

**MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 8th DECEMBER 2015 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY**

Present: Councillors: RE Budgen, S Cox, W Jones, RF Sanderson and ACR Woodcock.
Ten members of the public.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Tracy Ainsworth, a parent at Malmesbury Primary school told the Committee that her daughter had been run over near the crossing at the bottom of Tetbury Hill. She stated that after reporting the incident on the internet, she received a lot of comments from concerned residents about incidents and near-misses at the same location. She asked the Committee how local residents might best take the issue forward to improve pedestrian safety.

Councillor Budgen advised Mrs Ainsworth and concerned residents to pursue the matter by submitting a Community Issue Sheet. He stated that this would likely be considered at the Area Board in early March and then go to the Community Area Transport Group. He added that the group was supported by two highways/transport officers who are very pro-active and that the Group had satisfactorily addressed a number of similar issues in the past.

Councillor Sanderson stated that he would be happy to help local residents with the issue.

Resolved: that local residents complete a Community Issue sheet and that support be provided by the Committee Clerk and Councillor Sanderson if necessary.

Councillor Cox mentioned that the area around the recycling containers was often a mess. He asked whether Wiltshire Council could do more frequent litter picking or whether the Council's ground-staff could tidy the area.

Resolved: Councillor Cox to prepare a proposal to be considered at the next meeting.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors J Exton, AJ Gundry and H Webb

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17th NOVEMBER 2015

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

5. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS

N/a

6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

87 – The Workshop, Katifer Lane

Resolved: No objection subject to the correct category of usage applying to the application.

92 – Bear Garden, Kings Wall

The applicants were in attendance to answer to outline their proposals and answer any questions.

Issues discussed included:

- The height and elevations of the proposed development;
- That the modern design will allow for a lower pitched roof;
- That the applicants had sought pre-application advice; and
- The visual impact of the proposed development.

Resolved: to support the application.

93 – 4 Coopers Close

Resolved: No objection.

94 – Whychurch Farm

Resolved: No objection.

95 – 1 Old Railway Close

Issues discussed included:

- The history of development on the site; and
- The scale of the proposed development.

Resolved: to object to the application: The proposed development represents an overdevelopment of the site. The proposed out-building could be used as accommodation or as an office. The Committee also objects to the removal of the tree.

96 – 14 Ingram Street

Resolved: No objection.

97 – Wynyard Mill House

Resolved: No objection.

98 – 10 Michael Pym's Road

Resolved: No objection.

99 – 8 Kings Wall

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Conservation Officer.

7. GRIT BIN – ST ALDHELM'S ROAD

The Committee noted that Greensquare had confirmed that they own the land, however they have not reached a decision on whether the Council can site a bin on the green space.

Resolved: J Whittleton to ask Greensquare for a decision by the next meeting of the Committee.

8. BOWLS CLUB RAILINGS

Consideration was given to Report No.1 which sought the Committee's support for repairs to the railings near the Bowls Club.

Resolved:

- 1) To approve the repair works to the railings along St John's Street.
- 2) To contribute one-third of the cost of repairs, up to £1,000

9. SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE POLICY

Consideration was given to Report No.2 outlined the revised Wiltshire Council Mobile Speed Indicator Device Policy.

The Committee noted that a Wiltshire Council officer had stated that there would be no harm in provisionally expressing interest only to decide against such a scheme at a later date.

Resolved:

- 1) To continue discussing with other adjacent parishes and Wiltshire Council to establish a firm cost for this project and its likely share of these costs.
- 2) To send an expression of interest to Wiltshire Council Highways. **Action – Cllr Budgen**

Meeting closed at 8:22pm