

**MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 9th DECEMBER 2014 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY**

Present: Councillors: AJ Gundry (Chairman), RE Budgen, S Cox, JM Exton & RF Sanderson.

Members of the Public: None.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

None.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors ACR Woodcock, S Poole & FE Caton.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 18TH NOVEMBER 2014

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

5. PROGRESS ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Grit Bins – The Committee noted the need for a bin at the entrance to the play area at White Lion Park.

Councillor Exton to identify a site for a new bin.

J Whittleton to ascertain an approximate annual cost of replenishing road salt.

Councillor Gundry to ensure that the efforts of the Council receive press coverage.

6a. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

66 – 14 Burnham Road

Resolved: to support the application.

67&68 – 18 High Street

A discussion took place concerning the size and the effect of the signs on the Conservation Area and special status of businesses advertising medical and veterinary services in planning law.

Resolved: to register the Council's concern about the impact of the over-large signs on the Conservation Area. Whilst the Council can find no planning-based objection, the signs are out of place, unsightly and negatively impact on the street-scene. The Council also questions the need for two large signs.

69&70 – 12 Oxford Street

Resolved: to support the application.

71 – 96 High Street
Application withdrawn.

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

7. BLIND-SPOT ST ALDHELM'S ROAD/BURNHAM ROAD

Consideration was given to a series of photographs following a letter from A Jones about traffic safety just past Hodge Lane on St Aldhelm's/Burnham Road.

The Committee noted that an accident could be caused by the 'blind-spot' created by parked cars and that parking restrictions were needed to address the problem.

Resolved: that **Councillors Exton, Gundry and Sanderson** proceed with Wiltshire Councils Waiting Restriction Request Notice, with the aim of submitting an application by January.

8. REQUEST FOR DOUBLE YELLOW LINES ON THE B4040

Consideration was given to a series of photographs following a request for double yellow lines on the B4040 opposite The Light.

Resolved: that **Councillor Gundry** proceeds with Wiltshire Councils Waiting Restriction Request Notice, with the aim of submitting an application by January.

9. REQUEST FOR A DROPPED CURB BY THE MEMORIAL GATES

Consideration was given to a request from Mrs Palmer for a dropped curb to be placed by the Memorial Gates (on the Town side of the pavement), in order to allow her husband and others using mobility-scooters to access and egress from the Meads.

The Committee noted that further works to the Memorial Gates are planned (to remove the pooling-effect between the gates) and that this may present an opportunity to address the curb.

Resolved: to ask the Town Clerk to investigate the possibility of raising the entrance, so that it is flush with the pavement, when planned works take place. **J Whittleton.**

10. WILTSHIRE COUNCIL'S FLOOD MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

Consideration was given to a draft response to Wiltshire Council's Flood Management Strategy, prepared by Councillor J Gundry.

Resolved: that the response be approved and sent to Wiltshire Council. **Councillor Gundry.**

10. INFORMATION FROM THE CLERK

The Committee requested an update on Wiltshire Council 'app' issues at the next meeting. **J Whittleton.**

The meeting closed at 8.11pm.