

**WESTBURY TOWN COUNCIL**

**At a MEETING of the HIGHWAYS, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE held at THE LAVERTON, BRATTON ROAD, WESTBURY, on MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018 at 7.00pm.**

**PRESENT:** Cllrs: M Sutton, G King, I Cunningham, J Russ, M Kettley, N Pyne, S Kimmins

Staff: Mrs J Dyer and Miss S Harris

Also in attendance: Cllr D Jenkins

**P.4726 TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES (if any) AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE:**

Cllr B Pyne – Personal  
Cllr S Hendry – Personal  
Cllr R Hawker – Personal  
Cllr F Morland – No apologies received

**P.4727 DECLARATION OF INTEREST and DISPENSATIONS:**

None

**P.4728 MINUTES:**

The following requests were made to the 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018 HP&D minutes:

P.4721 – Sunday and Bank Holiday car park charges – clarification required to the sentence regarding season ticket charges and percentage figures.

P.4716 – Neighbourhood Plan – clarification required to the second sentence, regarding the working group and sub-committee wording.

P.4680 – Play areas – the committee queried if there had been an update, however it was thought the play area working group had not met which could be why we haven't received any update.

P. 4698 – The footpath from Edward Street, through Morrisons to Haynes Road – the committee are disappointed there has been no further update and request this is chased again.

Minute ref	Subject	Action	Update
P.4680 P.4660	Play Area, Paxmans Road, The Ham	19.02.18 – The Committee agreed that a letter is sent to Wiltshire Council to ask if play area is in a fit state for them to adopt? Is the play equipment still faulty? Will they look to release some of the money to fix the equipment or could the developers help with funding. Response from Gabrielle Crump for 19.03.18 – The	The Town Clerk has contacted Gabrielle Crump for further information and we are still awaiting a response.

		<p>play area is the current ownership of Persimmon and Wiltshire Council would complete a lease to Westbury Town Council at the same time as it transfers to Wiltshire Council from Persimmon. The safety inspection report for the play area was available for review at the meeting.</p> <p>19.03.18 – The Committee requested the Play Areas Working Group look at this report and resubmit to HP&amp;D with their response.</p>	
<p><b>P.4720</b> <b>P.4683</b></p>	<p><b>Government UK Consultations</b></p>	<p>The Committee noted the three consultations and agreed to setting up smaller groups made up of Committee members to review and prepare answers to the consultation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supporting housing delivery through developer contributions – ends 10<sup>th</sup> May</li> <li>• Draft revised National Planning Policy Framework – ends 10<sup>th</sup> May</li> <li>• Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy (CWIS) safety – ends 1<sup>st</sup> June and will be available for review at this HP&amp;D meeting.</li> </ul>	<p>The following Consultation was submitted on 31.05.18:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cycling and Walking Investment Strategy</li> </ul> <p>The following two Consultations were submitted on 09.05.18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supporting housing delivery through developer contributions – ends 10<sup>th</sup> May</li> <li>• Draft revised National Planning Policy Framework – ends 10<sup>th</sup> May</li> </ul>
<p><b>P.4698</b></p>	<p><b>Motion from Cllr Cunningham dated 09.04.18: The footpath from Edward Street, through Morrisons to Haynes Road</b></p>	<p>The Committee requested the Rights of Way Officer is contacted to ask if the notice Morrisons is displaying suggesting there is no public right of access is legal and request a notice is issued to</p>	<p>08.06.18 – The Senior Rights of Way Warden for Central Wiltshire emailed with the following information: Sorry for the delay I have had to take some advice from the Councils legal team. I have spoken with Morrisons and</p>

		Morrisons to modify their sign.	I am awaiting a response from them.  Westbury Town Council have asked if the details of what they asked Morrisons can be shared.
<b>P.4699</b> <b>P.4716</b>	<b>Recommendation from TIG/Tourism dated 09.04.18: The Neighbourhood Plan to become a Sub-Committee</b>	The Committee agreed that the Neighbourhood Plan should become a Sub-Committee, reporting to the Highways, Planning and Development Committee. The Terms of Reference will need updating and the Town Clerk to follow up with our Specialist. The Highways, Planning and Development Committee recommend to Town Council.	The Town Clerk has sent the Terms of Reference to Cllr Cunningham.  The Committee noted that the recommendation to create a Sub-Committee was approved at Town Council on 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2018. The Committee also requested it was noted that the 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2018 HP&D agenda recommended a standalone Working Group and that should actually be a standalone Sub-Committee.
<b>P.4715</b>	<b>Recommendation from the Town Council dated 14<sup>th</sup> May 2018 Planning in Principle (PIP) Sub-Committee</b>	The Committee noted the recommendation and request from the Town Council and will develop a press release to explain to the public why the Town Council is introducing this additional Sub-Committee. The workings of this Committee will be reviewed after 12 months.	The press release was issued on 30.05.18.
<b>P.4721</b>	<b>Proposed Traffic Regulations Order Consultation. The Consultation closes on 21.05.18 – The Committee are to agree comments for submission on 22.05.18</b>	The Committee agreed the following response:  The Committee agreed the following response – <i>Westbury Town Councils Highways, Planning and Development Committee object to the Sunday and Bank Holiday car parking charges, as it is mean-minded, petty penny pinching. This is detrimental</i>	The response was emailed to the Traffic Order Team on 22.05.18.  Acknowledgment received.

