

SHERBORNE TOWN COUNCIL

PLANS COMMITTEE

6 November 2017

At a meeting of the PLANS COMMITTEE held at the Council Chamber, The Manor House, Sherborne on **Monday 6 November 2017 at 7.00 pm.**

Present: Cllr K Pike - Chairman
Cllrs J Andrews, D Birley, J Carey, S Greene, A Hall, M Hall, J Hogben and J Pentolfe

In attendance: Mr T Savage (Town Clerk) and Mrs S Woodford (Civic Administrator)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr A Cook

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATION REQUESTS

2.1 Cllr Pentolfe declared an interest in Item 5.5 as a friend of the applicant.

2.2 Cllr M Hall declared that taking part in the discussions and vote on new planning applications at this meeting, has been done on the understanding that his decisions are based on the information available at this time and that he reserves the right to change those decisions when the applications are discussed at West Dorset District Council. He also declared an interest in Item 5.9 as he has carries out contractual work for the applicant.

2.3 Cllr A Hall declared an interest in Item 5.5 and 5.9 as she carries out contractual work for the applicants.

2.4 Cllr Pike declared an interest in Item 5.4 as she is a friend of the applicant.

3. MINUTES

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Andrews and SECONDED by Cllr A Hall and AGREED (8 in favour and 1 non vote) that:

The Minutes of the Plans Committee meeting held on 2 October 2017 were taken as read.

4. DECISIONS

The Chairman referred to details of decisions made by the Development Control Committee in respect of applications previously considered by the Committee.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Andrews and SECONDED by Cllr Greene and agreed unanimously to vary the order of the agenda and consider the Highways related Items 7.1, 7.2, 7.3 and 7.4, before the planning applications.

7. TRANSPORT, PARKING AND HIGHWAYS

7.1 Speed Limits – Kitt Hill

Members were in receipt of a request from a resident of Yeovil Road regarding the constant speeding of traffic entering the Kitt Hill area of Sherborne. It was PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Pentolfe to suspend Standing Orders to enable Mrs Sue Canessa to speak in support of her request. It was then PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Greene to re-instate Standing Orders.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Hogben that:

Sherborne Town Council write to Dorset County Council and request that the speed limit from the Horsecastles/A30 junction through to the Kit Hill traffic lights is reduced to 30 mph for the entire length, pointing out that this suggestion was made by Sherborne Town Council when the alterations to the junction were initially discussed.

7.2 Dangerous Parking – The Furlongs and Vernalls Road

Members were in receipt of a request from a resident of Furlongs regarding the inconsiderate and dangerous parking at junctions on both Furlongs and Vernalls Road.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Andrews and AGREED unanimously to suspend Standing Orders to allow Mr Andrew Powers to elaborate on the problems and to relay his fear that emergency service vehicles would be unable to reach Furlongs because of the obstruction caused by vehicles parked at junctions and corners and the lack of visibility at junctions because of parked cars. It was then PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Greene to re-instate Standing Orders.

Cllr Andrews suggested the use of white lines as used at the Simons Road/A30 junction as this deters parking, but does not involve the lengthy process of obtaining a Traffic Regulation Order which is required before yellow lines can be applied. He also suggested approaching the Fire Service.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Carey and AGREED unanimously to suspend Standing Orders to allow Mr Andrew Powers to explain that he had previously contacted both the Police and the Highways Agencies. It was then PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Greene to re-instate Standing Orders.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Hogben and AGREED unanimously that:

Sherborne Town Council write to Dorset County Council and the local Fire Service expressing it's concern for the residents of Furlongs and the surrounding area. It suggests the possibility of using white lines at the junctions (as at Simons Road) and suggests the Fire Service assess the impact of parked vehicles on their ability to access the houses in that area.

7.3 Inconsiderate Parking at George Street

Members were in receipt of a request from a resident of George Street regarding the inconsiderate parking blocking access to and from the properties in George Street and they are seeking appropriate road marking to be applied.

