

MINUTES of the MEETING  
of the AREA PLANNING  
COMMITTEE (WESTERN) held  
on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2009 at 8.22pm

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(To be read in conjunction with the Agenda for the Meeting)

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| * Cllr P B Isherwood (Chairman) | * Cllr S J O'Grady         |
| * Cllr J A Ward (Vice-Chairman) | Cllr A J Lovell            |
| * Cllr L C Bate                 | Cllr S L Pritchard         |
| * Cllr Mrs C A Cockburn         | Cllr I E Sampson           |
| Cllr Mrs P M Frost              | Cllr R J Steel             |
| Cllr Mrs J P Hargreaves         | * Cllr A P Thorp           |
| * Cllr S L Hill                 | * Cllr Mrs N Warner-O'Neil |
| * Cllr Ms D M-R Le Gal          |                            |

\* Present

59. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor Isherwood was appointed as Chairman for the Council Year 2009/10.

60. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Councillor Ward was appointed as Vice-Chairman for the Council Year 2009/10.

61. MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> April 2009 were confirmed and signed

62. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 2)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs Frost, Hargreaves, Lovell, Pritchard and Steel.

63. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (Agenda Item 3)

Councillor Thorp declared a personal interest in application A2, the Blue Bell, Dockenfield, as he lived close to the site.

Councillor Mrs Warner O'Neil also declared a personal Interest in this application as it was a local pub that her family had visited. She understood that there had been concerns that she had accepted hospitality but this was not the case, the food she had eaten was always paid in full either by herself, family friend or husband. She had also, in her role as Ward Councillor, assisted the applicant in liaising with the Planning Department. While she had taken great care not to prejudice her position she understood that some remarks from third parties, in particular remarks in a report by the local paper, may be capable of misconstruction to suggest that support for the scheme had been offered. As she had not prejudiced her position and had not yet made up her mind on this application she did not consider that she had a prejudicial interest,

64. THAMES BASIN HEATHLAND SPECIAL PROTECTION AREA – POSITION STATEMENT ON CURRENT CAPACITY (Agenda Item 7)  
RESOLVED that the report be noted

65. APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION (Agenda Item 8)

RESOLVED that the applications for planning permission, as set out in the Schedule attached, be determined as shown in column 3 thereof.

The meeting concluded at 9.52pm.

Chairman