

## Malmesbury Town Council

Minutes of the **Planning & Environment Committee Meeting**  
Held in Malmesbury Town Hall on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2023** at 7.00pm.

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**Present:** Cllrs P Exton (Chair), C Ritchie (Vice Chair), L Wood, R Sanderson & RP Jones

**Also present:** Claire Mann (Town Clerk)

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**PE/23/20 To receive Declarations of Interest in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct**

Cllr Ritchie declared an interest in the planning application at 42 Baskerville and will leave the meeting during discussion

**PE/23/21 To receive apologies for absence**

Apologies received from Cllr W Jones

**PE/23/22 To receive Public Questions in respect of items on this agenda**

The member of the public in attendance stated that she was interested in the cessation of Glyphosate use by MTC

**PE/23/23 To adopt the minutes of Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

The Minutes were adopted and signed as a correct record.

**PE/23/24 To receive LHFI Report**

Cllr Exton reported that there is no report as yet, the meeting had taken place prior to this planning meeting and would be circulated shortly.

It was also noted that it had been agreed at the previous P&E meeting that MTC would contribute 30% for the work at Mill Lane and the dropped kerb at Station Yard.

**PE/23/25 Planning Issues**

**i. To receive an update on planning enforcement issue**

There is no further information on the report to the Enforcement Officer of unauthorised work to property in Hanks Close.

**ii. Planning applications received since previous meeting**

PL/2022/09479 – Mundens Close

It was resolved that the Committee has **no objection** to the application

PL/2022/08835 – 5 Days Court

It was resolved that the Committee has **no objection** to the application

PL/2023/00147 – 42 Baskerville

It was resolved that the Committee has **no objection** to the application

*Cllr Ritchie left the meeting*

*Cllr Ritchie returned to the meeting*

It was resolved that the Committee has **no objection** to the application

**iii. To note and determine next steps in response to Government's Live National Planning Policy Framework review consultation**

It was agreed that the information about the consultation will be circulated prior to the P&E meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> February and that only this item and applications received (excepting legal requirements) will be considered.

**PE/23/26 Unresolved planning issues or updates**

**i. Update on EV Charging following submission of request to survey locations (report LD)**

The report was noted. The Survey results are awaited from Wiltshire Council and members agreed that further information is required before a decision is made by MTC.

**ii. Update on meeting scheduled 12<sup>th</sup> January 2023 with WC Planning Representatives with reference to MTC Neighbourhood Plan and recent planning decisions**

Cllr Ritchie reported that the meeting had been very helpful. It was made clear that MTC is frustrated by the lack of WC Local Plan, suggestions were made that MTC engages with local service providers but MTC believes this should be led by WC.

It was noted that MTC will persist and to request a summary of key points made by Members and how the proposals will impact Town & Parish Councils.

**PE/23/27 To receive an update on items listed**

**1. Repositioning of War Memorial**

It was requested that Cllr W Jones presents a report to meeting in March

**2. Abbey Mill Bridge**

It was noted that WC appear to be obstructive in the progression with this issue but that the Deputy Town Clerk perseveres

**3. Market Cross**

It was agreed that the Deputy Town Clerk will seek an accredited architect to survey the Market Cross

**4. St Aldhelms Bridge safe load**

There has been no progress as yet

**5. Wheelers Way**

Cllr Sanderson is looking into this and it was noted that it could be mentioned at the upcoming meeting with Bloor Homes

**PE/23/28 To update and/or determine next steps on new projects**

**1. Road Signage missing/repair replacement**

It was agreed that a request would go to WC to clean and repair the brown signs at the entrance to the Town. The Clerk was also asked to send an email to all staff and Councillors what road/street signs they are aware of that need replacing or repairing.

**2. Abbey Row to Daniels Well signage improvements including River walk signs**

Meeting to be arranged with Cllr Exton, the Town Clerk and the resident making the original enquiry. The signs are ready to be put up.

**3. Dropped Kerbs to assist with accessibility**

It was agreed that the Clerk would ask all Cllrs and staff if they are aware of any sites that require dropped kerbs

4. Options to address potential speeding and improve the pedestrian experience within the Town

The responses will be collated and presented to a future meeting

***Meeting closed at 8.15pm***