

BRISTOL CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY AND GREENS COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 9TH OCTOBER 2006 AT 2.00 P.M.

A Councillor Jackson  
P Councillor Bolton  
A Councillor I. Cooper  
P Councillor Crispin  
P Councillor Daniels  
P Councillor Davies  
P Councillor Quartley (in the Chair)

**PROWG  
13.10/06 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

Apologies were received from Councillor Jackson. Councillor Linda Salter substituted. Councillor Cooper was not present.

**PROWG  
14.10/06 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Peter Crispin declared a personal interest because he had been a Member of the Development Control (Central) Committee 19 April 2006 which had considered the planning application submitted by the Director of Children's Services in respect of three grass sports pitches on South Purdown.

**PROWG  
15.10/06 MINUTES - PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY AND GREENS  
COMMITTEE - 24TH JULY 2006**

**RESOLVED - that the minutes of the meeting of the Public Rights of Way and Greens Committee held on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2006 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.**

***Matters arising***

Minute No. 8.7/07 (Matter arising)

In response to questions the Director of Planning, Transport and Sustainable Development representative confirmed the following -

- (i) the work had commenced;
- (ii) the Council were not liable for the wall because they did not own it;
- (iii) information regarding costs was not known and so it was agreed to make this information available outside of this committee meeting.

**PROWG  
16.10/06**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - STATEMENTS AND  
PETITIONS**

None.

**PROWG  
17.10/06**

**APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF LAND AT SOUTH  
PURDOWN, LOCKLEAZE AS A TOWN OR VILLAGE  
GREEN**

The committee considered a report of the Director of Central Support Services (Head of Legal Services)) (agenda item no. 5) seeking approval for the appointment of an Inspector to establish whether the land in question comes within the definition of a town or village green under the Commons Registration Act 1965 as amended.

An addendum to the report summarising the applicants case had been circulated prior to the meeting and placed on the Minute Book as a formal record.

In response to questions asked the Head of Legal Services representatives confirmed that -

- (i) at the current time precise costs were not known however if the Inspector advised against a public inquiry the cost was likely to be a few hundred pounds. If a public inquiry was found to be the most appropriate course of action then the costs could rise to a few thousand pounds;
- (ii) the applicants were entitled to legal

representation, but it was not possible for the Council's lawyers to provide this;

- (iii) the applicants would be kept informed of developments, and would be consulted before any inquiry was arranged.

On being put to the vote there were five in favour of approving the appointment of an Inspector with one abstention.

**RESOLVED - that the appointment of an independent Inspector to report to the committee and to make a recommendation as to whether or not to register the land as a green be approved.**

**PROWG  
18.10/06**

**UPDATE REPORT - RIGHTS OF WAY**

The committee considered a joint report of the Director of Planning, Transport and Sustainable Development and the Director of Central Support Services (Head of Legal Services)) (agenda item no. 6) reporting for information on the present position with regard to Wildlife and Countryside Act applications; town or village green applications; public inquiries; and miscellaneous rights of way orders, agreements and legal proceedings.

An amended Appendix B was circulated at the meeting and placed on the Minute Book as a formal record.

**RESOLVED - that the report be noted.**

(The meeting ended at 2.20 pm)

CHAIR