

WESTBURY TOWN COUNCIL

At a MEETING of the HIGHWAYS, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE held at THE LAVERTON, BRATTON ROAD, WESTBURY, on MONDAY 17th FEBRUARY 2014 at 7:00pm

PRESENT: Cllr R Hawker (Chairman)

Cllrs: D Jenkins, G King, Mrs C Mitchell, F Morland, P Wakeman and D Windess

Staff: Mr K Harvey and Mrs A McCann

P.3709 PUBLIC FORUM: Nil

P.3710 APOLOGIES AND REASONS FOR ABSENCE:

Cllr I Cunningham - Personal
Cllr WD Tout - Clash of Meetings

P.3711 DISPENSATIONS: None

P.3712 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REASONS: None

P.3713 MINUTES:

The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 20th January 2014 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

P.3714 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:

a) **Members matter arising:** Nil

P.3715 REPORT BY WILTSHIRE COUNCILLORS:

- **Cllr Jenkins**
 - The planning application for the development at The Mead will be going to the Strategic Planning Committee on 12th March.
 - Wiltshire Council's Financial Plan for 2014/15 will be on the agenda for the Council Meeting on 25th February 2014.
Leisure - £500,000 of cuts to be made from this area. You can go online to make comments by the end of the month:
 1. To retain current situation, to make savings and outsource service.
 2. To make new service.
 3. To encourage and support staff and outside forces to form a group to operate for profit or non-profit.
 4. To empower communities with funding from Wiltshire Council to make positive leisure time.

- Flooding – Wiltshire Council have all the latest updated news on their website under ‘Civil Emergency/Emergency Notices’
- **Cllr King**
 - The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Consultation is running to 24th February.
- **Cllr Hawker**
 - Leisure was mentioned at the Area Board meeting and Julia Cramp agreed to put it on the agenda as it is a big issue for Westbury.
 - During a recent Wiltshire Council Planning Officers meeting it was said more houses were needed but nothing has yet been decided. At this meeting there was a discussion on what sites are under risk.
 - Other sites need to be resisted to allow H14 to be developed.

P.3716 CHAIRMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS: Nil.

P.3717 PLANNING DECISIONS: The Committee noted Planning Decisions made up to 17th February 2014.

P. 3718 PLANNING APPLICATIONS: The Committee considered Planning Applications received from Wiltshire Council and the decisions reached are as follows:

13/05391/FUL
16.01.14
Full Plan

Amended/Additional Information for:
Retrospective application for a Rugby Clubhouse and storage containers ancillary to the Clubhouse
Westbury Rugby Football Club, White Horse Country Park, Coach Road, Westbury, BA13 4LU
Applicant: Mr R Jones

No Objections

13/06960/FUL
11.02.14
Full Plan

Erection of a new building
Land South East of Downside, Brook Lane, Westbury, BA13 4ER
Applicant: Mr David Browne (Anglo Aero Engine Services Ltd)

No Objections

13/07241/FUL
06.02.14
Full Plan

Retrospective application for creation of timber framed annexe
74 The Butts, Westbury, BA13 3EY
Applicant: Mrs Jill Lunn

No Objections

14/01137/FUL

Change of use from hotel annex to residential

10.02.14
Full Plan

4 Maristow Street, Westbury, BA13 3DN
Applicant: Miss Rachael Baker

No Objections

P.3719 REQUEST FOR RESIDENTS PARKING IN SPRINGFIELD ROAD.

The committee agreed for this to be passed on to CATG.
The Clerk to pass on details of the problem to the school so they are aware.

P.3720 COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY DRAFT CHARGING SCHEDULE CONSULTATION.

