

**MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON 25<sup>th</sup> JULY 2014 2014 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY**

**Present:** Councillors: RE Budgen, JE Exton and L Penfold.  
**Other Councillors Present:** S Poole.  
**Other Representatives Present:** J Pearson (Tree Warden).  
**Members of Public:** Four.

**1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Councillor Penfold stated that tail backs on the A429 southbound, caused by Waitrose works were causing significant disruption and are disproportionate to the works being done.

**James Whittleton** to contact the Project Manager, passing on Councillor Penfold's comments.

**3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillors AJ Gundry, FE Caton and RF Sanderson.

**4. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 3<sup>RD</sup> AND 11<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2014**

**Resolved:** that the Minutes of the meetings held on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> June 2014 be approved and signed as a correct record.

**5. PROGRESS ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**James Whittleton** to contact M Gilmour (Wiltshire Council) to determine whether specific proposals for the bus shelter have been received.

**Jeff Penfold** to prepare tender documents for the works in St Aldhelms Mead.

**James Whittleton** to append the notes of his meeting with M Perrott to these Minutes.

**Councillor R Budgen** to present an update of issues at the Maltings at the next meeting.

## 6. TREE WARDEN

Jennifer Pearson, the Tree Warden for the Malmesbury Area was in attendance to outline some of her work over the last year. She stated that she had been involved in the following:

- Guest speaker at a MRVT event;
- Submitted comments on tree works applications;
- Worked with Wiltshire Council's Rights of Way Officers and Tree Officers;
- Organised a Tree Survey at Conigre Mead, which involved 30 volunteers who collected data for over 1,000 trees;
- Attended a Tree Warden event at the Fuller's Estate;
- Found a local tree supplier;
- Attended a woodland archaeology course;
- Spoken to local residents/applicants about tree applications; and
- Is in contact with Waitrose about a tree-planting scheme to offset carbon emissions.

The Chairman thanked the Tree Warden for her attendance and work this year.

**Resolved:** To award the stipend of £150 for 2014/15 for the Tree Wardens expenses.

## 7a. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### 9 – 14 Gastons Road

The Committee noted that a retrospective application had been submitted as problems had been encountered during building works.

**Resolved:** to **SUPPORT** the application.

### 10 – The Paddock, Worthies Lane

**Resolved:** to devolve authority to the Tree Warden to make comments.

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### 13 – 16 High Street

**Resolved:** to **SUPPORT** the application.

#### **14 – 58 White Lion Park**

**Resolved:** to **SUPPORT** the application.

#### **15 – 2A Silver Street**

Representations were received from local residents who were concerned about traffic, illegal parking, people driving the wrong way down Silver Street and litter.

Issues discussed included:

- That the application gives no reason why Condition 4 (take away provision) should be revised;
- The concerns of local residents;
- The possibility that minor problems could escalate if the premises advertises as a takeaway; and
- The need to support local businesses balanced against planning issues.

**Resolved:** to **OBJECT** to the application as no planning or commercial reasons have been provided for the Conditions removal and because the proposed change would have a detrimental impact on neighbouring residential properties in terms of litter, noise, traffic safety and illegal parking.

**J Whittleton** to forward the Committee's comments to Wiltshire Council.

#### **7b UNRESOLVED PLANNING ISSUES**

None.

#### **8. UPDATES FROM WORKING GROUPS**

Deferred until the next meeting.

#### **9. INFORMATION FROM THE CLERK**

None.

**The meeting closed at 8.04pm**