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**Draft Minutes of a Remote Environmental Planning Committee Meeting held on Thursday 19 November 2020 via Zoom Video Conferencing**

**Commenced: 6.30pm - Concluded: 8.34pm**

**Councillors Present:** Alan Hooper (Chairman), John Brownrigg [Ex-Officio], John Housley [Ex-Officio], Carol Levery and David Ogle.

**Absent Councillors.** There were none.

**Officers.** Andrew Towlerton – Parish Clerk/RFO (minute taker) and Emma Mainwaring – Council’s Community Involvement Officer (items 2020/068 onwards)

**Members of the Public.** Fourteen members of the public.

**Chairman’s Announcement**

Before the commencement of the meeting, the Chairman outlined the procedure for this remote meeting to ensure that the meeting was effective and lawful. The Clerk confirmed that he was recording the meeting. Councillor Paul Brunt (attending as a member of the public) asked for approval to record the meeting which was granted.

<b><u>2020/057</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<b><u>57. Apologies and Reasons for Absence</u></b>  There were none.
<b><u>2020/058</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<b><u>58. Declarations of Interest</u></b>  There were none.
<b><u>2020/059</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<b><u>59. Exclusion of Press and Public - Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings Act) 1960</u></b>  There were no items on the agenda that required the exclusion of the press or public.
<b><u>2020/060</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<b><u>60. Public Participation Session</u></b>  There was one question raised. It was noted that the target date for comments for many of the several planning applications to be discussed on the agenda had passed.  The Chairman confirmed that this was the target date and Sheffield City Council had some discretion if they accepted comments after this date. Further, the Clerk had been in contact with Sheffield City Council seeking an extension for comment as the deadline was before this meeting. The Chairman added that as Sheffield City Council had reduced the time for comment

	on planning applications, he and the Clerk had been in discussions on how best the Parish Council should respond to this to ensure that comments are received on time.
<b><u>2020/061</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<p><b><u>61. Environmental Planning Minutes</u></b></p> <p>The approved minutes of the meeting held on 15 October 2020 were considered.</p>
<b><u>2020/062</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<p><b><u>62. Planning Matters</u></b></p> <p><b><u>62.1 To note and consider the list of planning applications for comment since the last meeting and any delegated to the Admin Officer in accordance with Council Policy.</u></b></p> <p>Thirteen were considered.</p> <p>Proposed by Councillor David Ogle and Seconded by Councillor John Brownrigg, and <b>RESOLVED:</b> That the Council has no objections or comments to make on these planning applications, except for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) 20/03273 – 14 The Fostings, High Green – No objections in principle to the proposal but share and agree with residents concerns about the impact on the raised rear decking on the amenity of the neighbouring properties due to overlooking and disturbance. In its response, the Council should ask that to ensure that there would be no harm to neighbouring properties due to overlooking by the proposal.</li> <li>2) 20/0338 - 12 Lane House, Sheffield – No objections in principle but request that the design and materials used should respect and enhance the character and age of the existing buildings and the surrounding area.</li> <li>3) 20/02096 – Land Between Holly House Lane and Stephen Lane, Sheffield – No objections in principle, but are concerned about the floodlighting and risk of intrusion especially from the west. If allowed the floodlight should meet all current recognised lighting standards and any lighting won't be visible beyond the site especially from its west. The Council is also concerned that any future intensification of use on the site would cause serious issues to the amenity of nearby residents due to factors such as poor access.</li> <li>4) 20/03239 – Jumeriah Spice, 1 The Common, Ecclesfield – That the Council objects on highway safety grounds and drainage.</li> <li>5) 20/02057 – Land between 94 and 98 Wheel Lane, Grenoside - A detailed discussion took place on this amended planning application. It was agreed that the amendments by a wide margin did not make the application acceptable. It was noted that the Council and the wider community had not been formally notified about the amended planning application, which the Clerk agreed to investigate the reasons for with Sheffield City Council. It was agreed that the Council should object to it</li> <li>6) 20/02297 – Balfour Carpets Ltd, 8 Loundside, Sheffield – No objections in principle but wish to express the Council's concerns about the proliferation of hot food takeaways in this area and the wider Parish.</li> </ol> <p>The Chairman noted that he had looked on Sheffield City Council's planning application portal for the planning application (20/03960, 250 Thomson Hill) but he could not find it on the system. The most likely explanation for this was that it had been withdrawn by the applicant. The Chairman also noted that there appeared to be an increase in incidents of planning applications being withdrawn from Sheffield City Council's planning portal and the Council not being notified that it had been withdrawn. The Chairman said that he would take this up with Sheffield City Council's Planning Department.</p> <p><b><u>62.2 To note and consider planning appeal decision (Ref APP/J4423/W/20/3254108) for the erection of two dwellings at land between 94 and 98 Wheel Lane, Grenoside, Sheffield, S35 8RN.</u></b></p>

