MARLBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the **Planning Committee** which was held on **Monday 2nd June, 2008** in the **Council Chamber, Town Hall, Marlborough** at 7.00 pm

PRESENT Councillor A. Kirk Wilson

Councillor S.R. Dobson Councillor G. Francis Councillor N. Fogg Councillor A. Ross Councillor Mrs E. Fogg Councillor T. Spranger Councillor G. Loosmore

Councillor S. Radnedge Councillor R. Pitts

Councillor A. Sycamore

ALSO Mrs Pam Dobson **PRESENT** Mrs Sue Fry

Mr. N. Kerton

Mr. E. White Gina Cooke Becky Dawson

Plus 3 Members of the Public

Chairman

Town Clerk Office Manager

Wiltshire Gazette and Herald

Kennet District Council Marlborough Climate Pledge Marlborough Climate Pledge

NOTICE OF THE MEETING – Public Notice of the meeting has been given in accordance with Schedule 12, paragraph 10(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

Mr. Ed. White from Kennet District Council gave a presentation on the Spatial Options for Future Development.

Mr. White then answered questions raised by Councillors.

51/08 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence was received from The Mayor, Councillor Mrs P. Dow, Councillors B. Castle, Mrs E.M. Hannaford-Dobson, R. Notton and Mrs M. Rose.

52/08 DECLARATION(S) OF INTEREST

Councillor A. Kirk Wilson – Agenda Items 6 (a) & (e) Personal Councillor Mrs E. Fogg – Agenda Item 6 (c) Personal Councillor G. Loosmore – Agenda Item 6 (c) Personal

53/08 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's Announcements

54/08 MINUTES

Proposed by Councillor R. Pitts, seconded by Councillor G. Francis and –

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 19th May, 2008 were

a true record and signed by the Chairman with the following amendment to

the Resolution of Planning Application K/58671/F –

by 7 votes for with 1 abstention that Marlborough Town Council have no objection to this application provided that the addition of the louvers do not

mean an increase in sound levels.

55/08 PLANNING DECISION NOTICES

There were no comments on the Planning Decision Notices received from Kennet District Council.

56/08 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee considered the following Planning Applications, which have been received from Kennet District Council -

Councillor S.R. Dobson stated "I will not be voting or taking part in the Planning Permission items as I need to preserve my position on the Regulatory Committee at Kennet District Council, I will take notes of what is said to help me at Kennet".

Councillor A. Kirk Wilson left the room at 7.42 pm, Councillor G. Loosmore took the Chair.

a) K/58702/F Conservatory at 2 Laineys Close, Marlborough for Mr D B Jones.

Proposed by Councillor N. Fogg, seconded by Councillor R. Pitts

and -

RESOLVED: by 9 votes for with 1 abstention that Marlborough Town Council have no

objection to this application.

It was agreed that Agenda Item 6 (e) should be taken next.

e) K/58757/F Erection of conservatory to rear at 49 Rogers Meadow, Marlborough for Ms Sarah Bernays.

Proposed by Councillor S. Radnedge, seconded by Councillor G. Loosmore and –

RESOLVED: by 9 votes for with 1 abstention that Marlborough Town Council have no objection to this application but note that the roof slope is very narrow.

Councillor A. Kirk Wilson returned to the room at 7.46 pm and resumed the Chair.

b) K/58713/F Rear conservatory at 21 St. Margaret's Mead, Marlborough for Mr Gary Phippard.

Proposed by Councillor R. Pitts, seconded by Councillor G. Francis and –

RESOLVED: by 10 votes for with 1 abstention that Marlborough Town Council have no objection to this application.

c) K/58750/F Demolition of modern extensions to Kingsbury Hill House including gymnasium, demolition of attached and detached classroom/school facilities within the grounds, and demolition of some garden walls within grounds, all to facilitate the erection of 14 dwellings for the over 55's with associated garaging at 34 Kingsbury Hill House, Kingsbury Street, Marlborough for Beechcroft Developments.

