

WESTBURY TOWN COUNCIL

At a MEETING of the HIGHWAYS, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE held at THE LAVERTON, BRATTON ROAD, WESTBURY, on MONDAY 17th DECEMBER 2012 at 7:00pm

PRESENT: Cllrs: R Hawker (Chair), D Jenkins, G King, Mrs C Mitchell and F Morland.

Staff: Mr K Harvey and Mrs A McCann

P.3460 PUBLIC FORUM: Nil

P.3461 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE:

- Cllr Mrs S Ezra – Personal
- Cllr M Cuthbert-Murray – Personal
- Cllr D O'Hara – Business
- Cllr D Windess - Personal

P.3462 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REASONS: None

P.3463 MINUTES: The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 19th November were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

P.3464 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES: Nil.
a) **Members matter arising:** Nil.

P.3465 REPORT BY WILTSHIRE COUNCILLORS:

Cllr Jenkins:

- The Area Board meeting held last week was well supported and it was good to hear of the youth opportunities available.

Cllr Hawker:

- Leigh Park Community Centre is nearing completion and should be ready in time for the opening on Monday 7th January 2013.
- At a recent meeting about the Health Centre the difficulties with the bus service was discussed. The timetable seems to be difficult for people to understand. Another meeting is to be arranged with the bus manager in due course to discuss the issues further and to try to resolve them.

P.3466 CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS: Nil.

P.3467 PLANNING DECISIONS: The Committee noted Planning Decisions made up to 17th December 2012.

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P.3468 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS:** The Committee considered Planning Applications received from Wiltshire Council and the decisions reached are as follows:

12/02099/FUL
14.11.12
Full Plan

Erection of rear conservatory
100 Station Road, Westbury, BA13 3JR
Applicant: Mr Keith Bridges

No Objections

12/02127/OUT
20.11.12
Outline Plan

Proposal for an agricultural workers dwelling
Land South West of Cleypiece, Old Dilton Road, Old Dilton
Applicant: Mr Francis Shephard

No Objections

12/02170/FUL
23.11.12
Full Plan
12/02172/LBC
23.11.12
Listed Building

Change of use of the existing fish shop to a dwelling
19 Maristow Street, Westbury, BA13 3DN
Applicant: Mr & Mrs Chris Friend

The committee objected to this application on the following grounds:

- a) Members do not wish to see another commercial premises lost from Maristow Street.**
- b) No evidence seen that the owner has tried to sell the premises as a commercial business.**

2/02081/FUL
13.11.12
Full Plan

Proposed solar farm comprising the erection of solar arrays, inverters, transformers, equipment housing, security fencing, internal tracks and ancillary equipment.
Land Adjacent Sewage Works, Slag Lane, Westbury
Applicant: SPGL (Solar Power Generation Ltd)

The committee had no objections subject to a full archaeological study.

12/02182/FUL
26.11.12
Full Plan

Demolition of existing conservatory & garage and replace with single story extension.
10 Laverton Road, Westbury, BA13 3RR
Applicant: Mr and Mrs D Smith

No Objections

12/02238/FUL
05.12.12
Full Plan

Addition of window
Merchant House, 57 Chantry Court, Westbury, BA13 3FE
Applicant: Mr Jason Jackson (Jackson Architects Ltd)

No Objections

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12/02265/TPO
05.11.12
Tree(s) in
Conservation Area

Remove dead wood and crown clean Beech Tree (R14 Spur)
Land North of 21 The Spur, Westbury
Applicant: Persimmon Homes Wessex

The committee objected to this application due to insufficient information. Full details of proposed works is required.

12/02266/TPO
05.11.12
Tree(s) in
Conservation Area

Remove dead wood from Walnut Tree, crown clean Copper Beech Trees x2 and prune 2m away from telephone wires (R14) (Lime tree dealt with under DD application)
Area R14, Westbury Leigh, Westbury
Applicant: Persimmon Homes Wessex

The committee objected to this application due to insufficient information. Full details of proposed works is required.

12/02269/TPO
05.11.12
Tree(s) in
Conservation Area

Remove all dead trees and prune Willow Tree to clear street lamp by 1m.
Areas R11 and R12, Westbury Leigh, Westbury
Applicant: Persimmon Homes Wessex

The committee objected to this application due to insufficient information. Full details of proposed works is required.

12/02271/TPO
02.11.12
Tree(s) in
Conservation Area

Remove dead wood from Maple tree (all other tree works are not within a conservation area or covered by a TPO).
Land North of 25 Highland Close, Westbury
Applicant: Persimmon Homes Wessex

The committee objected to this application due to insufficient information. Full details of proposed works is required.

12/02272/TPO
02.11.12
Tree(s) in
Conservation Area

Various works to multiple trees within group TPO
Land North of 1 Silverthorne Close, Westbury
Applicant: Persimmon Homes Wessex

The committee objected to this application due to insufficient information and an explanation of 'various works' is required.

12/02291/FUL
11.12.12
Full Plan

Retrospective application for an office, rest room with toilets, in connection with an existing equestrian and agricultural use.
White Horse Equestrian Centre, Long River Farm, Newtown, Westbury.
Applicant: Mr & Mrs C Awdry

The committee supports the application subject to usage being ancillary to agricultural and equestrian uses.

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P.3469 BATH LORRY BAN. Letter received from Department for Transport, dated 29.10.12, concluding the appeal is valid and should be upheld.

P.3470 HIGHWAYS CORRESPONDENCE/MATTERS:

The following complaints have been received at the Town Council offices and passed to Central Highways at Wiltshire Council:

- Street lights out in various locations
 - Car parking in Studland Park
 - Footpaths in town being slippery due to leaves.
 - Overhanging branches in various areas
 - Leaning trees in Church Street and Snappersnipes
 - Speeding cars in Station Road
 - Pedestrians having difficulty crossing the road by the Health Centre
- Cllr Hawker said speeding had been discussed at the Area Board meeting. Two new priorities have now been set for the police, the first is speeding in Station Road, Chalford & Trowbridge Road and the second is litter droppers, including spitting and urinating.***

P.3471 CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE:

Cllr Morland asked the Clerk if there was an update on Morrison's footpath. The Clerk has not heard from the Wiltshire Council officer since he took photographs and said he would be contacting Morrison's Head Office. Cllr Morland also mentioned the new junction under construction at the Station Road end of Slag Lane where they are raising the level of the carriageway by a metre or more and it would appear that they have taken in land that is not part of the Highways.

P.3472 MONTHLY STATEMENT: Noted

P.3459 WORKING GROUPS' REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS:

- a) **Car Parks Working Group:** This working group has now been merged with TCVG.
- b) **Flood Relief Working Group:** No meeting held.
- c) **Play and Leisure Facilities Working Group:** No meeting held. The order for the outdoor fitness equipment has been placed with Caloo.
- d) **Street Furniture Working Group:** No meeting held.
- e) **Town Centre Viability Working Group:** No meeting held. The Bench Marking exercise has been completed. The Clerk has collated the information and returned part as hard copies and the remainder by email to AMTi to meet the deadline of 31st December 2012.

8.48pm

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**Signed on behalf of the Meeting
This Twenty-first day of January 2012**

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Chairman