



PLANNING ADVISORY AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee meeting held on 1st April 2019 in the Public Hall, Beaminster at 7.00pm.

1443 PRESENT: Cllr Cheeseman (Chairman) Cllr Beswarick, Cllr Body, Cllr Corbett, Cllr Dawkins, Cllr Faulkner, Cllr Mrs J Page and Cllr Turner.

1444 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:-
Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Norris

1445 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY & HIGHWAYS MEETING HELD ON 4TH MARCH 2019
The minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee meeting held on 4th March 2019 having previously been circulated were confirmed and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

1446 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS
There were no Declarations of Interests received.

1447 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) APPLICATIONS
The following planning applications were considered:

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| (1) WD/D/19/000613 | LAND TO NORTH WEST OF COCKROAD LANE –
Outline planning permission for up to 58 residential dwellings, (including 35% affordable housing) amenity area for recreational use, planting, landscaping, informal public open space and children’s play area and sustainable drainage system including demolition of agricultural structures. All matters reserved with the exception of access |
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In considering the proposal in respect of the access to the site Beaminster Town Council made the following comments:

- Three applications for housing development are ‘current’ for two sites in this area, former Clipper Tea site and BEAM 1. These separate applications were fragmenting the sites – the Town council emphasises the need to co-ordinate traffic movement and supported the view of the Transport Development Liaison Engineer that the development would be better served and connected to the adjacent site via the roundabout.

- The Town Council believed that an improved layout could be achieved by a co-ordinated approach to all three sites with more suited traffic movements, recreational areas, open spaces, landscaping and housing provision.
- BEAM 1 site is allocated within the Local Plan as a site for residential and employment development, the Town Council OBJECT to the proposal for residential only development.
- The Town Council would have preferred to have an indication as to reserved matters and stressed the importance of consultation with the developer.
- With the exception of water conservation there appeared to be no mention of other 'green' initiatives for the site.

(2) WD/D/19/000626

MIDDLEBROOK HOUSE, 20 WHITCOMBE ROAD -
Conversion of garage to dwelling

Recommend Approval of the application, the development would not have an impact on the area however members emphasised the dwelling should remain auxillary accommodation to the main house.

(3) WD/D/19/000605

21 STOKE WATER HOUSE, STOKE ROAD –
Erect first floor conservatory

Recommend Approval of the application, the development would not have an impact on the area.

(b) PLANNING APPROVAL

Members **NOTED** six planning approvals received since the last meeting.

1448 WELCOME TO BEAMINSTER – TOWN SIGNS

In light of correspondence received regarding the poor condition of the existing signs members **AGREED** to explore options for improved signage and referred the item to Publicity & Community Engagement Group to progress.

1449 CORRESPONDENCE

No items of correspondence had been received.

1450 PUBLIC TRANSPORT

(a) Community Transport – CB3 Saturday service

Cllr Turner advised the service continued to be well used, in particular the 10.25am journey from Crewkerne to Bridport. The Council had now had bespoke tickets printed featuring the new town Logo.

1451 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

Cllr Dawkins advised he would request a visit from the Ranger to inspect a culvert in Half Acre Lane.

1452 HIGHWAY ISSUES

- (a)** As the result of a complaint voiced at the March Committee meeting Cllr Cheeseman advised that he had spoken to the estate agent offices in the Town with regard to their practice of attaching 'for sale' signs to highway signs
- (b)** **ATM raid** – Cllr Cheeseman expressed his concern no update had been issued in recent weeks and undertook to make some enquiries. He asked that Dorset Council be made aware of the untidy signage and barriers.

1453 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

No report was received.

1454 CONSULTATIONS

No consultations were raised for discussion.

1455 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members **NOTED** the next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday 7th May 2019.

1456 MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting which started at 7.00pm closed at 8.04pm.

Chairman
7th May 2019