

**Minutes of the meeting of
THE CONSULTATIONS COMMITTEE**

7th October 2019 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Arundel (Chair), Bloxsom, Campbell, Hale, Naumann, Poulton and Townley
In attendance: Town Clerk, Cllrs Schoemaker and Andrews, Rush representative, two members of the public and Assistant Clerk
Absent: Cllr Price

Action

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr Cranston (personal).

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations.

3. Minutes of the meeting of 9th September 2019

The minutes of the Consultations meeting on 9th September were **approved** by the members present and signed as a correct record by the Chair.

4. Public question time

There were no questions.

5. Rush Skatepark

The Committee received a progress report from Rush on their proposals for a skate park at Stratford Park.

In view of the potential environmental impact the Committee offered to assist the applicants to carry out a public consultation to determine whether there is public support for the proposals before they submit their planning application and to engage with Stroud District Council as the land owner/service provider.

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The Chair thanked the Rush representative for attending.

Rush representative, Town Clerk, Cllrs Bloxsom, Andrews and Schoemaker left the meeting.

6. Planning applications

Responses were agreed as shown in the attached appendix.

The Assistant Clerk will advise SDC.

Assistant Clerk

The Assistant Clerk was asked to talk to BT regarding public consultation to establish if the community wish to retain pay phones in the parish, currently at risk of removal.

Assistant Clerk

The members of the public left the meeting.

7. Planning Decisions

These were noted.

8. Assistant Clerks report

This was noted.

The outcome of an appeal regarding planning application number S.19/0592/HHOLD, 4 Upfield Close, was noted.

9. GCC Roadworks

These were noted.

10. Electronic Communications Code

The Committee considered a government consultation on permitted development rights for operators with rights under the Electronic Communications Code.

The following response was AGREED that the local authority should not become disempowered in matters of location, design and planning. We must ensure the urban and rural conservation areas and fringe of town are protected from overdevelopment of 5G masts.

Assistant Clerk

Cllr Townley left the meeting.

11. SDC Homelessness Prevention and Rough Sleeping Strategy

The Committee AGREED to recommend a proposal that further safe house properties should be included.

Assistant Clerk

12. Review of Polling Districts

The Committee had no observations.

Assistant Clerk

The meeting ended at 9.40pm

Chair.....

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