

**MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 15th NOVEMBER 2016 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY**

Present: Councillors: R Budgen, S Cox, J Exton, AJ Gundry & W Jones

Other Councillors Present: Councillors CC Doody & K Power

Members of the Public: 5

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Councillor Cox raised the following issues:

- Litter and damage to the bus shelter opposite the Co-op;
- A tree in the river by Truckle Bridge;
- Litter by the recycling facilities in Station Yard is a constant problem and won't be solved by a single litter pick; and
- Litter under the by-pass.

Councillor Budgen stated that the committee clerk would look into these issues and respond at the next meeting. **J Whittleton**

Iris Thompson asked whether an application on the Dyson site for a university would incorporate a traffic survey.

Councillor Budgen stated that an application had not yet been submitted to Wiltshire Council and so it was not possible to answer.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors RF Sanderson, ACR Woodcock and H Webb.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26th OCTOBER

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

5. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS

Councillor Gundry stated that a meeting had taken place with local residents and the Wiltshire Council Highways engineer concerning the Waiting Restriction Request at the Light. The Engineer had drawn up a revised scheme as a result of hearing residents' concerns.

It was noted that a large Malmesbury in Bloom sponsorship sign had appeared in the Market Cross. Given the work done by Councillor Gundry and Councillor Power to remove advertisements from around the scheduled ancient monument, it was felt that this might set a precedent.

J Whittleton to write to the Community & Town Promotions Committee asking that this matter be considered.

6a. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

16/10084/FUL – 121 High Street

Resolved: No objection.

16/10000/LBC – 29 Abbey Row

Resolved: No objection.

16/10352/FUL – 1 Avon Edge

Resolved: No objection.

16/09991/FUL – 49 Gastons Road

Resolved: No objection.

16/10586/FUL & 16/10815/LBC – 67 Gloucester Road

Resolved: That Councillors R Budgen and J Gundry carry out a site visit.

J Whittleton to write to the owners of no. 67 & 69.

16/10554/TCA – 73 Bristol Street

Resolved: No objection subject to the views of the Tree Warden.

6b. UNRESOLVED PLANNING ISSUES

None.

7. PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT BUDGET 2016/17

Consideration was given to a draft budget for the following financial year and the likely projects to which the Council may be asked to contribute.

Resolved: that the following budget for 2016/17 be submitted to Council for approval:

Strategic Planning £5,625.

Car Parking £4,500.

8. PEDESTRIANISATION OF THE MARKET CROSS

Resolved: to defer consideration of this item to the next meeting. **J Whittleton** to place on Agenda, **Councillor Webb** to give an update.

9. PARISH STEWARD UPDATE

The Committee noted that the Council's grounds-staff had completed an inspection to ascertain whether the Parish Steward tasks had been completed.

The following tasks appear to have been completed:

- Overgrown vegetation Whychurch Hill (top half done).
- Litter pick in alley – back of Basevi Close & Old Alexander Road.

- Litter pick under by-pass at end of Baskerville.
- Weeds and litter – Alley between Athelstan Road and Pool Gastons Road.
- Weeds and litter – Silver Street, Back Hill and St Johns Street.

The Committee noted that a new set of tasks had been submitted and that Wiltshire Council had allocated times for these tasks (attached as Appendix 1 to these Minutes).

Resolved: to monitor these tasks. **J Whittleton** to place item on next agenda.

10. DOG BINS TRUCKLE BRIDGE

Consideration was given to correspondence asking for a dog bin in this area. The Committee noted that a request had already been made to Wiltshire Council to move a dog bin from St Aldhelm's Mead and place it in this location.

Resolved: that the committee clerk makes this request again. **J Whittleton**

11. CORRESPONDANCE FROM THE CONSERVATION GROUP – NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Consideration was given to correspondence from the Malmesbury & District Conservation Group concerning a mid-term review of the Neighbourhood Plan.

Resolved: to respond to the Conservation Group by stating that the Government will soon issue guidelines on amending Neighbourhood Plans and that it would be best to wait for these guidelines before making a decision.

12. CORRESPONDANCE FROM THE CONSERVATION GROUP – CIL PROJECTS

Resolved: to respond to the Conservation Group stating that the use of CIL will be determined by the Policy & Resources Committee, that the Abbey Bridge has been reported by the Council on the My-Wiltshire app, that painting the Town Bridge has been assigned to the Parish Steward and that the ugly fence is on private land.

13. COMMUNITY ISSUES

Consideration was given to a number of Community Issues in the Town and the Council's view of them.

3535 – HGV Signage in the Town Centre:

Resolved: to broadly support the measures, but to give further consideration to signage directing HGVs towards Sherston via The Triangle and to request that the word 'servicing' be replaced by the word 'deliveries' on some signs for clarity.

4524 – Dropped Kerb Lower High Street

Resolved: to support the Issue.

4600 – HGV Signage Blicks Hill

Resolved: to support the Issue.

4745 – Speed/Volume of Traffic Parklands

Resolved: to support the carrying out of a metro count.

4948 – Pedestrian Crossing – Park Road

Representations were received from two members of the public and Councillor Power who had concerns about road safety and the speed of traffic.

Resolved: to support a Pedestrian Survey.

3963 – Holloway Hill

The Committee noted that problems with sight lines had scuppered a scheme, that the area was the subject of a pending Waiting Restriction Request.

Resolved: Councillor Doody to submit photos/proposals for restrictions on the eastern side of the road, with a view to including these in the pending Waiting Restriction Request.

4933 – B4041 Speed Limit at Roundabout

Resolved: to support a metro count.

J Whittleton to communicate the Committees views to Wiltshire Council.

The Meeting closed at 8:40pm