	<p>The Chairman explained that the appeal had been dismissed by the planning inspector. He went on to outline the variety of reasons why it had been dismissed.</p>
<b><u>2020/063</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<p><b><u>63. Licensing Matters</u></b></p> <p>The Chairman explained that the Council had been notified of two new applications.</p> <p>a) The Rear of the Commercial Inn, Station Road, Sheffield. b) Traxx Market, Market Place, Chapeltown, Sheffield.</p> <p>These were then considered.</p> <p>A wide-ranging and detailed discussion then took place on these especially the second application which sought a licence to play Live Music (Sun 10:00 – 20.00 and Mon – Sat 09.00 - 20.00 and Recorded Music and Supply of Alcohol (Sun – Sat 9.00 -20.00) at Traxx Market. The general view was that the application was not acceptable due to the risk it posed to the amenity of the surrounding properties due to noise, disturbance and anti-social behaviour, for example. It may be possible that these issues could be addressed through a revised application.</p> <p>Proposed by Councillor Alan Hooper and Seconded by Councillor David Ogle, and <b>RESOLVED:</b> That the Council has no objections or comments to make on these license applications, except for:</p> <p>(i) That the Council does not support the current application to both play live music and recorded music and supply of alcohol in relation to Traxx Market, Market Place, Chapeltown.</p> <p>Councillor Alan Hooper explained that he was aware of one more application that had been or shortly would be received by Sheffield City Council. He noted that the deadline for comments may be before the next meeting. If this was the case, the intention was that the Clerk in conjunction with the Chairman would use their granted delegated powers to deal with it.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(5 in favour)</p>
<b><u>2020/064</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<p><b><u>64. Sheffield Plan Issues and Options 2020 Consultation</u></b></p> <p>The Clerk confirmed that the Council had submitted its response to this important consultation to Sheffield City Council. In its response, the Council stated it favoured Spatial Option A - 'High Density, vibrant walkable neighbourhoods', and the need to protect the Green Belt, amongst other things. The next step was to await the outcomes of the consultation.</p>
<b><u>2020/065</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<p><b><u>65. BT Payphones Consultation</u></b></p> <p>The Clerk reported that the Council had been notified of the proposed removal of 4 payphones in the Parish by BT. This was considered. Councillor John Housley asked whether BT might consider transferring the management of the payphones over to the Council so they could be reused to accommodate defibrillators, for example. The Clerk said that he would enquire about this.</p>
<b><u>2020/066</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b>	<p><b><u>66. Ecclesfield Neighbourhood Plan</u></b></p> <p>Councillor John Housley, Chairman of the Neighbourhood Working Group provided an update. He explained that the focus of the working party leading on this continued to be the identification of a 'long list' of important heritage, community and environmental assets which the Plan could seek to potentially protect. They were also progressing seeking funding and other opportunities to support the development of the Plan as well as the parish wide survey.</p>

<p><b><u>2020/067</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>67. Community Tree Planting</u></b></p> <p>Emma Mainwaring, the Council Community Involvement Officer, gave an update. She explained that Sheffield City Council were finalising the dates and arrangements for the community tree planting. These were expected shortly.</p> <p>Emma went on to explain that she had been in discussions with bodies such as Sheffield and Rotherham Wildlife Trust to explore how we could maximise the social and environmental impact of the planting. One suggestion was to link it with the Hedgehog Heroes project, which is being led by the British Hedgehog Preservation Society. It was agreed that this was a good idea. Emma explained that she was seeking volunteers for a working group to take the hedgehog project forward. Several Councillors expressed a wish to join the Group. Emma stated that she would write to all councillors seeking further volunteers for the group.</p>
<p><b><u>2020/068</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>68. Effective Gum Littering Campaign</u></b></p> <p>A brief update was provided by Emma Mainwaring. Emma explained that the campaign was progressing well. Wrigley's had supplied posters, which she was in the process of circulating to be displayed in schools, parks and businesses and commercial businesses. It had hoped to also display them on lamp posts but the process involved obtaining the necessary permits from Sheffield City Council which was far more involved and bureaucratic than anticipated.</p>
<p><b><u>2020/069</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>69. School Uniform Swap Shop instigated by Councillor David Ogle</u></b></p> <p>A brief update was provided by Emma Mainwaring. She explained that this was progressing very well. She had contacted all local schools as to whether they would be interested in taking part. The response was very positive. The vast majority of local schools wished to take part. There has been positive feedback from parents. The Chairman said that it was important that there was adequate budget provision for this project. Emma was thanked for her efforts.</p>
<p><b><u>2020/070</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>70. Any items for discussion for a future meeting</u></b></p> <p>The Chairman explained that, as also discussed in the public participation session, there had been a marked increase in the number of planning applications which the Council had been invited to comment upon by Sheffield City Council which the official deadline for comments was between Environmental Planning meetings. He explained that the Council may wish to look at its arrangements for commenting on planning applications, including the frequency of Environmental Planning meetings. It was agreed that this should be discussed at a future meeting of the Committee or Full Council, as appropriate. The Chairman also suggested that it may useful to discuss Electrical Vehicle Charging Points sometime in the future, perhaps linked with the Neighbourhood Plan.</p>
<p><b><u>2020/071</u></b> <b><u>(EPC)</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>71. Date and time of future meeting</u></b></p> <p>It was confirmed that the Environmental Planning Committee will be held on 17 December 2020 at 6.30 as scheduled.</p>