

# **EAST DEVON DISTRICT COUNCIL**

## **Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Council held at Knowle, Sidmouth on Wednesday, 14 June 2006**

### **Present:**

### **Councillors:**

Lt Col A J M Drake (Chairman)  
G P Chamberlain (Vice-Chairman)

Mrs K J Bamsey	G K Liverton
Mrs M J Boote	Ms S M Merritt
R W Boote	A T Moulding
T A Cope	R Mudge
A E J Dinnis	J B Nicholson
P A Diviani	Mrs H E Parr
Mrs C E Drew	R C Peachey
Miss J M Elson	A W J Reed
J E D Falby	T G Reeves
R G Franklin	Mrs L A Roden
C F A Gibbings	Mrs P A Stott
J H Glanvill	Mrs B O Taylor
Mrs P A Graham	A J Toye
M J L Green	B J Toye
J P Halse	C H Wale
S Hughes	A J Wilkinson
B O Ingham	Mrs E E Wragg
J A Knight	S C Wragg
Mrs A E Liverton	

### **Apologies**

### **Councillors:**

Miss V Ash	H J Jeffery
D G Button	S C Luxton
D J Cox	Miss S M Randall Johnson
A R Giles	N J Spence
Mrs M L Hardy	Dr H W Waterworth

The meeting started at 6.30 pm and ended at 6.38 pm

### **\*1 Announcement by the Vice-Chairman of the Council**

The Vice-Chairman, Councillor Geoff Chamberlain, apologised for his absence at the annual meeting of the Council. He had been elected Vice-Chairman in his absence. He thanked Members for their confidence in electing him to continue in this office for a further year.

### **\*2 East Devon Local Plan 1995 – 2011 – Response to proposed modifications**

The report had been considered in the first instance by the Development Control Committee at its meeting on 6 June 2006. The recommendations from that Committee were circulated to Members.

The Portfolio Holder – Environment congratulated the team which had progress the Local Plan to this stage, referring particularly to Kate Little, John Maidment, Matt Dickins, Claire Rodway, Frank Woolston and Samantha Whelton. He reminded Members that they had been given the opportunity to comment on the Plan throughout the various stages.

\*2 **East Devon Local Plan 1995 – 2011 – Response to proposed modifications (cont) ..**

Comment was made on Proposed Modification Number 145 and the correction to the boundary of the area to the north of Lovering Farm in Exmouth and Lypstone Parish so that this area was now excluded from the Area of Great Landscape Value designation. Officers did not consider this correction to be a material change to the Plan. Members raised concerns that development on that site could exacerbate the traffic problems in the area and that any development should be contained within the Exmouth parish boundaries to maintain the 'buffer' between Exmouth and Lypstone. This was seen as a hypothetical argument as the site was outside the Built-up Area Boundary and no application for planning permission had been submitted. If a planning application was submitted, then it would be considered on its merits when traffic and environmental considerations would be taken into account.

The Chairman, on behalf of the Council, thanked Kate Little and her team for overseeing, preparing and progressing the Local Plan. He said that this had been a significant achievement and the Plan itself would be a useful planning tool. He acknowledged the team's hard work and dedication.

**RESOLVED**

- (1) that no further modifications be made to the Local Plan that would materially affect its content and necessitate further public consultation,
- (2) that the non-material modifications, recommended by Officers in their report, be approved,
- (3) that Officers be authorised to make the necessary factual amendments and/or consequential amendments to the modified Local Plan as proposed to be adopted,
- (4) that the East Devon Local Plan 1995 to 2011 be adopted as proposed to be modified and notice given of this decision in accordance with the Regulations.

Chairman ..... Date.....