

MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 31st MARCH 2014 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY

Present: Councillors: J Gundry, FE Caton, S Cox, JM Exton and L Penfold.

Other Councillors Present: K Power and S Poole

Members of Public: Two.

At the Chairman's invitation Councillor S Cox paid tribute to the late Councillor M Snell who passed away the weekend before the meeting. He stated that Councillor Snell had been mayor back in 1985 and cited this as evidence of long service to the community. He noted that Councillor Snell was a very kind and helpful man and would often busy himself by helping others.

The Committee recorded it's sorrow at the passing of Councillor Snell.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr S Cox declared an interest in Agenda Item 6a Application M102 & M103, as a neighbour of the applicant.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

None.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors RE Budgen and ACR Woodcock.

4. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12th MARCH 2014

Resolved: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 12th March 2014 be approved and signed as a correct record.

5. PROGRESS ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

(2/14) BT manhole cover. Wiltshire Council have put the area down for extra gritting. They believe that the problem has been caused by a spring which will need to be diverted.

(2/13) Litter bins in Filands. The issue has been raised with M Perrott from Wiltshire Council. **James Whittleton** to update the Committee when the work is carried out.

(10/13) Grit Bins. A response from Wiltshire Council's Severe Weather Officer.

(2/14) Dropped Kerb Filands. A site visit involving Wiltshire Council, the Town Council and the Young family is expected shortly. **James Whittleton** to keep the Committee updated.

(2/14) Government Funds for Flooding areas. Wiltshire Council will host a page on their website about applying. **Councillor Gundry** to pass on details to persons affected by flooding.

(3/14) Pavements. **Councillor Gundry** to circulate the notes from the conversation between Councillor Kettleby and M Perrott.

6a. **PLANNING ISSUES**

M102 & M103 – 27/27a Abbey Row

Resolved: to support the application.

M104 – 58 Baskerville

Resolved: to support the application.

M105 – 2 Hitchings Close

Resolved: to support the application.

M106 – 1 Park Road

Issues discussed included:

- The previous application on the site and the difference between the current and previous application.

Resolved: to support the application and to make the following observation to Wiltshire Council: It is very difficult to ascertain the difference between this application and the earlier one.

M107 – The Firs, Foxley Road

Resolved: to support the application.

M108 – 33 Gastons Road

Resolved: to support the application.

M109 – 93 Gloucester Road

Resolved: to support the application.

M110 – 1 High Street

Resolved: to support the application.

M111 – 44 Bristol Street

Resolved: to support the application.

James Whittleton to forward the Committee's comments to Wiltshire Council.

6b. **UNRESOLVED PLANNING ISSUES**

A discussion took place about shop signage in the Town following observations from the Civic Trust. The Committee noted the importance of maintaining the appearance of the Conservation Area and that Wiltshire Council had been contacted about the issue.

Resolved: to Ask the Conservation Group to consider signage in St Dennis Street, the Chip Shop and Lloyds Bank. **Councillor Exton**

7. UPDATES FROM WORKING GROUPS

Pavements Working Group: The Committee noted the need to add St John's Street to the list compiled by the Working Group. J **Whittleton** to inform Councillor Kettley.

MNSG: The Park Road Appeal begins this week.

8. REPORT OF THE LORRIES WORKING GROUP

Consideration was given to Report No.1 from the Lorries working Group.

Issues discussed included:

- That M Alvis has endorsed the findings of the Report;
- The possibility of using 'don't follow your sat-nav' signs;
- Delivery times;
- Recent improvements from the use of smaller buses;
- The possibility of herring bone parking on one side of the High Street; and
- The need to review parking throughout the Town.

Resolved:

- 1) **Councillor Gundry** to write to prominent delivery companies who have business in and around the Town, informing them of restrictions and problems caused by inconsiderate deliveries.
- 2) **Councillor Gundry** to contact the Town Team, asking them to consider delivery times.
- 3) To ask Wiltshire Council to consider amended signage. **Councillor Power and J Whittleton**
- 4) To site a notice in the lorry-stop by the M4 outlining restrictions in the Town. **Councillor Gundry**
- 5) To raise the problem of lorries as an issue sheet with Wiltshire Council. **Councillor Power**

9. INFORMATION FROM THE CLERK

To invite the Tree Warden to address the Committee in the next municipal year. **James Whittleton**

To ensure that M Perrott has received the photo of railings in Foxley Road/ Bristol Street. **James Whittleton**

The meeting closed at 8.10pm