

## MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 15 JANUARY 2008 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY AT 7 PM

**PRESENT:** Councillor: J Bowen, Mrs C C Doody, J E F Poole, M H Snell, A C R Woodcock, P Rice - Deputy Town Clerk (Minutes)

Members of Public: - Members of Press: -

**Apologies:** Councillor: W Blake (Non committee member), S Killane, C M Vernon

**Also in attendance:**

**Non-Attendance:** Councillor: Mrs A Davis,

#### PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

None

1. **MINUTES** It was resolved that the minutes of meeting held on 18 December 2007 be signed as a true record.

**Points raised:** None

#### 2. **PROGRESS ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

- Cllr Bowen has tried so far without success to contact the member of public who raised the issue of a seat on the Abbey Steps. Meanwhile he and Cllr Doody will discuss this in fuller detail at a site meeting on 16 January.

**ACTION CLLR BOWEN**

- **DARK LANE**

Awaiting to hear regarding options for traffic calming. Visit site with Traffic Engineer. **ACTION PHIL RICE TO DIARY TO 4 FEBRUARY FOR PROGRESS**

Since the issue was originally raised, Cllr Vernon had advised that kerbs had been placed in Avon Edge protruding beyond the old wall ie leaving the highway narrower than it had been and this needs to be taken up appropriately. A response is still awaited from Highways

**ACTION PHIL RICE**

- **WRONG YELLOW LINING IN DARK LANE AREA**

Geoff Woodward of WCC has advised the utility companies within the area as the lines that they have installed are wrong he is asking them to re-line the area in the correct colour Primrose Yellow and 50mm width. **ACTION PHIL RICE TO DIARY 4 FEBRUARY FOR PROGRESS**

- **TRUCKLE BRIDGE**

The cracks on the walls were getting worse and there was evidence of some initial cracking on the highway.

WCC have discussed damage with Julian Hanes in the bridge office, he is aware of movement in the parapets and will have another look at it this week / next week. He is not too concerned at this stage as the bridge is a concrete slab not an arch. He believes there is some movement on one of the

abutments. This has been monitored for some time and if necessary appropriate action will be taken before the problem becomes too serious.

**ACTION PHIL RICE TO DIARY 4 FEBRUARY FOR PROGRESS**

- At the suggestion of Highways staff we have written to them to point out the potential need already for yellow lining etc on Tetbury Hill alongside the new Filands development. It had been suggested some time ago that any contact of this nature be postponed until the estate had been fully populated for six months. We await developments. **ACTION PHIL RICE TO CHASE AGAIN**

- **THE BURNIVALE WALL COLLAPSE AND THE APPARENT LACK OF PROGRESS ON REBUILD**

It was agreed at a recent committee meeting that a meeting involving an affected resident, the two owners of the houses adjoining the damaged wall plus members from this council and NWDC should meet to try to determine the way forward. It appears that NWDC has now determined ownership and has/is to contact owners regarding liability etc. Response is sought by approx 17 January. **ACTION PHIL RICE TO FOLLOW UP WEEK COMMENCING 21 JANUARY HOPEFULLY WITH A VIEW TO SETTING UP MEETING**

- On the above Cllr Vernon had expressed concern about the broken windows in the Manor House and suggested that Phil Rice speak to Sarah Gosling at NWDC regarding this. Enforcement is having difficulty in contact him regarding all their outstanding issues. **ACTION PHIL RICE**
- We have written regarding the possibility of a bus stop along Tetbury Hill on the new development side at Filands and tenders have so far gone out regarding bus routes in and around the new estate. Our comments have been taken on board.
- We have been advised that work on the yellow lining and the amended car parking at Station Yard will commence in March.
- We understand that the skip in the Market Cross will be removed in the next 3-4 weeks.
- The temporary traffic lights by Dyson, which we thought were to be there until 22 February, have been removed.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Name	Application/item	Type of Interest	Nature of interest	Action
None				

**4. PLANNING ISSUES**

**APPLICATIONS RECEIVED** The applications on the attached schedule were tabled and comments forwarded to North Wiltshire District Council.

**ACTION PHIL RICE**

- **Unresolved Planning Issues**

	Location	Issue	Action	Current Position
1	Manor House, Oxford Street and The Manse	It is thought that the owner of the property has made some inappropriate alterations to the	Phil Rice in dialogue with NWDC	OCTOBER 2007 NWDC taking legal action

		interior of the building including stairs thought not in keeping with a Grade 2 listed building		<b>ACTION PHIL RICE TO CHASE AGAIN FEB'Y 2008</b>
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**6. TO CONSIDER CURRENT PARKING AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

- There has been a letter from a resident of Foundry Road regarding a neighbour's demolition of a fence and hedge so that access can be gained more easily to the latter's house, the front of which is actually in Willow View Close. There has been correspondence previously and many years ago it was understood that the land was technically owned by the town and restrictions had been put in place to prevent what has happened. However the deeds were lost probably after 1974. It was agreed that we would contact NWDC enforcement officer about this issue and see what can be done.

