

**MINUTES OF THE INTERIM MEETING OF BUCKINGHAM TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON 23RD MAY 2005 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 7 PM.**

PRESENT

Councillor	J Barnett
	P Collins (Mayor)
	D Isham
	R Lehmann
	H Lewis
	G Loftus
	H Mordue
	H Saul
	Mrs C Strain-Clark
	P Strain-Clark (Chairman)
	R Stuchbury
Town Clerk	Ms P J Heath

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr's Mrs. P Desorgher, Ms R Newell and Mrs. P Stevens.

2591 DECLARATION OF INTEREST FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

Cllr Isham declared a personal interest on agenda item 4 as the Chairman of the District Council Development Control Committee.

2592 TRANSFER OF LICENCES

The Wine Shop – to Stephen Jasinski from Ms J Hambleton

2593 PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON LAND BETWEEN VERNEY CLOSE AND BRIDGE STREET

This was not a formal planning application and the developers had requested the Council's view on their proposed scheme. In response to a question it was explained that due to the necessity of an early response this item could not wait until the Council Meeting on 13th June.

Members discussed at length the proposal which was for a lesser density than the original ideas which had been presented at the meeting held on 13.12.04.

Members made the following points: -

- Concern was expressed at the location of the car park and the possibility of the area flooding. There was also concern that the car park which although private has been

accessible to the general public may not be of sufficient capacity to cover the parking requirements of the residents, retail outlets, the White Hart patrons and the public.

- How would deliveries to both the White Hart Hotel and the Three Cups PH be made?
- What safeguards would be made to ensure that the access to the river on that side would be retained?
- What detailed evaluations have been done on the proposed traffic movements resulting from this development?
- What analysis had been undertaken on the effect of the development on the river both up and down stream, and have these been passed to and agreed by the Environment Agency in light of the proposed flood defence work in Buckingham?
- Concern was expressed as to the height of the development and its closeness to the road, overshadowing the adjacent areas. Also the buildings adjacent to the road would severely limit the visibility of both vehicles and pedestrians egressing the site.

Proposed by Cllr Lehmann seconded by Cllr P Strain-Clark and **RESOLVED** by 8 votes to 1 that this Council writes to the developer stating in general they are supportive of development in that areas but have reservations on the proposed scheme in respect of the scale, traffic, parking facilities, public access and the effect on the river; any comments to be made “without prejudice”.

2594 RECOMENDATION FROM F & A COMMITTEE

*Proposed by Cllr Lehmann seconded by Cllr Collins and **RECOMMENDED** that this Council accepts the new parking regulations proposed by AVDC for Cornwall’s Meadow and Western Avenue Car Parks*

AGREED by 9 votes to 0

2595 MAYORS ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The Mayor explained to Members his intentions concerning the Committee meetings. He would attend where possible all E & P and Events Committee Meetings. Would keep an overview on F & A, but would not attend all the meetings. He would attend the Public Session of Planning but would then leave unless an important item was on the agenda.

CHAIRMAN DATE