

BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (ENTERPRISE ZONE) COMMITTEE
HELD ON 20TH JUNE 2013 AT 2PM**

P Councillor Abraham
P Councillor Breckels
P Councillor Budd
P Councillor Campion-Smith
P Councillor Holland (substituting for Cllr C Smith)
A Councillor Hoyt
A Councillor Negus
P Councillor Pickup
A Councillor C Smith
A Councillor Threlfall
P Councillor Windows

**DCEZ
1.6/13**

ELECTION OF CHAIR - 2013/14

**RESOLVED - that Councillor Breckels be elected
Chair of the Development Control
(Enterprise Zone) Committee for the
ensuing municipal year.**

**DCEZ
2.6/13**

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIR - 2013/14

**RESOLVED - that Councillor Negus be elected Vice-
Chair of the Development Control
(Enterprise Zone) Committee for the
ensuing municipal year.**

**DCEZ
3.6/13**

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE, SUBSTITUTIONS AND
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Apologies were received from Councillors Hoyt, Negus and Colin Smith.

It was noted that the third Liberal Democrat seat on the Committee had yet to be confirmed.

**DCEZ
4.6/13**

MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED - that membership of the Development Control (Enterprise Zone) Committee for the 2013/14 municipal year be as follows:-

**Councillor Breckels
Councillor Pickup
Councillor Threlfall
Councillor Campion-Smith
Councillor Negus
Councillor Abraham
Councillor Windows
Councillor Hoyt
Councillor Budd
Councillor C Smith
Vacancy – Lib Dem Group**

**DCEZ
5.6/13**

MEMBERSHIP CRITERIA AND MEETING ARRANGEMENTS

Members discussed arrangements for the Committee.

The following is a summary of issues raised during the discussion:

- It was noted that officer recommendations that there should be one single Development Control Committee had not been taken forward as members were unhappy with that approach. An officer proposal that the Enterprise Zone Committee comprises only councillors with several years' experience of serving on a development control committee had similarly not been taken up, although it was accepted that all DC members should undergo the necessary training in order that they were properly equipped to carry out the role;
- A member queried the need for a programme of scheduled meetings if the argument for having a dedicated Enterprise Zone Committee was that it was able respond rapidly to planning to planning applications within the Zone. Having fixed meetings would be no more flexible than the current area DC Committee arrangements. He also felt that having an additional structure to

service, was unhelpful to officers at a time of budget cuts / reduced staffing levels.

- The Chair responded that a programme of quarterly meetings would give precisely the flexibility of response which was needed. If it was necessary to get a meeting together at a different time to consider a specific application, this too should be possible; and
- It was agreed that an outline work programme for the Committee for 2013/14 should be prepared and circulated to members.

**DCEZ
6.6/13**

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

**DCEZ
7.6/13**

TERMS OF REFERENCE

RESOLVED - that the terms of reference for the Development Control (Enterprise Zone) Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year as approved by full Council and set out on the agenda be noted.

**DCEZ
8.6/13**

DATES AND TIMES OF MEETINGS 2013/14

RESOLVED - that the Development Control (Enterprise Zone) Committee meet on the following dates at 2pm in the 2013/14 municipal year:-

**Thursday 12th September 2013
Thursday 12th December 2013
Wednesday 6th March 2014**

**DCEZ
9.6/13**

MINUTES – 13TH DECEMBER 2012

RESOLVED - that the minutes of Development Control (Enterprise Zone) Committee on 13th December 2012 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

**DCEZ
10.6/13**

MINUTES – 24TH JANUARY 2013

RESOLVED - that the minutes of Development Control (Enterprise Zone) Committee on 24th January 2013 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

(The meeting ended at 3.35 pm)

CHAIR