

**MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON 20th MARCH 2018 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY**

Present: Councillors: MJ Asciak, RE Budgen, JM Exton, PJ Exton, AJ Gundry, WR Jones, P Newman and W Jones.
Members of the Public: 7

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

None.

3. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 27th FEBRUARY 2018

Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting held on 27th February be approved and signed as a correct record.

5. PROGRESS ON ACTIONS

Barrier Bloor Homes estate from Webbs Way. The clerk had emailed Wiltshire Council again for a response. So far nothing had come through.

Road Maintenance Programme 2018/19. Councillor Budgen reported that due to budget cuts, only projects within the first tier of priorities were likely to go ahead next year.

BT Phoneboxes. BT had stated that they would be prepared to offer both kiosks for adoption by the Town Council. They did point out that before this could take place, they would need to consult with Wiltshire Council and that this could take up to 90 days.

J Whittleton to enquire of Wiltshire Council whether there would be any objections from Wiltshire Council.

6a. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

18/02180/FUL – Land east of the A429 Malmesbury Bypass (Lidl)

The Committee noted that a number of important documents had only just been uploaded to Wiltshire Council's website, as such it would be unreasonable to come to a decision at this meeting. The consultation period had been extended to 27th April by the Case Officer. The consideration of this application was largely given over to airing concerns expressed by the public. Issues discussed included:

- Why the site had been chosen (using a sequential test) and whether there were more appropriate locations;
- The impact on the town centre and shops on the High Street;
- Road safety, specifically the implications of having customers from two supermarkets trying to join a road at the same point. Councillor

Budgen pointed out that the Highways Department would scrutinise this very carefully;

- Whether consultation undertaken by Lidl was assumed to have been official consultation undertaken by the Planning Authority. A member of the public noted that it was easy to support the application on the consultation pages set up by Lidl, but difficult to object;
- A number of supporting comments on the Wiltshire Council website appear to be for an application in Bristol;
- The importance of the public making their views known; and
- That the development is on a green field rather than a brown field site.

Resolved: to consider the application at a meeting on 17th April.

18/01874/FUL – 124 White Lion Park

Resolved: no objection.

18/01900/LBC & 18/01901/FUL – Summer Café, 4-6 High Street

Resolved: to support the application.

18/01908/ADV – Summer Café, 4-6 High Street

Withdrawn.

18/01696/FUL – 5 Moffat Rise

Resolved: no objection.

18/01827/TCA – The Tanyard, 1 Dark Lane

Resolved: no objection subject to any comment from the Tree Warden.

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

6b. UNRESOLVED PLANNING ISSUES/PLANNING UPDATES

None.

7. COMMUNITY ISSUE 6176 – SPEEDING ALONG THE B4014, FILANDS

Resolved: to support the carrying out of an assessment by the Highways Department on the B4014.

8. MARKET CROSS WORKING GROUP UPDATE

The Committee received an update on the work of the Market Cross Working Group who were looking at the viability of pedestrianizing (either permanently or occasionally) the Market Cross.

A draft survey was presented to the Committee. A discussion took place about the merits of conducting a straw poll versus a more far reaching consultation (possibly to include Survey Monkey and publicity).

Resolved:

- 1) That the proposed survey be amended to remove leading questions and to include a neutral preamble highlighting pertinent issues. **Cllr Gundry**
- 2) To draw up a list of places, groups and people to consult with. **Cllr Power**

The Meeting closed at 8.31pm.