

MINUTES of the meeting of the Southern Area Planning Sub-Committee held at The Council Chamber, Brockington, 35 Hafod Road, Hereford on 13 August 2003 at 2:00 p.m.

Present: Councillor Mrs. R.F. Lincoln (Chairman)
Councillor P.G. Turpin (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: M.R. Cunningham, N.J.J. Davies, G.W. Davis, J.W. Edwards,
T.W. Hunt (Ex-officio) Mrs. J.A. Hyde, G.Lucas,
D.C. Taylor, J.B. Williams

In attendance: Councillor PJ Edwards

12. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman was pleased to announce that for the period April – June 2003 Planning Services had had continued to exceed the targets set by the Office for the Deputy Prime Minister in respect of processing planning applications. If this achievement continued, the Council would benefit from additional funding through the Planning Delivery Grant in 2004.

The Chairman said that last year a tour had been held of development that had taken place following planning permission and this had proved to be very successful. A similar tour was proposed in the autumn which would be of particular benefit for new Members. She asked Councillors to consider sites within their wards which they considered worth visiting and to let the Head of Planning Services know.

The Chairman expressed her disappointment that despite having warned the Sub-Committee at the time, planning permission had been refused in respect of the Haven, Hardwicke, Hay-on-Wye and the applicants had recently won an appeal with costs awarded against the Council. She emphasised that it was extremely important for the Sub-Committee to heed the recommendations of the officers when there were planning policy issues at stake.

13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors H. Bramer, Mrs. C.J. Davis and Mrs. A.E. Gray.

14. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor	Item	Interest
Councillor Mrs RF Lincoln	2 (SW2003/1477/F – Portal Frame Building to house livestock, Brooklands Farm, Orcop, Hereford HR2 8ET)	prejudicial and left the meeting for the duration of the item.
Mrs JA Hyde	B (SE2003/1638/F - Two storey extension to rear and garage to side,	prejudicial and left the meeting for the duration

	Lea Croft, Archenfield Road, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire HR9 5BB)	of the item.
G Lucas	A (SE2003/1245/F – Conversion of and alterations to redundant traditional barn to create one residential dwelling, Barn at Sapness Farm, Sollers Hope, Herefordshire) and also Item B (SE2003/1638/F - Two storey extension to rear and garage to side, Lea Croft, Archenfield Road, Ross-on-Wye, Herefordshire)	prejudicial and left the meeting for the duration of the item.
DC Taylor	1 (SW2003/0761/F – Ground floor extension, various alterations, Shark House Barn, Clehonger, HR2 9TE)	prejudicial and left the meeting for the duration of the item.

15. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 16 July 2003 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman subject to the replacement of “personal” with “prejudicial” in Minute 7 (Declarations of Interest - Councillor Mrs JA Hyde).

16. PLANNING APPEALS

The Sub-Committee noted the Council’s current position in respect of planning appeals for the Southern area of Herefordshire.

17. HEAD OF PLANNING SERVICES REPORT

The Southern Divisional Planning Officer presented the report of the Head of Planning Services in respect of the planning applications that had been received for the Southern area of Herefordshire.

RESOLVED: That the planning applications be determined as set out in the appendix to these Minutes.

EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

RESOLVED: That under Section 100 (A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Schedule 12(A) of the Act, as indicated below.

SUMMARY OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF EXEMPT INFORMATION

18. ITEM FOR INFORMATION - ENFORCEMENT

The Sub-Committee received an information report about planning enforcement activity within the Southern area of Herefordshire.

The meeting ended at 2:45 p.m.

CHAIRMAN