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NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a **PLANNING FORUM** will be held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Southbank Road, at **7.00 pm** on **Thursday 11 November 2010**, when your attendance is requested.

Town Clerk

A G E N D A

1. Introduction of Planning Officer by Chairman.
2. Apologies.
3. Declarations of Interest.
4. Minutes of 19th October 2006. (Copy attached; the 2007, 2008 and 2009 Planning Forums were cancelled due to lack of business).
5. Matters arising.
6. Questions submitted in writing on:
 - (1). Future of Talisman Square and its environs, with special reference to:
 - The status of all plans and consents for Talisman Square and the former Budgens premises/zone.
 - The likely constraints on any proposals seeking an integrated and coherent regeneration of the Talisman Square and the former Budgens premises/zone.
 - How the owners of property in the Talisman Square and former Budgens zone, along with WDC, view the options for future development of the Talisman Square and the former Budgens premises/zone.

- The progress on Phase 2 of the programme for Talisman Square and the likely start date of its implementation given the submission of a second planning application for a temporary car park.
 - Can compulsory purchase action be considered and, if so, to what use would the Council put the area?
- (2). Housing Policy post the Regional Spatial Strategy, with special reference to:
- What is the current thinking on further housing development in the town?
 - The continuing loss of employment land to housing development, together with the associated increase in the dormitory status of the town.
 - Warwick District Council guidelines currently authorize builders to start work in residential areas from 7.00 am on Monday – Friday. Given that an increasing number of people work from home, the high percentage of retired people, the adverse effects on traffic congestion and multiple deliveries often in the rush hour etc, would it not be appropriate to require later start times?
 - The protection of the Green Belt, especially in the Thickthorn area.
- (3). Planning Regulations and Appeals, with special reference to:
- Where multiple applications are rejected for a site and the Appeal process also rejects the submission, why are tax payers still picking up the cost of repeat applications, especially Appeal costs?
 - What options are available to residents opposed to the construction of dwellings in back gardens and other small plots, apart from formally requesting a Conservation Area to be declared?
 - Are the *not previously-developed land* provisions sufficiently robust and effective to prevent back land development?
- (4). WDC Design Guide Criteria (plus related regulations) and its application, with special reference to:
- The maintenance or enhancement of neighbourhood character.
 - The lack of discipline over the image of shop fronts and fascia's, which has resulted in a hotchpotch of styles that are totally out of keeping with the town and have seriously, diluted its' character.