

MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 22 JULY 2008 IN THE TOWN HALL, MALMESBURY AT 7 PM

PRESENT: Councillor: W G Blake (Chairman), Mrs C C Doody, M H Snell, C M Vernon, P Rice - Deputy Town Clerk (Minutes)

Members of Public: One Members of Press: None

Apologies:- Councillor: J Bowen, J E F Poole, R F Sanderson, M Thomas

In attendance: - The Mayor, Cllr A C R Woodcock

Non-Attendance: -

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

1 MINUTES It was resolved that the minutes of meeting held on 1 July 2008 be signed as a true record.

Points raised:

- None

2 PROGRESS ACTION POINTS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

NB The figures in brackets are the dates when the issue was first raised.

- **(10/07)** Regarding the proposed steps half way up the Abbey Steps, the lady who made the suggestion some time ago is taking great interest in the progress on this project. Cllr Snell has, following the recent MALG meeting, taken the issue on and met Julian Kashdan-Brown after that meeting and will look at the design and pricing in due course. Additionally he is to meet somebody provisionally on Friday in order to further progress the matter.

ACTION CLLR SNELL TO PROGRESS

- **(4/08)** A resident of Basevi Close had expressed concern about the speed of traffic at the front of this new development made worse by the road now being in parts "blind" making it difficult for residents of the new road to exit it in their vehicles. Highways met with Cllr Thomson recently to look at remedies etc and we are still trying to ascertain progress.

ACTION PHIL RICE

- **(11/07) THE BURNIVALE WALL COLLAPSE AND PROGRESS ON REBUILD** We have heard that the lawyers of district and county council have met but there is nothing to report as there is still some dispute about the ownership of the relevant wall. We have kept the complainant informed.

ACTION PHIL RICE TO CHASE AGAIN EARLY AUGUST

- Cllr Snell had advised members at the last meeting that at times there is significant anti-social activity caused by young motorists using the long stay car park and at times the approach roads as a bit of a race track. Not only is the activity dangerous and illegal, but it appears to take place often late at night sometimes around 1.30 am.

On the same topic at the beginning of the meeting, a local resident, having emailed the Mayor the previous evening, discussed this at some length with councillors and also brought up the youths' website which possibly could be closed down given the offensive language on it.

The police, being at a recent Area 1 meeting, were apparently unaware of the problem, had given assurances that the issue would be investigated and had been told of the latest concerns.

Since the meeting, I have heard from Cllr Sanderson of NWDC that a multi agency approach involving police, local authorities, residents etc is to be taken and we will be provided with the relevant information shortly. He suggested that a “sledgehammer to crack a nut” approach will be adopted.

- **(6/08)** Cllr Bowen expressed concern about right of way issues at the pinch point in Holloway and we are still to write to seek improvements. **ACTION PHIL RICE**
- **(7/08)** Again not a parking issue but it was agreed that, following information supplied by Cllr Snell, we would ask for a new sign in St Mary’s Lane and a narrow width sign as well. **ACTION PHIL RICE**
- **(7/08)** Cllr Snell expressed concern at the large lorries (sometimes with trailers on) parked opposite the ambulance station and wondered if there are any weight and length limitations. We will try to find out. **ACTION PHIL RICE**
- Cllr Killane had asked at the last meeting that Fairtrade signs be put on the four Malmesbury signs on the extremities to the town and his discussions with county officials about this have not been helpful. He is to provide Phil Rice with some information and he will try to get some empathy and action. **ACTION CLLR KILLANE THE PHIL RICE**

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**
- Phil Rice is to contact the applicant in respect of 08/01455/TCA and advise that the committee has in fact supported the application, **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 interior of the building including stairs thought not in keeping with a Grade 2 listed building	Phil Rice in dialogue with NWDC	May 2008 NWDC taking legal action but matters proceeding slowly ACTION PHIL RICE CHASE AGAIN AUGUST

2	6 Gloucester Street	Erection of suitable sign and internal alterations done without planning permission	March 2008 Phil Rice reported to NWDC	May 2008 We are assured planning application will "follow". CHASE AGAIN AUG 2008
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3	St John's Cottage, 6 St John's Street	Felt breach of planning regulations here in respect of the roof and the dormer windows	June 2008 Phil Rice reported to NWDC	At this stage acknowledged only CHASE AGAIN AUGUST 2008
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4	Roundmead, St John's Street	Yard of a boarded up cottage being used as a car park	June 2008 Phil Rice reported to NWDC	At this stage acknowledged only CHASE AGAIN AUGUST 2008
5	David Hendry Cars	Use of grass verge as display area	July 2008 Reported	July 2008 Reported
6	Mr Neal's premises on by pass	Use of grass verge as display area	July 2008 Reported	July 2008 Reported

