

**WALLINGFORD TOWN COUNCIL**

MINUTES

of the

Planning Committee Meeting held in the Town Hall, Wallingford on  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019

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PRESENT

The Mayor, Councillor Upcraft

Councillors Cripps, Dolton, Hughes, Lester, Whelan and Wilder

District Councillor Hornsby

The Chairman, Councillor Lloyd

In Attendance, Mrs Barbara Atkins

Mrs Claire Blacker

**491. APOLOGIES**

*Apologies were received from County Councillor Atkins, and Councillors Kidley, McGregor and Norton.*

**492. ADMISSION OF THE PUBLIC**

*There were no admissions of the public.*

**493. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

A Councillor with voting rights who has a disclosable pecuniary interest or another interest as set out in our Council's Standing Orders Code of Conduct (Item 13) in a matter being considered at a meeting is subject to statutory limitations or restrictions under code of conduct and his right to participate and vote on the matter (guidelines are available at the meeting and all Councillors have received a copy prior to the meeting).

*There were no declarations of interest.*

#### **494. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NOTIFIED AND IMPROMPTU (15 MINUTES IN TOTAL)**

At this point there were no members of the public present. However as the meeting had commenced at 1940 hours Councillor Lester asked that any members of the public that arrived during the meeting should be allowed to speak.

#### **495. PLANNING MINUTES**

To sign as a correct record the Minutes of the Planning meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 as set out on pages 200 - 204 of the Minute Book.

**It was Proposed by Councillor Lester, Seconded by Councillor Whelan and RESOLVED: THAT the Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on the 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 as set out on pages 200 - 204 of the Minute Book, copies circulated to Councillors, be signed as a correct record.**

#### **496. PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

**Note: When deciding upon whether to recommend approval or refusal of a planning application classified as “other”, members should, if they feel strongly about their recommendation, request that the application be called in by the District Council Ward Member in order that it may be referred to the District Council’s planning committee.**

(i) Application Reference: P19/S0162/A

Type: Advertising

Proposal: Erection of non-illuminated free-standing sign

Address: – Henderson House, Hithercroft Road, Wallingford

**Comment: No Objections**

#### **497. DECISION NOTICES RECEIVED FROM SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

i) Application Number: [P18/S3165/HH](#)

Site Location: The Elms, 16 Castle Street

WTC response: Fully Supports

Decision: Planning Permission - **Noted**

ii) Application Number: [P18/S3907/HH](#)

Site Location: 5 Nelson Close

WTC response: No Objections

Decision: Planning Permission - **Noted**

iii) Application Number: [P18/S3955/HH](#)

Site Location: Belle Vue Cottage, 54 Wood Street

WTC response: No Objections

Decision: Planning Permission - **Noted**

#### **498. PLANNING APPLICATIONS TO BE NOTED BY COUNCILLORS**

i) Application Reference: P19/S0116/DIS

Proposal: discharge of condition 11 – Archaeology to application ref P17/S3499/FUL. Demolition of all existing buildings and erection of 16 sheltered apartments for older people and 8 houses.

Address: Oakdale Court and Meridan Court, Wallingford - **Noted**

**1945 Hours – Here Councillor Hughes arrived**

#### **499. SOHA – SAXON CLOSE PRE-APPLICATION PLANS**

Councillor Lloyd asked Members if they wished to record any comments in the Minutes. Members noted that South Oxfordshire Housing Association (SOHA) had met the minimum requirements in planning terms with this application. Members were very pleased to see the allocation of 2 bungalows. However, Members wished to see more parking on site along with electric charging points for mobility scooters and electric cars. Members also stated that they would look carefully at the planning application when it came to them for consultation. It was suggested that a letter be sent to SOHA listing the Town Council's comments on the pre-application plans.

#### **500. SOUTH OXFORDSHIRE LOCAL PLAN 2034 – IMPACT OF PROPOSED LOSS OF PRIMARY SHOPPING AREA**

Mrs Claire Blacker stated that she wished to bring to Members attention that the Local Plan 2034 showed a much reduced area of primary shopping. The areas that were not included were from the new Beechcroft apartments down St Martins Street, St Leonards Square and also the areas of St Mary's Street and St Martins Street down to St John's Road. The whole of St Peters Square had been missed along with parts of the High Street. District Councillor Hornsby brought to Members attention that a grant is available in respect of revitalising/enlivening town centres.

Members discussed and concluded that the Town Council needs to fight for and keep its shopping areas and they requested that Mrs Blacker responds by submitting a revised map showing all the shopping areas in the centre of Wallingford. The importance of the correct areas being included in the Neighbourhood Plan was also discussed.

#### **501. CONSULTATION A4130 BOSLEY WAY (CHOLSEY) PROPOSED PARKING RESTRICTIONS (DOUBLE YELLOW LINES) AND NO RIGHT TURN RESTRICTION**

Members had all received a copy of the paperwork relating to this consultation. Councillor Lloyd stated that this was in connection with the New Barn Farm Gravel site and was to facilitate the entrance to the site however he believed that it was the intention to gain more double yellow lines at the same time. It was noted that this was in Cholsey and therefore came within County Councillor Mark Gray's area.

## **502. UPDATES FROM THE CHAIRMAN**

i) Site B and New Allotments – Councillor Lloyd brought to Members attention that the future maintenance of the bridge between Site B and the allotments would also fall on the Town Council. This is in addition to fence. Councillor Wilder asked if the quality of the bridge was known however at this stage, it is not. Councillor Lloyd stated that the new allotments would be part of Phase 1 at Site B.

Councillor Cripps asked for clarification regarding social housing on Sites B and E and Councillor Lloyd stated he would follow this through if she could supply more information.

## **503. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Change in Planning Policy re Fast Food Outlets – Councillor Norton

**Councillor Lester that Members thanks to Mrs Blacker for attending the meeting should be noted in the Minutes.**

**2030 Hours – Meeting Closed.**