

**MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 11th JULY 2017 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY**

Present: Councillors: RE Budgen, M Asciak J Exton, P Exton, AJ Gundry, WR Jones, K Power and H Webb

Also in attendance: PJ Newman

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Councillor Power asked whether the Town Council had been made aware of the expansion of schools. She stated that this could have an impact on the Neighbourhood Plan.

Councillor Budgen stated that it is anticipated that something will be announced in the next few days.

Councillor Power asked whether there was an update on the development behind the PCT.

Councillor Budgen stated that a decision could be expected in two weeks time.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21st JUNE 2017

Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting held on 21st June 2017 be approved and signed as a correct record.

5. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS

The Committee were informed that Glovers Court had been contacted about siting a bin on their land. It was not possible to fix a bin on the lamp-posts in the alley way.

The Committee Clerk reported that he had written to three householders about vegetation blocking pavements and road signs.

The Committee Clerk also stated that he had contacted Persimmon about grass cutting in Reeds Farm.

6a. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

17/05145/FUL – 40 Bristol Street

Resolved: To support the application subject to an assessment by Highways that such an arrangement is suitable.

17/05342/OUT – St Dennis House, 40 St Dennis Road

Issues discussed included:

- That the proposal would not be able to provide two parking spaces;
- The potential loss of employment space in the Town; and
- That little evidence of the property being marketed for office use was provided with the application.

Resolved: to Object to the application for the following reason: The application is contrary to Core Policy 35 v, there is no evidence to show that it has been marketed for employment use.

17/05620/FUL – Delmont House

Issues discussed included:

- The merits and demerits of the proposed design; and
- The scale, proportion and effect on neighbouring properties.

Resolved: to Object to the application for the following reasons: the proposed development by virtue of its design, scale and materials is inappropriate in the setting. The proposed development would also have an adverse visual impact on neighbouring properties and users of the Riverwalk.

17/04931/FUL – 16 High Street

Resolved: to Support the application.

17/05908/TCA – 29 Bristol Street

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

17/05904/TCA - 15-17 St Johns Street

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

17/06233/TCA – St Johns Street Car Park

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

J Whittleton to report the Councillors observations.

6b. UNRESOLVED PLANNING ISSUES

Councillor Gundry presented a series of photographs showing A boards in the Market Cross. The Committee noted that Wiltshire Council's Enforcement Officer had agreed with business owners that four boards could be used.

Resolved: to write to Wiltshire Council's Enforcement Officer enclosing photographs and stating that the agreement which he reached is being flouted. **J Whittleton**

7. BURNHAM ROAD – PROPOSED CATG SCHEME

Consideration was given to the proposed scheme from the CATG.

Issues discussed included:

- That the proposed scheme would facilitate disabled access from Burnham Court to the Town Centre;
- Difficulties faced by those with prams, wheelchairs and mobility scooters in the Town; and
- Whether the Committee had sufficient funds and the possibility of using CIL money for such a scheme.

Resolved: to request that the Policy & Resources Committee consider using CIL funds to contribute towards the scheme.

8. DROPPED KERB AT THE MEMORIAL GATES

Consideration was given to contributing towards the CATG scheme. The Committee had previously budgeted £750 towards the project and given their support towards the scheme.

The Parish/Town Council part of the scheme was now fixed at £1,050.

The Committee noted that St Paul Malmesbury Without Parish Council had agreed to contribute £300

Resolved: to approve £750 towards the scheme.

9. COMMUNITY ISSUE 5449 – IMPROVED SIGNAGE AT DARK LANE

Resolved: to support in principle, subject to the CATG coming back with a full plan and costing.

10. NOTIFICATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Committee noted that Wiltshire Council had decided to inform parishes of applications electronically, rather than by sending hard copies of planning applications.

The Committee noted that this could mean that applications were received earlier and that hard copies of substantial applications would still be produced.

11. UPDATE ON CIL MONIES RECEIVED

The Committee noted the CIL funds that had been received so far.

They noted that funds from the Churchill development at Gloucester Road were expected.

12. PARISH STEWARD TASKS

The Committee noted that the Parish Steward Feedback would be circulated when it was received. **J Whittleton**

13. PARISH STEWARD – UPDATED ADVICE ON THE SCHEME

The Committee noted the updated advice from Wiltshire Council.

Resolved:

- 1) To determine whether the Parish Steward can be used to put up road signs.
- 2) To determine whether links to the My Wiltshire App can be put on the Town Council's website. **J Whittleton**

14. HUNTER PAGE PRESENTATION

Consideration was given to an offer from Hunter Page to give a presentation on a proposed development at the former Lucent Technologies site. The Committee noted that the proposal was in the Lea & Cleverton area and that the site was not in the Neighbourhood Plan.

Resolved: to decline the offer of a presentation.

The Meeting closed at 8.14pm