

**MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 28th OCTOBER 2014 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY**

Present: Councillors: AJ Gundry (Chairman), RE Budgen, F Caton, S Cox, JE Exton, S Poole and RF Sanderson.

Members of the Public: None

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Councillor Budgen stated that as Chair of Malmesbury St Paul Without he has been asked by Minton whether the Town Council would be able to contribute towards the upgrade of the sluice-gates.

Resolved: Councillor Budgen to ask Mintons to hold off until the Environment Agency remodelling has come through.

Councillor Cox asked whether anything had been heard from Greensquare about Kattifer Lane.

Councillor Gundry stated that the matter was not being dealt with by this Committee and that he had not heard of any development.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor ACR Woodcock.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 12th AUGUST 2014

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

5. PROGRESS ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Kwik-Fit Lighting: **Councillors R Budgen & J Gundry** to continue to monitor.

Trees in river in Abbey House Gardens. The Committee noted that works were in the process of being carried out by the land owner.

Foundry Road Wall. The Committee noted that the wall has been repaired.

Sign in the Horsefair. The Committee noted the response from M Beavan of Wiltshire Council Highways, which stated that the sign for Foundry Road was placed on an existing post to avoid cost and that Wiltshire Council were happy to remove it if required. **Councillor Gundry** to investigate the options for replacing the sign and report back

6a. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

51 – Whychurch Roundabout

Resolved: Strongly Object - The signs detract from the visual amenity of this location, especially the entrance to Malmesbury down the ancient Holloway. Concern about what further revenue-generating signage might be proposed here.

52 – Unit 1 Cranmore House

Resolved: to support the application.

53 – 62a Foundry Road

Resolved: to support the application.

54 – 26 Burnham Road

Resolved: to support the application.

55 – Russetts, Tetbury Hill

Resolved: to support the application.

56 – 29 The Maltings

Resolved: to support the application.

57 – Tower House, Oxford Street

Resolved: to support the application subject to an assessment from the Conservation Officer.

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

6b UNRESOLVED PLANNING ISSUES

N/a

6c PLANNING UPDATES

The Committee noted that the weekly lists from Wiltshire Council were being distributed to the Committee.

7. UPDATE ON HIGHWAY/STREETSCENE ISSUES

N/a

8. BUDGET 2015/16

The Committee noted that the Flood Survey and assessment of works should be set against Earmarked Flood Funds. **J Whittleton** to look into making an adjustment.

Resolved: to request a budget of £4,500 for Strategic Planning for 2015/16

9. UPDATE ON FLOOD RELATED MATTERS

Consideration was given to two Reports giving updates on bank maintenance at Stainsbridge and flood relief works at the Town Bridge and the Meads.

Issues discussed included:

- That Wiltshire Council do not own the skateboard park land, merely lease it; **Councillor Gundry** to determine where the riparian responsibilities lie.
- The possibility of an environmental issues section on the Town Council website;
- That Wiltshire Council are expected to begin works around the Town Bridge in November. The Flood Working Group will meet with Wiltshire Council to determine the extent of the works. Wiltshire Council are apparently concerned about the foundations of the bridge; and
- That the Environment Agency will complete the remodelling of the river shortly, following which they will consider their next steps.

10. INFORMATION FROM THE CLERK

The Committee Clerk stated that he would be ordering grit bins this week.

Correspondence concerning traffic safety in the Burnham Road/ St Aldhelm's Road area had been received. The Committee determined to consider this issue at its next meeting **J Whittleton**.

The Committee noted that a response from Wiltshire Council had not been received about an issue raised in March (P&E 13th March – Light in Bristol St). The Committee determined to consider this issue at its next meeting **J Whittleton**.

The meeting closed at 8.39pm