

**MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 11th AUGUST 2015 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY**

Present: Councillors: R Budgen, S Cox, J Exton, AJ Gundry,
A C R Woodcock and W R Jones.

Members of the Public: 4

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A local resident spoke of her difficulties in of getting information from Bloor Homes or Wiltshire Council on the Filands application. She had particular concerns about the drainage scheme.

Councillor Budgen stated that he had seen correspondence between drainage experts at Wiltshire Council and Bloor Homes and added that revised plans will be published on the website.

He advised the resident to email the case officer for information and stated that documents would be available to view on-line shortly.

Iris Thompson asked about the role of a Wiltshire Councillor. She stated that she did not feel her views were being listened to or represented.

She was informed that Wiltshire Council have a grievance procedure.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors RF Sanderson and SJ Poole.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 14th JULY 2015

Resolved: that the Minutes be approved and signed as a correct record.

5. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS

N/a

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

38 – 22 Gastons Road

Resolved: No objection.

39 – 70 Foundry Road

Issues discussed included:

- The accuracy and adequacy of the plans;
- Objections from neighbours; and
- Whether the proposed development will overlook neighbouring properties.

Resolved: to delegate authority to Councillors Budgen & Gundry to carry out a site visit and to make a decision on behalf of the Committee.

40 – 106 Gloucester Road

Resolved: No objection.

41 – 54 Foundry Road

Resolved: No objection.

42 – 23 High Street

Issues discussed included:

- The need for the bank to be DDA compliant; and
- The impact on an attractive and prominent building in the Conservation Area.

Resolved: to state that the proposals may imbalance the symmetry of a prominent and attractive building in the Conservation Area and to ask whether there is another option to make the cash machines DDA compliant.

43 – United Reformed Church

Resolved: No objection.

44 – The Old Bell Hotel

Resolved: No objection.

45 – Land south of Filands

Resolved: No objection.

46 – 20 Oxford Street

Withdrawn.

47 – 6 Oxford Street

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Tree Warden.

48 – 6 The Maltings

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Tree Warden.

49 – Oldwalls, Holloway

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Tree Warden.

50 – Kingswall House

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Tree Warden.

51 – 43 Foundry Road

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Tree Warden.

52 – Abbey Lea

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Tree Warden.

53 – 1 Chubb Close

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Tree Warden.

54 – 83 High Street

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Tree Warden.

6b. UNRESOLVED PLANNING ISSUES

The Committee noted correspondence from a local resident concerning an application at Wynyards Mill (15/05085/VAR).

Resolved: to contact Wiltshire Council stating that the Town Council resolved to ask that a condition be added to any approval, stating that the footprint of the building should not be increased in any future application. **J Whittleton.**

7. COMMUNITY ISSUE 3534

Consideration was given to Report No.1 which sought the Committee's view on the Community Issue following its consideration by the Community Area Transport Group.

Resolved: that

- 1) A Parklands-Park Road HGV route into town as an alternative to Bristol Street would not be investigated further.
- 2) To discuss with Wiltshire Council Transport Planning:
A radical HGV route into town from the west via Tetbury.
The erroneous routings of the Wiltshire Council Freight Gateway online system.
Councillor Gundry.

8. COMMUNITY ISSUE 3535

Consideration was given to Report No.2 which sought the Committee's view on the Community Issue following its consideration by the Community Area Transport Group.

Resolved:

- 1) To discuss with Wiltshire Council Transport Planning the traffic signage:
 - A larger and more prominently-positioned "All destinations" HGV sign on the Priory Roundabout
 - New signage at the junction of Park Road and Gloucester Road pointing north to Cirencester, Tetbury, Chippenham and M4
 - Clarifying the wording on the existing "Weight limit 7.5 tonnes / Town centre ahead" sign by the Fire Station
 - Repeating a clarified sign as above at the junction of Park Road and Gloucester Road
 - On the rebuilding of the A429 / B4014 Filands junction, a more prominent "Industrial Estates" sign
 - Options for "Don't Trust Your SatNav" signage.
- 2) **Councillor Gundry** to action the above in conjunction with actions from item 7, ideally by inviting Transport Planning Officers to attend a local meeting.

9. COMMUNITY ISSUES

The Committee noted Report No.3 which gave an update on issues considered by the Community Area Transport Group.

10. WILTSHIRE COUNCIL BUS CONSULTATION

The Committee noted Report No.4 which stated that Wiltshire Council were about to undertake consultation on the provision of bus services in light of their need to dramatically reduce the level of subsidy they provide to bus operators.

11. STATION YARD LITTER

The Committee noted that a site meeting had taken place with Wiltshire Council's Youth Development Officer.

Resolved: to support the proposal to reposition and replace 2 Wiltshire Council bins and to provide a new bin at Station Yard.

12. PARISH STEWARD

Resolved: to email Councillors in order to draw up a list of tasks for the Parish Steward for the week commencing 24th August. **J Whittleton.**

13. INFORMATION FROM THE CLERK

The Committee were informed that Wiltshire Council are planning to carry out de-silting works below the Town Bridge from the 24th August.

Wiltshire Council have carried out an inspection of the damaged railings at Foxley Road. They have deemed that the railings do not serve a practical highways purpose as they would neither serve the purpose of a crash barrier or a pedestrian hand rail. As such they have decided not to renovate the railings at this time.

Wiltshire Council have been consulting their Conservation Team in order to source a like-for-like replacement for the St John's Bridge railings. They have stated that if it is not possible to find a suitable replacement an alternative barrier may have to be provided. In which case the Town Council will be consulted.

Filands Litter: Wiltshire Council have confirmed that Filands is on a 3 month litter picking schedule.

Community litter picking: details for organising a community litter pick can be found here:

<https://pages.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/roadsstreetcleaning/litterpickingequipmentrequestform.htm>

Dropped Kerb Filands: This matter is being considered by the CATG.

Speed Bump o/s Smoking Dog: The works have been completed.

Gritting Routes (St Aldhelm's Road & Willow View Close): Wiltshire Council have conformed that they will not be providing new grit bins. Any new bins will have to be provided by the Town Council.

Action – to consider at the next meeting. J Whittleton

Correspondence concerning the Market Cross: to ask the Town Promotion & Tourism Committee to look at the issue (letter from Mr T Fox).

Action – J Whittleton to ask the TP&T Committee to consider the issue.

Meeting closed at 8:47pm