

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF HELSTON TOWN COUNCIL**  
**HELD IN THE GUILDHALL, HELSTON**  
**ON TUESDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER 2009 AT 7.00 PM**

**Councillors:** Councillor N J C Devenish (Town Mayor) in the Chair

R Williams  
P Phillips  
R J L Boase

Mrs V J Matthew  
K Reynolds  
Mrs F N E Boase

R R Pryor  
M H Thomas  
J P Radford-Gaby

**Officers:** Mr C Dawson - Town Clerk

**263. APOLOGIES**

Apologies for non-attendance were received from Councillor Mrs Swift who had a prior meeting and Councillor D.C. Swift who was working.

On the proposition of Councillor Radford-Gaby, seconded by Councillor R.J.L. Boase it was

RESOLVED – that the apologies be accepted.

**264. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Williams declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 4 as he rented land from one of the Applicants.

**265. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Several members of the public spoke in objection to planning application PA09/01217/F. Many of the objections were raised at the Planning Committee meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2009. In addition, the following points were raised:

- A 200-year old tree would be affected by the development;
- Existing asbestos roofs would require careful removal;
- No knowledge of what was beneath the surface in the area to be excavated;
- Car parking problems in the near-by roads would be exacerbated;
- No access for emergency vehicles;
- The plans contained discrepancies.

**266. PLANNING APPLICATION**

*Planning Application PA09/01217/F  
Erection of twelve apartments  
Garage Block Adjacent to The Old Gaol  
Shute Hill, Helston  
For Graceloft Limited*

The Mayor had visited the application site and gave a presentation with the aid of photographs.

It was proposed by the Mayor, seconded by Councillor Mrs Matthew, and

RESOLVED – that the Town Council recommended refusal of Application PA09/01217/F as Members were of the opinion that:

- a) no allowance for parking on the development site would increase on-street parking in the immediate area causing a hazard to other highway users, contrary to Policy 27 of the Cornwall Structure Plan 2004;
- b) the design, height and massing of the development were not in keeping with the Conservation Area;
- c) the development would have an adverse affect on the Helston skyline; and
- d) there was a potential risk of flooding and the Application lacked information regarding drainage.

**Councillors Reynolds, RJJ Boase and Radford-Gaby voted against the Motion and Councillors Phillips, Pryor and Thomas voted in favour.**

**Meeting closed at 8.35pm**

**Confirmed**

**Town Mayor**