MINUTES of the meeting of the Central Area Planning Sub-Committee held at Brockington, 35 Hafod Road, Hereford, on Wednesday 7th April, 2004 at 2.00 p.m.

Present: Councillor D.J. Fleet (Chairman) Councillor R. Preece (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors Mrs. P.A. Andrews, Mrs. W.U. Attfield, 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, Mrs. J.E. Pemberton, Ms. G.A. Powell, Mrs. S.J. Robertson, Miss F. Short, W.J.S. Thomas, W.J. Walling, D.B. Wilcox, A.L. Williams and R.M. Wilson.

In attendance: Councillors P.E. Harling, T.W. Hunt and J.B. Williams.

At the start of the meeting, the Chairman asked that a minute's silence be observed in memory of former Councillor Mrs. J.A. Carter who had passed away recently. Members noted the significant contribution that Mrs. Carter had made not only to Herefordshire Council and the former South Herefordshire District Council but also to numerous community and charity groups in the County.

66. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Mrs. E.M. Bew, G.V. Hyde and Ms. A.M. Toon.

67. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were made.

Councillor(s)	Item	Interest
D.B. Wilcox	Ref. 2 - DCCE2004/0475/O	Declared a prejudicial interest and left the meeting for the duration of this item.
	Partial redevelopment of college campus to provide new learning village (application for outline permission including Master Plan) at:	
	HEREFORDSHIRECOLLEGEOFTECHNOLOGY,HEREFORDSHIRECOLLEGEOFARTANDDESIGNANDHEREFORDSHIRESIXTHFORMCOLLEGE, FOLLYLANE, HEREFORD	

The Principal Lawyer (Planning, Environment and Transport) had declared prejudicial interests in Ref. 1 and Ref. 2 and did not enter the meeting until Ref. 3 was considered.

68. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 10th March, 2004 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

69. REPORT OF THE HEAD OF PLANNING SERVICES

The report of the Head of Planning Services was presented in respect of the planning applications received for the Central Area.

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 two items of business on the grounds that they involve 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

- [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)

- 13) Information which, if disclosed to the public, would reveal that the authority proposes:
 - (a) to give under any enactment a notice under or by virtue of which requirements are imposed on a person; or
 - (b) to make an order or direction under any enactment.
- 14) Any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.]

70. DIRECT ACTION AUTHORISATION REQUEST

The Sub-Committee considered a report which proposed action under S178 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 in respect of land at former pumping station, Tillington Road, Hereford.

The Principal Lawyer (Planning, Environment and Transport) outlined the background to the report and suggested amendments to the recommendation.

RESOLVED: That authorisation be given to take action under the provisions of S178 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 if necessary to enter the land and take steps specified in the enforcement notice and recover expenses from the owner.

71 ITEM FOR INFORMATION – ENFORCEMENT

The Sub-Committee received an information report about an enforcement case within the Central Area.

RESOLVED: That the report be noted.

72. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next scheduled meeting was Wednesday 5th May, 2004.

The meeting ended at 3.45 p.m.

CHAIRMAN