		<i>to the economic wellbeing of the town when Wiltshire Council should be encouraging visitors into the town. The change in season ticket charges from 80% discount to 50% seems unfair to a town that has limited parking and significant parking issues.</i>	
<b>P.4719</b>	<b>Planning Applications – Additional letter from Wiltshire Council – 51 Oldfield Road, Westbury – Tree Preservation Order – 2018/00012/GRP</b>	The Committee noted the letter and fully support the preservation of trees in this area.	The response was emailed to the Arboricultural and Landscape Officer 30.05.18. Acknowledgment received.

**P.4729 WILTSHIRE COUNCILLORS' REPORTS:**

Cllr G King: Update on the grass cutting at the Cemetery and the Area Board

The Cemetery is currently overgrown, with long grass and high weeds. The expectation from Wiltshire Council is a monthly cut, however resources have been diverted to litter picking as a priority, which has in turn meant the grass has got out of hand. Wiltshire Council will look at the Cemetery now and order a cut soon. Cllr King has asked Wiltshire Council to consider a local probation / community service team to tackle issues like this.

The former Youth Centre building on Eden Vale Road. The building is to be transferred to the Westbury Community Project, as a community asset transfer. The process is expected to commence shortly.

Cllr D Jenkins

Wished to share his disappointment with the state of the Cemetery.

**P.4730 CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS:**

- A. The committee noted Briefing Note 357 regarding CATG meetings and would like to feedback their concern that that the meetings will not be very well serviced, if they are having to rely on who ever is there to take the notes, especially as in the past some of our comments have been missed. As we are part of the process, Westbury Town Council would like assurances that our comments are being recorded.
- B. The committee noted the notification from NHS Property Service confirming the sale of the former Westbury Hospital site.
- C. The committee noted that we will not be charged for Sunday parking until (and if) we renegotiate the 2hr free parking with Wiltshire Council for the period June 2019/20 and they requested that a correction is made to the White Horse News about this, confirming no change in parking costs.

- D. The committee noted the parking issues at Oldfield Park. Following a recent visit, Cllr King was able to update the committee that there is a general agreement Selwood Housing may start allowing people to purchase some grassed areas to use as a pull in. In doing this, residents must accept a specified design to allow a soak away and pay for drop kerbs from highways. Selwood are currently in discussions with their legal team. It was also noted that individuals would be responsible for their own enforcement and costs.
- E. The committee were informed of the Network Rail consultation and confirmed their support for continuous connection between Reading and Heathrow. Providing this would increase traffic, causing congestion and pollution and impacting air quality. Cllr Sutton will respond on behalf of the committee.
- F. The committee were informed of a letter Cllr Cunningham received from a resident who owns a property directly above the proposed fish and ship restaurant/shop (former bank) in the High Street. The resident was concerned that they had not been consulted in the proposal, especially when it appears to show a new flue will be attached to this property. The committee have already submitted support for the fish and chip restaurant/shop, however noted the concerns of the resident and will reply to the resident to confirm this and explain that even if planning permission is given, this will not give permission to add a flue to the property and therefore a new planning application will have to be submitted. Cllr Sutton will respond to the resident.

**P.4731 PLANNING DECISIONS:**

The committee noted the planning decisions made up to 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

**P.4732 PLANNING APPLICATIONS:**

The committee considered the following planning applications received from Wiltshire Council up to 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

18/04791/TCA	Land To The Rear Of Weaver House, Chantry Court, BA13 3FE T1 and T2 - 2 Cherry trees – fell  WTC <b>Object</b>  Westbury Town Council objects to this application on the following grounds: There is nothing wrong with the trees, they are perfectly healthy and too many have already been removed from the site.
18/03977/FUL	33 White Horse Way, Westbury, BA13 3AH Front Porch Extension  WTC <b>No Objections</b>
18/04768/OUT	45 Chalford Westbury, Wilts, BA13 3RF Construction of up to 4 no. additional detached dwellings (Outline application relating to access - Resubmission of 17/07141/OUT)

