

**MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD ON 16<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2018 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY**

**Present:** Councillors: RE Budgen, MJ Asciak, J Exton, P Exton,  
AJ Gundry, PJ Newman and K Power.  
**Other Members Present:** WR Jones.  
**Members of the Public:** 1

**1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

**2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

A question was received asking how to request a traffic count on the A429. Councillor Budgen stated that raising a Community Issue was the correct way to start the process.

**3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

None.

**4. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2018**

The Committee noted that the word 'area' appeared to have been omitted from the discussion on item seven, and that the sentence should read:

'The issue was being looked at with a view to tidying up the area which is in a Conservation *area* and within the curtilage of Grade 1 listed buildings.'

**Resolved:** that following the above amendment, the Minutes of the meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> December be approved and signed as a correct record.

**5. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS**

Land at Birdcage Walk. The Committee noted that a response had been received from Wiltshire Council's Waste & Recycling Collections Manager following the results of land searches being sent to the Council. She responded to say that they only require customers to store their waste off the highway, the fact that the owners of the property do not own the land on which the bin is placed does not concern them.

Lollipop Person vacancy. **J Whittleton** to find details of the vacancy and place on the Town Council website.

Metal Bins. To consider once a quote has come through. **J Whittleton**

Bridge at the bottom of the Abbey steps. Actions relating to this item to be carried over. **J Whittleton**

Red Phone Boxes. To consider the issue at the next meeting. **J Whittleton**

## 6a. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

### 17/12361/VAR - Waitrose

**Resolved:** No objection.

### 17/09142/LBC – 38 Gloucester Street

N/a – The Committee considered this application at a previous meeting.

### 17/12467/TCA – Wynyard Mill House, 40 Baskerville

The Committee noted that this had already been determined by Wiltshire Council.

**Resolved:** No comment

### 17/11257/FUL – Workshop, Gastons Road

Issues discussed included:

- The shortage of parking in the Town;
- Whether the proposal attempts to squeeze in too many spaces; and
- The comments of the neighbour in number 14 concerning light pollution and noise.

**Resolved:** To support the concept in principle, but to ask that any barrier is the subject of a separate application, that a thorough on-site assessment of the site is conducted by Highways and that Highways consider the comments of the neighbour at No.14 and the number of parking spaces proposed.

### 17/11896/TCA – 1 Abbots Garden

The Committee noted that this had already been determined by Wiltshire Council.

**Resolved:** No comment

**J Whittleton** to report the Committee's observations to Wiltshire Council.

## 6b. UNRESOLVED PLANNING ISSUES/PLANNING UPDATES

Bloor Homes Estate from Webbs Way. The Committee gave consideration to an email from a member of the public concerning collapsible barrier separating the Bloor development from Webbs Way. The email suggested 'cats claws' allowing all traffic to move in one direction had replaced collapsible barriers.

**J Whittleton** to raise the matter with the case officer/enforcement officer.

17/11575/TCA – 5 Sycamore trees at St Michael's Church. The Committee noted that following comments from the Town Council, the Tree Warden and the views of the case officer, the application had changed to a 30% crown reduction, rather than the removal of the trees. The Committee saw this as a positive development.

## 7. MARKET CROSS WORKING GROUP

A discussion took place concerning progress made by the group, possible next steps, the membership of the group and the need to ascertain whether there is public support for the pedestrianisation of the Market Cross area.

**Resolved:**

- 1) That Councillor Gundry be made Acting Chair of the Market Cross Working Group.
- 2) That Councillors Asciak and Power join the Working Group on a temporary basis to assist in carrying out a survey to find if there is public support for the pedestrianisation of the Market Cross area.

**8. ROAD MAINTENANCE PROGRAMME 2018/19**

**Resolved:** That Councillors RE Budgen and PJ Exton conduct an inspection to see if the areas included in the Maintenance Programme are the areas which most need attention in the Town. **Cllrs Budgen and P Exton**

**9. AREA BOARD ISSUE 5980 – REQUEST TO MAKE INGRAM STREET ONE WAY**

**Resolved:** To carry out a straw poll of local residents to ascertain if there is support for such a scheme. **Cllr Budgen**

**10. FOOTPATH BEHIND THE AMBULANCE SERVICE STATION**

The Committee gave consideration to photographs of the footpath behind the Station.

Issues discussed included:

- That the path is in a poor state and could be the cause of an accident; and
- That the path is a permissive path and the Ambulance Service could choose to close the path if they don't wish to spend funds repairing it.

**Resolved:** To write to the Ambulance Service (Head Office – South West), highlighting the Committee's concerns and recommend that they take action to improve the state of the path. **J Whittleton**

The Meeting closed at 8.11pm.