

MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee held on 6th October 2020 at 7pm via Zoom

Present; Cllrs, P Exton (Chair) C Ritchie W Jones
J Exton D Rogers

Also present; Clerk to the Committee & 3 members of the public (1 more for part of meeting)

PE/201 To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct

None

PE/202 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllrs D'Arcy & Hardwick

PE/203 To receive public questions in respect of items on this agenda

None

PE/204 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 15th September 2020

The minutes of meetings held on the 15th September were approved as a correct record and will be signed following the restrictions of COVID-19 being lifted.

**PE/205 Planning issues – to consider the following;
a. Planning Applications received since previous meeting**

20/07578/FUL – Kingswall House

It was resolved that the P&E Committee has **no objection** to the application.

20/07565/VAR – 95 Gloucester Rd

It was resolved that the P&E Committee has **no objection** to the application.

20/06887/FUL & 20/07472/LBC – Gable House

It was resolved that the P&E Committee **objects** to the application subject and will submit comments based on the discussion which included concerns over property owner's efforts to market as commercial premises to rent, failure to comply with WC Minimum Parking Standards Policy & that the site is one of, if not the last, serviced office spaces in the Town.

b. Unresolved planning issues

Cllr J Exton asked if there had been any progress with the replacement of the burned out bins. Cllr Jones responded that the reply from Wiltshire Council had been unsatisfactory and will continue to lobby for the replacements to be made by WC.

c. Planning updates

Cllr P Exton reported that two applications had recently been approved by WC that MTC had objected to because they didn't conform to WC Minimum Parking Standards Policy. It was **resolved** that the Clerk would challenge these decisions as MTC had objected to them in line with WC policy and would seek clarity.

PE/206 To consider Highways Improvement Request to put in dropped kerb by Fire Station.

Members noted the request and following discussion it was agreed that the issue would be forwarded to CATG but that MTC has concerns that one dropped kerb would be insufficient and seeks specialist guidance from a Wiltshire Council Highways Officer.

PE/207 To consider 25% contribution to CATG project to convert the length of Mill Lane covered by width restriction to a cycle path thus permitting two way use by cyclists.

It was resolved that MTC would not make the 25% contribution to the project but that the Clerk would contact the CATG seeking a less expensive option.

PE/208 To consider response to 'The Future of Planning' Consultation (continued from last meeting)

It was agreed that a sub group would be formed comprising Cllrs P Exton, Ritchie & Rogers with Cllr Jones offering assistance. The group requested feedback on the document from all members by Monday 12th October (lunchtime) to enable them to submit an informed comment on the consultation by the 29th October.

1 member of the public joined the meeting

PE/209 To consider action required on the proposed discharge of planning obligation relating to N/11/04126/OUT (continued from last meeting)

Cllr Ritchie stated that the application dates back to 2013/14 and that a pressing need for extra Nursery spaces in the Town has been identified. It was also noted that there is an appetite for expanded SEN education provision in the area. It was resolved that MTC will continue to object and will arrange a meeting with the Planning Consultants.

PE/210 To note the S106 Agreement attached to the Aldi planning approval and consider this agreement in the context of the Malmesbury Neighbourhood Plan and previous submissions by Malmesbury Town Council

The S106 Agreement was noted by members. The Clerk was asked to find out about Highways Infrastructure as this information was not mentioned in the agreement.

Meeting closed at 8.29pm

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