

Draft Minutes

of the Meeting of the

Public Rights of Way Sub-Committee

Wednesday, 29th March 2016

held at the Town Hall, Weston-super-Mare, North Somerset.

Meeting Commenced: 14.00 Meeting Concluded: 14.50 p.m.

Councillors:

P Ann Harley (Chairman)

A Karen Barclay

P James Tonkin

P Terry Porter

A Nick Wilton

P: Present

A: Apologies for absence submitted

Officers in attendance:

John Flannigan, Development and Environment, Tim Nelson, Corporate Services

PRW Public Participation (Agenda Item 1) **10**

Councillor David Jolley and Ann Gawthorpe from Woodspring Bridleways Association spoke in opposition to the request that that Mod 102 on the Definitive Map Modification Order Register not be taken out of sequence. It is his belief as the councillor for that ward that, irrespective of the merits of Mod 102, there are six hundred issues currently waiting to be considered, and it would be unfair to allow this one issue to be taken out of sequence.

Arthur Terry and Janet Davey spoke support of the request that that Mod 102 on the Definitive Map Modification Order Register not be taken out of sequence, and highlighted the current issues regarding access at Portishead Golf Course.

PRW Declarations of Interest by Members (Agenda Item 3) **11**

None

PRW Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 January 2016 (Agenda Item 4) **12**

Resolved: that the revised minutes as circulated by the representative of the Director of Development and Environment be approved as a correct record.

PRW Mod 102 – Portishead Golf Course (Agenda Item 6) **13**

The Chairman reminded members that they were not to decide the pros and cons of the issue, but to discuss whether Mod 102 should be taken out of sequence.

John Flannigan, the representative of the Director of Development and Environment gave the recommendation that the Public Rights of Way Sub Committee refuses the request to take this application out of sequence. The land in question is not potential development land. There is no physical evidence of any incidents. The precedent is to not take applications out of sequence.

Councillor Peter Burden was called to speak. Councillor Burden suggested that the Public Rights of Way Sub-Committee should not support the application to take Mod 102 on the Definitive Map Modification Order Register out of sequence, but recommend to North Somerset Council that it take note of the evidence given and take action as the landowner and discuss with the tenant at Portishead Golf Course the correct approach to public rights of way on the property.

Resolved: that the Public Rights of Way Sub-Committee not support the application to take Mod 102 on the Definitive Map Modification Order Register out of sequence, but recommend to North Somerset Council that it take note of the evidence given and take action as the landowner and discuss with the tenant at Portishead Golf Course the correct approach to public rights of way on the property.

Chairman
