



# HOE

NEIGHBOURHOOD  
FORUM

## MINUTES

28 September 2022

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#### 1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Amelia Bray (AB) chaired the meeting, and welcomed all comers, including Councillor Ian Tuffin (IT). Apologies were received from Councillor Chris Penberthy, Penny Tarrant, Hugh Janes, Joan Jackson, Hilary Kolinsky, Ana Lambert and Angela Penrose.

#### 2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (26/07/22)

There were no matters arising from the minutes, and they were proposed as fair and accurate by Sue Dunn, seconded by Carole Worrall.

Several members expressed concerns over bins blocking the pavement at the bottom of Hoegate St, and there was discussion around general misplacing of bins and the responsibility of owners to number them etc. IT advised that he had tried to action the concerns with Hoegate St, and PCC officers are attempting to deal with the issues. There are problems around ownership of bins, numbering of bins, siting of bins, and enforcement of regulations over siting. The current Localism Act does not enhance council powers, and with new developments the planned area for bins is not always adhered to by residents.

A member raised the issue of road signs being left behind after road works have been completed, and being left in such a way as to pose trip hazards. IT advised that this should be raised with Highways, via the PCC website [plymouth.go.uk](http://plymouth.go.uk)

**Action: Members**

AB commented that these items should all be logged via the website, online, or on a phone which can pinpoint the exact location.

Several members commented on the state of the ground near the Beatle Bums. It appears as if there has been an attempt to dig them up, unsatisfactorily. IT said that he would ask CP about this.

**Action: IT and AB**

### **3. COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

CP sent his apologies but is unable to attend this meeting. He advised that he was not aware of any pressing matters that required attention at this time.

### **4. PLANNING REPORT (MW)**

The Planning Report was sent to members prior to the meeting. An updated copy is attached to these minutes.

Martin Worrall kindly read the report to the meeting.

Martin advised the meeting of 2 new applications.

2 The Crescent. There is an application for 7 vinyl advertisements the full size of the windows, and 1 banner on the front railings for orthodontist treatment.

Discussion followed, and MW asked anyone with an objection to do so before 20 October.

Plymouth Marine Laboratory. There is an application for a stand-by generator to support the research of the laboratory in the case of an outage. The generator will run only while there is a power outage. The back-up is to ensure that no research data or operational delivery is lost.

A noise impact statement has been submitted by the applicant, which states that the noise level would not breach British Standards, and would be of a temporary nature.

Some discussion ensued, over ambient noise and the area affected by the noise.

It was suggested that there could be a request to ensure keeping the noise to a minimum.

Any comments to be made by 18 October.

Kim Stevenson voiced concerns over the application for a shop and an off licence to be open until midnight, at Saltwater Place in Notte St, opposite The Walrus. Kim had noticed that there were only 2 objections currently, to this application. MW commented that it was not within the HNF zone, although it is likely to impact residents. A discussion of licensed premises in the area followed, with concerns raised about having 2 off licence premises so close together. Possible repercussions were considered, as to what may ensue, if the new shop/off licence is granted.

IT said that it is important for residents to voice their concerns, especially with direct evidence.

Objections/Comments to be sent to the Licensing Department before 11 October.

(Please note, since our meeting, the applicant has revised their application to be licensed to sell alcohol up to 11pm only and has removed plans about including an onsite area for consumption.)

## 5. HCARA items

No pressing items were presented.

AB told the meeting that there will be a presentation at The Invicta on 30 November at 7pm, by Chris Robinson, with images of Victorian Plymouth. Tickets to be purchased from Sue Dunn - £5.

## 6. Neighbourhood Plan (NP)

As Hilary is unable to attend the meeting, she kindly sent this update:

*Unfortunately the delayed response from PCC regarding the Register Office site has had a knock-on effect on our plans for a summer consultation period, and due to the long lead times for Examiner consideration and approval this means we are unlikely to meet our target for taking the plan to referendum in May 2023.*

*We continue to press ahead and do what we can: Penny has been in touch with PCC to progress the Register Office discussion, whilst I have been lining up additional support from neighbourhood planning consultants Plan-et <https://www.plan-et.community/> for the final draft and accompanying reports. Plan-et are very experienced in supporting neighbourhood planning groups, and we hope to use their expertise to add further weight to policy wording before we submit the final draft for examination. I will be in touch with all the sub-groups to discuss what this may entail and to seek their agreement, on my return from holiday.*

*Thanks again to all the sub-group members for their hard work on the plan, and to everyone for their patience whilst we work through the final steps.*

## 7. Register Office

No further news.

## 8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Feedback on the PCC Parking consultation.  
Some members expressed disquiet with the potential risk to residents of more electric charging points, less parking for residents, and that the overnight parking permits stop at 08:00 which can be a problem for guest houses etc.  
There was also a request for feedback from the consultation.  
IT advised that PCC are required to consult, and that this often is relevant to budgetary shortfalls.

**Action: AB to ask for better feedback from PCC**

- Concerns were raised over the possible encroachment of parking at 1 Elliot Terrace onto the pavement. IT said that this should be raised with the police.

## NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be at the Bowling Club, on **Wednesday 26 October 2022 at 19.30** The meeting will be a joint meeting of HCARA and HNF.