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# ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS TOWN FORUM

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Thursday 10 April 2008

## Agenda

**Venue:** Council Chamber, Town Hall  
**Time:** 7.30pm

1. Apologies
2. Membership changes (*Standard Item*)

Peter Unwin, **Broadmead/Broadwater Down**, was welcomed as a new member of the Town Forum at the March meeting of the Town Forum; unfortunately, Peter felt that he was now unable to continue with his membership and therefore was no longer a member of the Town Forum. Peter Gurr, **Camden Park Residents' Association**, has resigned from the Town Forum.

3. Minutes of 6 March 2008 meeting (please advise Samantha Timms of any amendments prior to the meeting) <http://www.townforum.org.uk/minutes/minutes06032008.pdf>

### ***Amendment to minute 11 'Reports from Working Groups' – 'Local Development Framework - Core Strategy' Working Group***

The last two paragraphs should actually not fall under the Vision Committee heading but under the Local Development Framework Working Party heading.

### ***Amendment to minute 11 'Reports from Working Groups' - Vision Committee***

Second paragraph, not Michael Larsen, but Michael Doyle (Hawkenbury Village Association) attended the Draft Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment workshop (Camden Centre 6 March 2008) as stated in the minutes; additional attendees: Daniel Bech (RTW Town Forum / The Telephone House Neighbours Association), Philip Whitbourn (RTW TF / Beulah Road Residents Association) Kate Sergeant (RTW TF / Clarence Road Residents Association).

### ***Amendment to minute 12 'Any other Business' 'Withdrawal of Councillors' – Change of wording to paragraph to read:***

"Withdrawal of Councillors - Michael Doyle asked that Christopher Thomas write a letter to the Council's Monitoring Officer asking for clarification as to why/when Borough Councillors should leave Town Forum meetings when invited guests, who have made planning applications, come and talk. This request being made because Councillors elected to vacate without even knowing what was going to be said. When is information relevant to a planning issue and when is it not? If information given does not relate to the planning request is that information inappropriate to be heard?"

Matters arising. **None received**

4. Reports from Borough Councillors (*verbal - if any*)
5. "Grot Spots Revisited" – Presented by Daniel Bech
6. Report from Working Groups / Vision Committee, *if any*

#### **"Local Development Framework - Core Strategy"**

Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment (SHLAA) Methodology

A) RTW TF comments to TWBC consultation 22 March 2008

<http://www.townforum.org.uk/consultation/corestrategystage3-rtwtfcomments220308.pdf>

B) RTW Civic Society's submission

- but no doc available (to be provided by TF member)

7. Any other business

*(Community issues, this section is for any association/members to provide details of activities they have undertaken/activities they want promoted in written format prior to the meeting, dates for receipt of items for the next Town Forum will be given at the meeting. Any association/member wishing to make a short verbal comment need to raise that fact and be aware it must be short.)*

**Members' Reports**

**Public Consultation on Development Control Validation Checklist  
(Planning Services – Development Control Team Leader, Andrew Taylor)**

- A) Residents Association for Beulah Road – comments to TWBC consultation  
<http://www.townforum.org.uk/members/beulah/developmentcontrol-comments210208.pdf>
- B) The Telephone House Neighbours Association – comments to TWBC consultation  
[http://www.telephonehouse.org.ukdevelopment\\_analysis/developmentcontrolvalidation-april2008.pdf](http://www.telephonehouse.org.ukdevelopment_analysis/developmentcontrolvalidation-april2008.pdf)

**Results of Residents' Parking Zone Review – Zone C (CULVERDEN Ward / PARK partially)  
(Head of Environment and Street Scene Services, Gary Stevenson / Traffic Engineer, Caroline Elliott)  
The Telephone House Neighbours Association  
<http://www.townforum.org.uk/membersreport/thna-report-parkingzonec-200308.pdf>**

8. Dates of future meetings for the Town Forum's information; please make a note in your diaries:

- Thursday 15 May 2008 at 7.30pm
- Thursday 19 June 2008 at 7.30pm
- Thursday 31 July 2008 at 7.30pm
- Thursday 25 September 2008 at 7.30pm
- Thursday 30 October 2008 at 7.30pm
- Thursday 27 November 2008 at 7.30pm
- Thursday 18 December 2008 at 7.30pm  
(3<sup>rd</sup> week in December due to last week being Christmas day)

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