

AGENDA for a meeting of the DEVELOPMENT CONTROL COMMITTEE in the Council Chamber, County Hall, Hertford on Tuesday 9 September 2003 at 10.00 am.

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE (10) - QUORUM - 3

N K Brook, G R Churchard, R N Copping, M Green, B N W Hammond (Chairman), D R Mc Manus, S J Mills, E N Singam, W A Storey (Vice –Chairman), J W A Usher.

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AUDIO SYSTEM

The County Council has an audio loop system to assist those with hearing impairment. This can be used by anyone who has an compatible hearing aid.

PART I (PUBLIC) AGENDA

Meetings of the Committee are open to the public (this includes the press) and attendance is welcomed. However, there may be occasions when the public are excluded from the meeting - for particular items of business. Any such items are taken at the end of the public part of the meeting and are listed below under "Part II ('closed') agenda".

MINUTES

To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting of the Development Control Committee held on 8 July 2003 (previously circulated).

PUBLIC PETITIONS

Any member of the public (who is a resident in Hertfordshire or is on the electoral register for Hertfordshire) may present a petition to the Committee. An authorised representative of any Hertfordshire parish or town council subscribing to a parish charter approved by the County Council may also present a petition to the Committee in relation to matters within that parish.

The subject of the petition must be appropriate for the Committee and must be signed by at least 100 residents or business ratepayers of Hertfordshire.

Notification of intent to present a petition must be given in writing to the County Secretary, (County Hall, Hertford, SG13 8DE) at least fourteen clear days before the meeting where an item relating to the subject matter of the petition does not appear on the agenda for the meeting and at least three clear days before where the item is the subject of a report.

If you have any queries about the procedure please contact Adrian Service on telephone no. (01992) 555564.

The following request to present a petition has been received: -

1. Petition from residents of Watford requesting speed reduction measures in Phillipers / York Way / Garsmouth Way, Watford

Presenter of petition : Mr Wigg *

*Mr Wigg has just notified that he is unlikely to be able to attend the meeting due to health reasons and has asked that in the event of his absence, the contents of his letter be read to the Committee at the meeting.

The contents of his letter are as follows : -

‘ Having spoken to the residents who signed the petition again, their major concern is still mainly the speed of vehicles in Phillipers, York Way and Garsmouth Road, Watford.

Even though [the traffic surveys carried out in these roads you say] that speeding is not at a level to require traffic calming schemes [in these roads]. The evidence of speeding vehicles is quite apparent and there for all to see with individual speeds from 30 to 50 mph, the speed limits are violated every day and it appears that nothing is being done about this.

The residents on these roads look at :

1. Millway estate 1.5 miles away with their chicanes and speed cushions
2. Tudor Estate across the A41 with their speed ramps and 20 mph speed limit

They ask “ Why not the Meriden Estate ?” They do not ask for more than these other areas but in the interests of safety would like as much. They would like also to have the petition presented to the Development Control Committee. The residents also feel that as the road calming works in Meriden Way will only be minor, if Phillipers, York Way and Garsmouth Way have speed ramps, cushions or chicanes installed perhaps traffic will be diverted back to the class 1 through roads on the estate namely Gossamers and Meriden Way.’

NOTIFICATION OF OTHER BUSINESS

Members are invited to notify the Chairman of other business which they wish to be discussed by the Committee at the end of either Part I business (open to the public) or Part II business (closed to the public). In so doing the member(s) must state the special circumstances which they consider justify the matter being considered as a matter of urgency.

The Chairman will decide whether the item(s) shall be considered under "Other Business".

QUESTIONS (Standing Order C8)

Any member of the Committee may ask one question within the terms of reference of the Committee (other than questions relating to a matter on the agenda, which shall be asked when that matter is discussed). Questions may also be asked by the authorised representative of any Hertfordshire parish or town council subscribing to a parish charter approved by the County Council.

Questions must have been notified in writing to the County Secretary at least three clear working days before the meeting and will be dealt with in order of receipt.

No further questions may be asked after ten minutes from the beginning of question time. Any questions remaining thereafter shall be dealt with in writing.

No questions had been submitted at the time of agenda dispatch.

The following report of the Director of Environment is attached to this agenda: -

- 1. EAST HERTFORDSHIRE DISTRICT – PROPOSED DEMOLITION OF SINGLE MOBILE CLASSROOM UNIT AND REPLACEMENT WITH A NEW DOUBLE MOBILE CLASSROOM UNIT AT THUNDRIDGE C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL, ERMINE STREET, THUNDRIDGE**

[Local Member : D Beatty]

OTHER PART I BUSINESS

Such other Part I (public) business which, the Chairman agrees, is of sufficient urgency to warrant consideration.

PART II ('CLOSED') AGENDA

EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

There are no items of Part II business on this agenda but if an item is notified the Chairman will move:-

"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 paragraph ** of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the said Act."

If you require a copy of any of the reports mentioned above or require further information about this agenda please contact Adrian Service, Committee Services, County Secretary's Department, on telephone no. 01992 555564 or fax. 01992 555518.

Please note that full papers have been dispatched to Committee members only. All other members have been sent the front sheets of each report.