5. TO CONSIDER CURRENT PARKING ISSUES

- Cllr Snell outlined the content of the Parking Working Group's meeting held on 16 July with district councillors and others, the minutes of which had been distributed previously.
- Members briefly discussed the proposed Cross Hayes car park layout and members wondered whether a bike stand could be included and this is to be pursued.
ACTION PHIL RICE
- Cllr Snell outlined the content of a wide ranging conversation he had had with a resident of the Maltings regarding the parking and highway difficulties in that area and it is likely that we will receive a letter shortly.

6. TO CONSIDER CURRENT ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

- The Chairman led a brief discussion about the Swindon & Wiltshire Waste Core Strategy and Cllr Snell, the responsible member, outlined recent meetings he had attended. It is hoped that both will be able to attend a

forthcoming meeting. Cllr Blake's recent comments made in a private capacity will be circulated to members.

ACTION PHIL RICE

7. SUSTAINABILITY SYMPOSIUM/WORKSHOP FOR MALMESBURY – NEXT STEPS

- This group is to meet tomorrow evening.

8. CORRESPONDENCE AND EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION

- Cllr Vernon outlined the information available re a potential cycle track from town to the Somerfords.
- Cllr Blake and Phil Rice outlined the issues regarding a disabled parking sign in the Triangle and whilst we had thought an amicable solution had been achieved, it appears that this is not the case and the complainant is taking additional action. Meanwhile two letters have been received on this topic, one unfortunately containing incorrect information.
- Danny Everett is no longer the main highways contact and Sally Barnett has taken over these responsibilities although there will be a long handover.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY 12 AUGUST 2008 IN THE TOWN HALL.

9. Meeting closed at 8.30 pm

APPLICATIONS FOR MEETING 22 JULY 2008			
NUMBERS-NWDC	08/01455/TAC	MTC	660
PROPOSAL	Crown reduction of one ash and three conifer trees		
LOCATION	The Cliff, 5 Gloucester Road		
APPLICANT	C Wilton		
DECISION	SUPPORT		
NUMBERS-NWDC	08/01498/FUL	MTC	661
PROPOSAL	Single storey front extension; two storey rear extension; car port and infills to side of property		
LOCATION	Alveron, 13 White Lion Park		
APPLICANT	Mr & Mrs T Cork		
DECISION	SUPPORT		
NUMBERS-NWDC	08/01479/LBC	MTC	662
PROPOSAL	Insertion of new window to first floor, new dormer and replacement window to existing dormer		
LOCATION	4 Hodder Court, High Street		
APPLICANT	Mrs Smith		
DECISION	SUPPORT		

NUMBERS-NWDC	08/01580/FUL	MTC	663
PROPOSAL	Rear conservatory		
LOCATION	2 Morse Close		
APPLICANT	Mr & Mrs Bareham		
DECISION	SUPPORT SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION OF MATERIAL CONTENT REGARDING ROOF AND GLAZING		
NUMBERS-NWDC	08/01410/TCA	MTC	664/653
PROPOSAL	Fell one fruit tree		
LOCATION	26 Gastons Road		
APPLICANT	Not stated		
DECISION	SUPPORT		
NUMBERS-NWDC	08/01606/FUL	MTC	665
PROPOSAL	Two storey rear extension		
LOCATION	14a Silver Street		
APPLICANT	C Grigg		
DECISION	SUPPORT		
LATE APPLICATIONS FOR MEETING 22 JULY 2008			
NUMBERS-NWDC	08/01523/LBC	MTC	666
PROPOSAL	Repainting of exterior of property		
LOCATION	71 High Street		
APPLICANT	Mrs N Daniels		
DECISION	SUPPORT		
NUMBERS-NWDC	08/01669/LBC	MTC	667
PROPOSAL	Replacement of casement window (retrospective)		
LOCATION	Top End Cottage, 42 West Street		
APPLICANT	Mrs Vandelli		
DECISION	SUPPORT		