf of the Council, applications for determinations, and the granting or refusing of prior approvals, under Part 24 of Schedule 2 of the General Permitted Development Order 1995 in the case of applications in respect of new masts and other structures in excess of 3 metres in height above ground level, and new masts on buildings;
- (b) To determine any of the applications under Part 24 of Schedule 2 of the General Permitted Development Order 1995 referred to the Sub-Committee by the Director of Development Services or by a Councillor in accordance with the Scheme of Delegation to Officers;
- (c) To determine all planning applications in respect of development involving telecommunications apparatus".

### 4. **APPLICATION SPECIFIC SUB-COMMITTEES**

- 4.1. During the last year, the Committee established a number of Sub-Committees to consider specific applications.

- 4.2. However, because the nature of these Sub-Committees are task-and-finish, it is recommended that the following Sub-Committees not be re-appointed.

- Planning Development Control (1-7 Chilbolton Avenue, Winchester) Sub-Committee

- Planning Development Control (Royal Observer Corps, Winchester) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Hampshire Chronicle, High Street, Winchester) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Peeks, Kings Worthy) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Lower House, Wickham) Sub-Committee
- 4.3. Members are therefore requested to consider nominations to re-appoint (or newly appoint) the following Sub-Committees because of their likely on-going workload:
- Planning Development Control (Viewing) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Telecommunications) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Knowle Hospital) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Chilbolton Avenue, Winchester) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Chesil Street, Winchester) Sub-Committee
  - Planning Development Control (Police Headquarters, Winchester) Sub-Committee (new Sub Committee with suggested terms of reference to consider and recommend upon the planning application at the Police Headquarters, Winchester).
  - Planning Development Control (Learning Resources Centre, Peter Symonds College, Winchester) Sub-Committee (new Sub Committee with suggested terms of reference to consider and recommend upon the planning application at the Learning Resources Centre, Peter Symonds College, Winchester).
- 4.4. For information, the 2004/5 Membership, the number of Members required, and terms of reference of last year's Sub-Committees were:

5. **Planning Development Control (Knowle Hospital) Sub-Committee**

To consider and recommend to the Planning Committee on the major application for the former Knowle Hospital site.

LIB DEM	CON	LAB	INDEP
(4)	(3)	(1)	(1)
Bennetts	Chapman	Davies	Busher
Clohosey	Pearson		
Evans	Read		
Sutton			

Deputy:	Deputy:	Deputy:	Deputy:
Mitchell	Baxter	De Peyer	Hammerton

6. **Planning Development Control (Chilbolton Avenue, Winchester) Sub-Committee**

To consider and recommend upon the planning application at 8-22 Chilbolton Avenue, Winchester.

LIB DEM (4) Beveridge Evans Pearce Sutton	CON (3) Baxter Chapman Pearson	LAB (1) Davies	INDEP (1) Busher
(Deputy Johnston)	(Deputy Tait)	(Deputy de Peyer)	(Deputy Hammerton)

7. **Planning Development Control (1-7 Chilbolton Avenue, Winchester) Sub-Committee**

To consider and recommend upon the planning application at 1-7 Chilbolton Avenue, Winchester.

LIB DEM (4) Bennetts Beveridge Johnston Mitchell	CON (3) Baxter Read Tait	LAB (1) Davies	INDEP (1) Busher
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8. **Planning Development Control (Royal Observer Corps, Winchester) Sub-Committee**

To consider and recommend upon the planning application at the site of the Royal Observer Corps, Winchester.

LIB DEM (2) Johnston	CON (4) Baxter Jeffer Saunders Tait	LAB (1) Davies	INDEP (1) Busher
Deputy: Mitchell	Deputy: Read	Deputy: De Peyer	Deputy: Hammerton

9. **Planning Development Control (Chesil Street, Winchester) Sub-Committee**

To consider and recommend upon the planning application at Chesil Street, Winchester.

LIB DEM	CON	LAB	INDEP
(4)	(3)	(1)	(1)
Bennetts	Read	De Peyer	Busher
Evans	Saunders		
Mitchell	Tait		
Sutton			
(Deputy	(Deputy		
Darbyshire	Baxter)		

10. **Planning Development Control (Hampshire Chronicle, High Street, Winchester) Sub-Committee**

To consider and recommend upon the planning application at the Hampshire Chronicle Offices, High Street, Winchester.

LIB DEM	CON	LAB	INDEP
(4)	(3)	(1)	(1)
Bennetts	Baxter	Davies	Busher
Beveridge	Chapman		
Johnston	Tait		
Mitchell			

11. **Planning Development Control (Peeks, Kings Worthy) Sub-Committee**

To consider and recommend upon the planning application at Peeks, Kings Worthy.

LIB DEM	CON	LAB	INDEP
(4)	(3)	(1)	(1)
Bennetts	Baxter	Davies	Busher
Beveridge	Jeffer		
Darbyshire	Read		
Johnston			

12. **Planning Development Control (Lower House, Wickham) Sub-Committee**

To consider and recommend upon the planning application at Lower House, Wickham.

LIB DEM	CON	LAB	INDEP
(4)	(3)	(1)	(1)
Bennetts	Baxter	De Peyer	Busher
Clohoey	Jeffer		
Evans	Pearson		
Mitchell			

### **OTHER APPOINTMENTS**

12.1. East Hants AONB - Joint Advisory Committee (now the South Downs Joint Committee).

The South Downs Joint Committee is the successor body to the Sussex Downs Conservation Board and the East Hants AONB - Joint Advisory Committee. It will be established in June 2005, with its first meeting scheduled to take place on 8 July 2005.

The appointments to the South Downs Joint Committee will be made by Cabinet at its meeting to be held on 19 May 2005 (Report CAB1076 refers) and no appointments need to be made by this Committee.

12.2. Stockbridge Oilfield Liaison Panel

The Member appointed for the 2004/2005 Municipal Year was Councillor Johnston (Councillor Tait as deputy).

### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:**

13. CORPORATE PRIORITIES (RELEVANCE TO):

- To encourage open debate and discussion about the future with our residents and our partners;
- To hold our meetings in public with open access to the Council papers.

14. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS:

Costs associated with Member meetings.

15. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS:

None.

16. APPENDICES: None.