

MALMESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee held on 8th December 2020 at 7pm via Zoom

Present; Cllrs, P Exton (Chair) C Ritchie W Jones
S D'Arcy D Rogers

Also present; Clerk to the Committee

PE/229 To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct

Cllr Ritchie declared an interest in agenda item 5a (170) and will leave the meeting during discussion

PE/230 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllrs Hardwick & J Exton

PE/231 To receive public questions in respect of items on this agenda

None

PE/232 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 18th November 2020

Cllr Doody was in attendance as she had been contacted by a member of the public with regard to planning application 20/08613/FUL (Land adjacent to Kings Wall) noting that since the P&E Committee had discussed the application at its last meeting objections had been raised by members of the public. Cllr Exton responded that he had been advised by the Town Clerk that MTC had reached its decision on the application and that there is no requirement to re-visit that decision, reiterating that MTC is a statutory consultee, not the deciding authority, and that WC will determine the application based on all representations.

The minutes of meetings held on the 27th October were approved as a correct record and will be signed following the restrictions of COVID-19 being lifted.

PE/233 Planning issues – to consider the following;

a. Planning Applications received since previous meeting

It was resolved to bring application ref. 170 forwards

Cllr Ritchie left the meeting

20/1043/TCA – 42 Baskerville

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

Cllr Ritchie returned to the meeting

20/10152/TCA – 121 High Street

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

20/10154/TCA – 117 High Street

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

20/10153/TCA – 119 High Street

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

20/08292/FUL – 14 Neibull Close

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

20/10262/TCA – Weavers

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

0/10332/TCA – 2 Silver Street

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 maintains its **strong objection** to the application and that comments would be submitted detailing the objection. These include;

- Previous objection to non-compliance with WC Minimum Parking Standards Policy.
- No attempt made to market the property as office space
- Failure to comply with the Neighbourhood Plan

b. Unresolved planning issues

None

c. Planning updates

Cllr Ritchie notified members that WC has confirmed that it does not have control of the Five Year Land Supply. A meeting had taken place with WALPA & Strategic Planners at WC. The Wiltshire Local Plan is going to be reviewed in January 2021, a submission to the consultation will be critical. If Government approves the recent White Paper, the Malmesbury Area will be required to increase its housing supply.

PE/234 To consider previous Highways Improvements Requests at Baskerville – to pass on to Highways or CATG (report Cllr Ritchie)

Following intense discussion it was resolved that the request for double yellow lines at the end of Baskerville would be passed to CATG but it was recognised that the process takes time and that more immediate action is necessary to prevent blocking of Emergency Services Vehicles.

PE/235 To review the latest guidance from Wiltshire Council on the possible allocation of the CIL resulting from the Aldi development and to decide on the appropriate next steps to be taken by Malmesbury Town Council

Cllr Ritchie reported that he had been advised that CIL funds can be spent outside the receiving Parish but that this can only be done following consultation. Cllr Ritchie stated that he had been in contact with the Chair of St Paul Malmesbury Without Parish Council and that he had been informed that the Parish has projects which require the CIL payment to progress.

It was agreed that investigation will be made in to the agreed projects of St Paul Malmesbury Without and whether the CIL payment would ***“support the development of the local area by funding a) the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure; or b) anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area”***.

PE/236 To note Wiltshire Council’s stance on Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Points in Malmesbury & consider way forwards.

Following circulation of Cllr Ritchie’s report, it was agreed that MTC sees progression of the installation of EV Charging Points in Malmesbury as a priority and expects to see further action in the coming year. The report was noted and it was agreed that the Town Council will continue to press Wiltshire Council to pursue.

Meeting closed at 8.36pm

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