	<p>WTC <b>Object</b></p> <p>Westbury Town Council objects to this application on the following grounds: The access on this stretch of road is poor and inadequate and we would discourage more traffic coming out onto a major stretch of road. The proposed drive will have less visibility than the existing splay and if the hedge further up the hill remains the visibility will be very poor. The new output is close to the area where vehicles regularly park on the side of the road.</p>
18/03948/LBC	<p>17 Maristow Street, Westbury, BA13 3DN To replace the front wooden window at the property for like for like.</p> <p>WTC <b>No Objections</b></p>
18/04758/FUL	<p>Sycamore House, Sycamore Grove, Westbury, BA13 3NF Replacement of shallow pitch roof, removal of existing chimney stacks, new rainwater goods.</p> <p>WTC <b>No Objections</b></p>
18/04759/FUL	<p>Willow Park House, Willow Grove, Westbury, BA13 3ND Replacement of shallow pitch roof, removal of existing chimney stacks, new rainwater goods.</p> <p>WTC <b>No Objections</b></p>
18/04935/FUL	<p>24 Danvers Way, Westbury, Wiltshire, BA13 3UE Proposed two storey extension</p> <p>WTC <b>No Objections</b></p>
18/04947/FUL	<p>6 Exmoor Road, Leigh Park, Westbury, BA13 3US Single storey extension and associated works</p> <p>WTC <b>No Objects</b></p>
18/05113/FUL	<p>The Whitehorse Equestrian Centre, Long River Farm, Newtown, Westbury, Wiltshire, BA13 3ED Removal of existing mobile home, mobile office/restroom &amp; a lock up store. Construction of a replacement two bedroomed dwelling &amp; office.</p>

	<p>WTC <b>Object</b></p> <p>Westbury Town Council objects to this application on the following grounds: This is outside of our settlement boundary.</p>
18/05059/FUL	<p>Penleigh Mill House, Fairwood Road, Dilton Marsh, BA13 3SN Internal alterations to the existing Kitchen and Breakfast area, and a new Garden Room extension to the South side of the dwelling.</p> <p>WTC <b>No Objections</b></p>
18/05566/LBC	<p>Penleigh Mill House, Fairwood Road, Dilton Marsh, BA13 3SN Internal alterations to the existing Kitchen and Breakfast area, and a new Garden Room extension to the South side of the dwelling.</p> <p>WTC <b>No Objections</b></p>

**P.4733 CATG ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION**

New issues to be considered

<b>Issue Number:</b>	<b>Area:</b>	<b>Issue:</b>	<b>Would like to resolve issue:</b>	<b>CATG Update</b>	<b>WTC Decision:</b>
6328	CATG New roundabout from Yarnbrook to Westbury	My concern is with the roundabout where the old coop was on entry to Westbury from Yarnbrook not the new one. On approach to that roundabout from yarnbrook side we take the right hand lane as there are two to go right on the roundabout to come home. DANGEROUSLY there are no road	Road markings separating lanes on this roundabout.		18.06.18 the committee would support guidance from Highways, however would recommend road markings / filter lane at the approach to this roundabout. They would

		<p>markings on the roundabout separating the lanes On numerous occasions our car has come within an inch of being involved in a bad accident because people cut across the roundabout with no regard for any traffic on the inside lane Before I tolerated this dangerous part of road but now we have a newborn baby in our car and this needs to be sorted Please put some markings on that roundabout or make the appropriate people aware who can. I do not want my family to be another accident statistic for the sake of a few lines to make a road safer.</p>			<p>also request that the 30mph speed limit is pushed back past the new roundabout. People are approaching the roundabouts fast and often in the wrong lane – reducing the speed limit would improve the safety at both roundabouts.</p>
6337	<p>CATG Speeding B3098 Bitham Park Alfred Street</p>	<p>Speeding on the B3098 Between the Junction with Bitham Park and the Alfred Street Newtown Crossroads.51.26283 -2.17328 toward 51.26133 -2.17787. Having lived here for 15 years Im used to people speeding on this road however over the last 6 months those speeds seem to have increased and where the speeding cars where the minority they are now the majority. Driving for a</p>		<p>29.05.18 - Metrocount requested</p>	<p>18.06.18 the committee support a metrocount</p>



		living I have a keen eye for knowing what speed vehicles are doing and I can say with good certainty there are now cars rounding that corner in excess of 50mph.			
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**P.4734 HIGHWAYS CORRESPONDENCE / MATTERS:**

None

**P.4735 CLERK'S CORRESPONDANCE:**

- A. The committee noted that our insurance company Zurich has now settled £466.69 (against the driver) for the damage to the bench and bin at Newton following the drunk driver accident earlier this year. The committee asked for cost of the bench and bin.
- B. The committee were updated with their comments from 2014 for the A350 Mill Brook housing development, where part of their objection was concern for pedestrian access to the town. This was raised following a resident's concern with the new bus stop on the A350 and lack of pavement from the bus stop into Westbury. The committee requested this was added to the July agenda so it is in the in the public domain and an appropriate response debated.
- C. The committee were updated that the Hospital site developers have requested the Town Councils input with street naming for the 56-dwelling development. Working with the League of Friends, Backhouse Housing Limited came up with 4 suggestions and although the committee confirmed their preferred choice, they requested this was added to the July agenda, so it is the public domain.

**P.4736 BUDGET BIDS:**

None

**20.20pm**

**Signed on behalf of the meeting this Sixteenth day of July 2018**

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**Chairman**