AT A MEETING OF FAVERSHAM TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING COMMITEE held in the Guildhall, on Thursday 9th May 2024

Present: The Mayor Cllr Trevor Martin, Cllrs L Coniam, P Cook, R Crayford, A Eyre, C Gibson, B Jones, R Newman, H Perkin, and J Rowlands

In attendance: Adrienne Begent (Deputy Town Clerk)

138. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from J Saunders

139. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of interest are listed on the Planning Schedule.

140. MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr J Rowlands, seconded by Cllr L Coniam and on being put to the meeting it was *RESOLVED* to approve the Minutes of the Meeting of Faversham Town Council Planning Committee held on 22nd April 2024.

Cllr R Crayford abstained.

141. PLANNING SCHEDULE

The Planning Schedule dated 22nd April 2024 was noted. Cllr R Crayford abstained,

142. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

It was: **RESOLVED that recommendations be sent to Kent County Council (KCC) and Swale Borough Council (SBC) as set out Planning Schedule 9th May 2024.**

The Meeting ended at 20:25

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

Mrs Carol Gothan

Given that this is not a strategic site, its on 320 acres of farmland, it's for 2500 houses compared to the existing 8000 presently in Faverham, that SBC has met its 5 year land supply and 3 year housing delivery target, can we be assured that members have not made up their minds about the application given that members (not all) of the Planning Committee have met with Duchy representatives and received hospitality?

What Meetings have members of the Planning Committee had with representatives from the Ducy since the application went live?

Why is the document produced by the Town Council's Planning Consultant not on the website?

Why has the Town Council not exhibited the plans for the Duchy proposal?

Ms Lucy Barns

ONS (April 24) population is in decline, who are the houses for. There are issues with the Planning Portal, which does not seem capable of hosting such a large application.