Proposed by Councillor A. Sycamore, seconded by Councillor G. Francis and –

RESOLVED: by 10 votes for with 1 abstention that Marlborough Town Council object to this application for the following reasons –

We object to the purpose of the demolition because –

We do not think that Marlborough needs more housing for the elderly. Inappropriate for Conservation Area.

Will cause traffic congestion.

Require more detailed site elevation plans.

d) K/58755/F Two storey rear extension. Pitched roof over existing front porch and side garage at 48 George Lane, Marlborough for Mr & Mrs P. Lough.

Proposed by Councillor S. Radnedge, seconded by Councillor G. Loosmore and -

RESOLVED: by 10 votes for with 1 abstention that Marlborough Town Council have no objection to this application.

f) K/58762/F Erection of extension to detached garage and conversion of resulting building to study, games room and WC at Kainga Tupu, Five Stiles Road, Marlborough for Ms Tracey Paget.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs E. Fogg, seconded by Councillor R. Pitts and –

RESOLVED: by 8 votes for with 3 abstentions that Marlborough Town Council have no

objection to this application but would hope that the materials used are in

keeping with the present dwelling.

g) K/58771/F Erection of a part 2 & part 3 storey building comprising 36 category 2

sheltered apartments for older people together with owners lounge, visitors suite, laundry and estate manager's office, access and parking provisions. (Existing garage to be demolished) at Citreon Garage, Granham Close,

Marlborough for Pegasus Retirement Homes Plc.

Proposed by Councillor R. Pitts, seconded by Councillor A. Sycamore

and -

RESOLVED: by 8 votes for with 3 abstentions that Marlborough Town Council object to

this application for the following reasons –

Contrary to the Local Plan for affordable housing.

Premature to the application of the Regional Spatial Strategy.

Additional retirement homes will increase the burden on local health facilities.

57/08 SPATIAL OPTIONS FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT.

The Committee discussed the Spatial Options for Future Development following the presentation given by Mr Ed. White of Kennet District Council.

After discussion it was -

RESOLVED: unanimously that this Council supports Option 3 and that Councillors G.

Loosmore, A. Sycamore and N. Fogg will compile a corporate view to be

submitted.

58/08 PEDESTRIAN CROSSING – A4 BRIDEWELL STREET, MARLBOROUGH

To consider and make comment if any on the proposed Pedestrian Crossing – A4 Bridewell Street.

The Committee felt that an additional crossing would cause massive traffic congestion, although this is a pedestrian crossing there are already 3 sets of traffic lights on the A4. The positioning of this crossing means that motorists have a very limited view of people waiting to cross.

The County Councillor, Mrs E.M. Hannaford-Dobson has written to the County Council expressing her objection to this crossing.

59/08 DRAFT WILTSHIRE WIDE ALCOHOL STRATEGY

The Committee discussed the Consultation on the Draft Wiltshire Wide Alcohol Strategy.

Proposed by Councillor N. Fogg, seconded by Councillor S. Radnedge and –

RESOLVED:

unanimously that Councillor R. Pitts would write a response stating that support should be given to the enforcement of the Licening Laws. The existing laws are adequate but are not being enforced. Education of the general public should also be addressed.

60/08 LETTER FROM THE DCLG TO KEITH ROBINSON WILTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

The Committee discussed the DCLG approach to Wiltshire County Council regarding the possibility of parish elections in 2009.

Proposed by Councillor A. Sycamore, seconded by Councillor G. Loosmore and –

RESOLVED:

by 10 votes for with 1 against (Councillor S.R. Dobson voting against) that in the interest of continuity elections should be not be held in 2009.

61/08 MARLBOROUGH CLIMATE PLEDGE

To discuss the Town Council's support of Marlborough Climate Pledge and if a letter of support from the examples circulated can be agreed.

A discussion took place on the merits of options 2 and 3, there was general support for option 2, although 3 Councillors were in support of option 3.

Proposed by Councillor A. Spranger, seconded by Councillor S.R. Dobson and $-\,$

RESOLVED:

unanimously that the Town Council support Marlborough Climate Pledge and that letter 2 be the preferred option but that the words 'very excited' be replaced by the word support.

62/08 FOR INFORMATION ONLY

a) Recycle week 2008

That this information be noted.