MINUTES of the meeting of Central Area Planning Sub-Committee held at Council Chamber, Brockington on Wednesday, 3rd September, 2003 at 2.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor D.J. Fleet (Chairman)

Councillor R. Preece (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs. P.A. Andrews, A.C.R. Chappell, Mrs. S.P.A. Daniels, P.J. Edwards, J.G.S. Guthrie, Mrs. M.D. Lloyd-Hayes, R.I. Matthews, J.C. Mayson, J.W. Newman, Ms. G.A. Powell, Mrs. S.J. Robertson, Ms. A.M. Toon, W.J. Walling, D.B. Wilcox, A.L. Williams and R.M. Wilson

In attendance: Councillors T.W. Hunt and J.B. Williams

21. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs. W.U. Attfield, Mrs. E.M. Bew., G.V. Hyde, Mrs. J.E. Pemberton, D.C. Short MBE, W.J.S. Thomas and A.L. Williams.

22. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were made:

Councillors	Item	Interest
J.C. Mayson and Mrs. S.J Robertson	Ref. No. 8 – CW2003/2039/F - Reconditioning, refurbishment and extension to include a change of use into a public house at:	Both Members declared prejudicial interests and left the meeting for the duration of the item.
	OLD SCHOOL ROOMS, MORETON-ON- LUGG, HEREFORDSHIRE, HR4 8DE	

23. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 6th August, 2003 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

24. ITEM FOR INFORMATION - APPEALS

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

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

25. HEAD OF PLANNING SERVICES REPORT

The Chairman reported that the Secretary of State was minded to grant planning permission, subject to conditions, in respect of planning applications CE2001/0130/F and CE2001/2864/O at Claston Farm, Dormington. A number of Members

welcomed this decision.

The Chairman, following a request by the Chairman of the Planning Committee, invited the Sub-Committee to suggest sites which could be visited in order to identify examples of good practice in the County. A number of developments were suggested, these included: the Hospital, the Magistrates' Court, the Probation Service offices, the King's Fee Public House, and residential development in Commercial Road, Eign Road, Kings Acre Road and the former Bartestree convent.

The Chairman also updated the Sub-Committee on current Development Control performance indicators and praised the department for meeting or exceeding targets. He commented, however, that continued improvement could be hindered by capacity issues.

The report of the Head of Planning Services was presented in respect of planning applications received for the central 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 involves 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

26. ITEM FOR INFORMATION - ENFORCEMENT

The Sub-Committee received an information report about the enforcement notices served within the central area of Herefordshire.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

- [12) Any instructions to counsel and any opinion of counsel (whether or not in connection with any proceedings) and any advice received, information obtained or action to be taken in connection with:
 - (a) any legal proceedings by or against the authority, or
 - (b) the determination of any matter affecting the authority (whether, in each case, proceedings have been commenced or are in completion)
- 14) Any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.]

27. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Central Area Planning Sub-Committee was Wednesday 1st October, 2003.

The meeting ended at 3.28 p.m.