**ACTION PHIL RICE**

**7. TO CONSIDER AND AGREE A STREET NAME FOR THE NEW MALMESBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL AS PER REPORT PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED**

- After a brief discussion it was resolved that we would seek to have this road named Poole Road after Joseph Poole who was Mayor on three occasions and had originally owned the land. He had also been a well-known entrepreneur and gave the first picture shows in the UK. **ACTION PHIL RICE TO CONTACT NWDC**
- Members felt that perhaps at some stage a booklet could be prepared on the derivation of street names in the town.

**8. TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO THE REVISED AFFORDABLE HOUSING SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT AS PER REPORT PREVIOUSLY CIRCULATED**

- Given the circumstances of here it was agreed that we should just note the content of the report and advice NWDC that we had no further feedback. **ACTION PHIL RICE TO CONTACT NWDC**

**9. CORRESPONDENCE, INFORMATION AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION**

- A copy of a letter from the Civic Trust addressed to district council regarding the way the applications regarding 54 Gloucester Street had been handled in Chippenham and that in fact the decision was incorrect. This is available for inspection. Since the meeting, we have heard that for reasons of finance, the Civic Trust will not be taking the matter further.
- NWDC has informed us that it is intended to reduce the size of large poplar trees at the long stay car park located within the grass areas adjacent to the river.
- Members agreed that whilst Malmesbury has not been consulted, that following a letter from the chairman of Malmesbury Youth Football Club, we should write to NWDC supporting, in principle, the planning application for new changing rooms at the club's Red Bull site. **ACTION PHIL RICE TO WRITE**

- The plans opposed by this committee re signage on the Kings Arms have been withdrawn.
- As members are aware a public meeting is to be held on 23 January in the Town Hall at 6pm regarding the explosion in the Horsefair. We have communicated this widely to the media, organisations and individuals likely to be affected.
- As members will be aware a member of the public has complained about the in places dangerous state of the new Newnton Grove play area and it is understood that some remedial action has been taken.

**10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING –TUESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 2008 AT 7PM**

11. Meeting closed at 7.50 pm.

**APPLICATIONS FOR MEETING 15 JANUARY 2008**

<b>APPLICATION NUMBERS</b>	07/03293/FUL	<b>MTC</b>	557
<b>PROPOSAL</b>	Change of use of part of building to use for auctions; demolition of existing single storey wing and erection of new single storey entrance/reception, office and ancillary accommodation; provision of new pedestrian entrance and external works.		
<b>LOCATION</b>	Hilditch & Co, Gloucester Road		
<b>APPLICANT</b>	M G & N Hilditch		
<b>DECISION</b>	<b>SUPPORT</b>		
<b>APPLICATION NUMBERS</b>	07/03186/FUL	<b>MTC</b>	558
<b>PROPOSAL</b>	Erection of smoking shelter		
<b>LOCATION</b>	The Smoking Dog, 62 High Street		
<b>APPLICANT</b>	S A Brain & Co Ltd		
<b>DECISION</b>	<b>OPPOSE. CONCERNED THAT NON SMOKERS WILL HAVE TO PASS THROUGH ROOM TO GET TO GARDEN AREA. IN ADDITION IT IS FELT THAT THE DEVELOPMENT WILL NOT ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AREA AND IS THUS CONTRARY TO POLICY HE1</b>		
07/03187/LBC had been dealt with at previous meeting with same decision reached			
<b>APPLICATION NUMBERS</b>	07/02891/FUL	<b>MTC</b>	559
<b>PROPOSAL</b>	Removal of dangerous wall and roof covering following gas explosion		
<b>LOCATION</b>	30-38 Horsefair		
<b>APPLICANT</b>	Agents for insurance companies		
<b>DECISION</b>	<b>SUPPORT BUT WOULD URGE THAT THIS IS NOT WITHOUT DELAY</b>		

<b>APPLICATION NUMBERS</b>	07/02891/FUL	<b>MTC</b>	560/534
<b>PROPOSAL (Revised)</b>	Outbuilding with verandah		
<b>LOCATION</b>	33 Gastons Road		
<b>APPLICANT</b>	S Evans		
<b>DECISION</b>	<b>SUPPORT</b>		
<b>DECISION (Revised)</b>	<b>SUPPORT</b>		
<b>LATE APPLICATIONS FOR MEETING 15 JANUARY 2008</b>			
<b>APPLICATION NUMBERS</b>	08/00035/TCA	<b>MTC</b>	561
<b>PROPOSAL</b>	Tree surgery to yew tree		
<b>LOCATION</b>	Kingswall House, Kings Wall		
<b>APPLICANT</b>	Mr & Mrs R J Woodhouse		
<b>DECISION</b>	<b>SUPPORT</b>		
<b>APPLICATION NUMBERS</b>	07/033031/LBC	<b>MTC</b>	562
<b>PROPOSAL</b>	Alterations to first floor kitchen, inset new staircase from first to attic floor, create bedroom in attic and insert rooflight in rear extension		
<b>LOCATION</b>	46 Gloucester Street		
<b>APPLICANT</b>	Mr R Little		
<b>DECISION</b>	<b>SUPPORT</b>		