Cllr King presented a slide show on behalf of the Town Improvement Working Group and put forward the following recommendation:

In response to the CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy) Draft Charging Schedule Consultation the group recommends we reply as follows:

1. *We can't see any argument for the lower rate*
 - a. *Even on 2012 house price analysis 3 out of 4 BNP Paribas recommendations went with £70 per sq metre*
 - b. *We see no lack of interest in building larger housing developments in Westbury*
2. *Suggest a minimum rate of £70 per sq. m for Westbury*
3. *£85 would be a more appropriate figure*
4. *It should be a flat rate across the whole of Wiltshire*
5. *It is far easier to lower the rates in the unlikely event that developers are put off than to increase the rates when they are reviewed*

The Clerk to reply to the consultation with the recommendation above and to enclose a copy of the document written by Cllr Cunningham.

Cllr Morland asked for the minutes to record a 'thank you' to Cllr Cunningham for all the work he has done on this.

P.3721 BUS FARE CONSULTATION

Cllr King explained that 'FIRST' bus service has launched a bus fare consultation across West of England. This is for information for individuals to go online to fill in the questionnaire at www.firstgroup.com/faierfaresforall and they have until 16th March 2014 to do so.

P.3722 MORRISONS FOOTPATH

The Clerk had received an email from Paul Millard (senior rights of way warden for West Wiltshire) confirming that Morrison's had moved the trolleys on 16th January 2014 and asked whether Westbury Town Council were happy with the space now

available.

The committee agreed that the trolleys have been moved and the situation is far better than before and after a considerable time we can now say the problem has been dealt with.

P.3723 B.3098 EXTENSION OF PAVEMENT TO WHITE HORSE VIEWING AREA – Request from the Tourism Working Group to refer this to CATG as a possible project

The committee agreed to refer this issue to CATG.

P.3724 NO PARKING SIGNS NEAR CINNAMON LOUNGE

The Clerk gave the following report: He met with Elizabeth Bridgens outside Cinnamon Lounge and she explained the wrap around waiting restrictions are no longer compliant with parking restrictions. She is looking at erecting either 8ft tall posts or low hooped signs with parking restrictions on them and it is up to Westbury Town Council to choose their favoured option. She explained that the signs have to be visible to allow an enforcement officer to act. The current bollards will not need replacing but the parking restrictions on them will need to be covered up.

Report noted by the committee.

P.3725 HIGHWAYS CORRESPONDENCE / MATTERS:

- Temporary closure of B3098 Melbourne Street (part) Bratton, Sunday 23rd March for one day.
- Temporary closure of Wellhead Lane, 31st March for one day.
- Temporary closure of Oldfield Road, 14th March to 28th March.

P.3726 CLERK'S CORRESPONDENCE:

- Following the last HP&D meeting The Clerk wrote to Steve Ibbertson and copied in Pegasus and Cllr Jenkins. He advised the Slag Lane development, area C, known as Vivash Park is to be a main park in Westbury and Westbury Town Council wishes it to maintain the name of Vivash Park and would also like a sign erected.
- Grit Bins – Norman Burgess has been asked to reposition the grit bin in Castle View after it had blown to a different location in the recent gales and for it to be refilled.

P.3727 MONTHLY STATEMENT: Noted

P.3728 BUDGET BIDS: None

P.3729 WORKING GROUPS' REPORTS / RECOMMENDATIONS:

a) Play and Leisure Facilities Working Group:

Cllr Ezra recently met with Norman Burgess to discuss The Rotary Club of Westbury painting the children's play equipment. Wiltshire Council are to provide the paint, brushes etc

b) Street Furniture Working Group:

The group met recently and have come up with two recommendations for new benches. Cllr Tout, Cllr Cunningham and The Clerk are due to inspect all benches to see if there are any other recommendations for this year.

Street Furniture Working group are due to meet on 24th February with the Tourism Working Group and the Town Improvement Group to have a joint discussion on adding/updating the fingerposts and adding photographs to the town maps. There are three finger posts in storage at the back of The Laverton.

c) Town Improvement Group

Last met on 7th February to discuss Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Consultation and put forward a recommendation to HP&D on 17th February to meet the deadline of 24th February. Next meeting is the combined meeting held on 24th February to discuss fingerposts and town maps.

8.53pm

**Signed on behalf of the Meeting
this seventeenth day of March 2014**

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Chairman