



BEAMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING ADVISORY AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee meeting held on 3rd April 2018 in the Skyrm Room, Public Hall, Beaminster at 7.00pm.

Residents of Shadrack Street expressed concern with regard to the increase in parking, particularly by workers coming into the town and enquired whether it would be possible to introduce a residents parking scheme.

1308 PRESENT: Cllr Body (Chairman), Cllr Beswarick, Cllr Cheeseman, Cllr Mrs J Cooke, Cllr Dawkins, Cllr Jupp, Cllr Mrs J Page and Cllr Turner.

1309 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:-

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Baker and West Dorset District Councillor Barrowcliffe.

1310 MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY & HIGHWAYS MEETING HELD ON 5th March 2018

The minutes of the Planning Advisory and Highways Committee meeting held on 5th March 2018 having previously been circulated were confirmed and signed as a correct record by the Chairman.

1311 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS

No declarations of interest were received.

1312 PLANNING MATTERS

(a) APPLICATIONS

The following planning applications were considered:

(1) WD/D/17/002935 (FULL)

UNIT 3, LYNDEN WAY, THE SQUARE

Internal and external alterations to facilitate the installation of an air-conditioning unit

Recommend Approval.

(2) WD/D/17/002936 (LBC)

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(3) WD/D/18/000355 (FULL)

FOXLEAZE, WHITCOMBE ROAD

Erection of single storey extension to south elevation

Recommend Approval.

(4) WD/D/18/000368 (LBC)

22 HOGSHILL STREET

Installation of reclaimed oak parquet flooring to 2 front ground floor rooms

Recommend Approval.

(b) PLANNING APPROVALS

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

1313 PUBLIC TRANSPORT LIAISON OFFICER

(a) Community Transport

Cllr Turner advised there would, unfortunately, be a delay in the registering of the proposed Saturday bus service route due to the time scale in obtaining a permit number. The County Council had agreed to underwrite the training of five volunteer drivers however this would not take place until insurance for the vehicle had been put in place.

Following a number of residents from Netherbury expressing an interest in using the service he hoped to arrange a meeting with Netherbury and Broadwindsor Parish Councils in the coming weeks.

Cllr Mrs Page expressed her concern that a 16 seat bus would not have the capacity to cope with the apparent demand. Cllr Jupp, in agreement with Cllr Mrs Page, asked if enquiries could be made with bus service providers as to the costs of operating a timetabled Saturday bus service as an alternative to a community bus.

1314 PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY OFFICER

Cllr Jupp advised of a complaint received regarding padlocked gates on Footpath 6, this had been reported to the head ranger.

1315 HIGHWAY ISSUES

(a) Dorset County Council – Prout Bridge

Members were disappointed to **NOTE** the content of an email received from Alaric Little, Community Highways Team Leader enquiring whether the Town Council wished to proceed with the installation of bollards at Prout Bridge. In response to the question regarding a weight restriction for Whitcombe Road Alaric had confirmed that it would not be applicable in this instance.

Following discussion it was **AGREED**, at this stage, not to accept bollards without further consideration with regard to a 'build out' on which to site them.

In view of the general frustration and the lack of progress it was **AGREED** to extend an invitation to representatives from the Highway Team to attend the Annual Parish Meeting on 26th April.

(b) Residents parking – Shadrack Street

Members **NOTED** the content of an email received from a resident of Shadrack Street regarding shoppers and workers regularly parking on the street making it increasingly difficult for residents to park. A request was made for the consideration of a residents parking scheme, the Town Clerk to make enquiries with the County Council.

(c) Speeding in Beaminster

Members **NOTED** the content of an email received from a resident of St Mary Well Street expressing his concern at the speed of traffic passing through the Town. **AGREED** to forward the correspondence to the Highways Team for comment.

1316 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Mrs Page advised a meeting had been scheduled to take place on 4th April.

1317 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting as **NOTED** for Tuesday 1st May 2018.

1318 MEETING

There being no further business, the meeting which started at 7.00pm closed at 8.10pm

CHAIRMAN
3rd April 2018