Cllr Andrews had previously visited George Street and he confirmed that the parking was inconsiderate and obstructive. Vehicles were parked up against the houses preventing pedestrian access with pushchairs.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr M Hogben and SECONDED by Cllr Pentolfe and AGREED unanimously that:

Sherborne Town Council write to Dorset County Council Parking Review Team requesting that this urgent matter of extremely inconsiderate parking in George Street is addressed as part of the Sherborne Parking Review.

7.4 Pedestrian Crossing Digby Road / Sherborne Abbey

Members were in receipt of a request from a group of residents regarding the need for a pedestrian crossing in the vicinity of Digby Road and Sherborne Abbey.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Carey and SECONDED by Cllr Greene and AGREED unanimously to suspend Standing Orders to allow Miss Linda Simms to speak. Ms Simms referred to the public halls, TIC, Restaurant and school buildings in Digby Road, all requiring pedestrian access from other parts of Sherborne and she suggested the provision of a pedestrian crossing in front of the Abbey across Half Moon Street. It was then PROPOSED by Cllr A Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Birley and AGREED unanimously to re-instate Standing Orders.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Hogben and AGREED (8 in favour and 1 abstention) that:

Sherborne Town Council write to Dorset County Council confirming support in principle of the provision of a crossing in Half Moon Street in the vicinity of the Abbey.

5. APPLICATIONS

5.1 **WD/D/17/001450 (Full)**

Insertion of a new sash window (retrospective)
63 CHEAP STREET

5.2 **WD/D/17/001451 (LBC)**

Insertion of a new sash window (retrospective)
63 CHEAP STREET

It was PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Andrews and AGREED unanimously that:

The Town Council did not agree a resolution on this application and leave it to the judgement of the Listed Buildings Officer.

5.3 **WD/D/17/002053 (LBC)**

External and internal alterations (part retrospective)
13 ACREMAN STREET

It was PROPOSED by Cllr M Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Andrews and AGREED unanimously that:

The Town Council did not agree a resolution on this application and leave it to the judgement of the Listed Buildings Officer.

5.4 **WD/D/17/002093 (Full)**

Change of use of The Old Chapel on Marston Road, Sherborne, DT9 4BL, from previous uses as retail, workshop, storage and rehearsal room for the Sherborne Amateur Players into a playhouse to facilitate an audience of not more 60 persons.
THE OLD CHAPEL, MARSTON ROAD

Cllr Pike declared an interest in Item 5.4 as she is a friend of the applicant.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Hogben and SECONDED by Cllr Andrews and AGREED (6 in favour, 2 abstentions and 1 non-vote) that:

The Town Council has no objection in principle, but has concerns about the lack of provision for parking, as the nearest public car parks are not directly accessible.

5.5 WD/D/17/002120 (Full)

Construction of a concrete base to support the erection of a potting/garden storage shed
THE RED HOUSE, LONG STREET

Cllr Pentolfe declared an interest in Item 5.5 as a friend of the applicant.

Cllr A Hall declared an interest in Item 5.5 as she carries out contractual work for the applicants.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Andrews and SECONDED by Cllr Carey and AGREED (6 in favour, 1 abstentions and 2 non-vote) that:

The Town Council has no objection.

5.6 WD/D/17/002121 (Full)

Erect Motor Control Centre Kiosk
SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS, WEST MILL LANE

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Hogben and SECONDED by Cllr Andrews and AGREED (8 in favour and 1 against) that:

The Town Council has no objection.

5.7 WD/D/17/002170 (Full)

Erect single storey extension
CLANFIELD COTTAGE, MARSTON ROAD

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Andrews and SECONDED by Cllr A Hall and AGREED (8 in favour and 1 against) that:

The Town Council has no objection.

5.8 WD/D/17/002189 (Full)

Extension to existing cold store
HUNTS FOODSERVICE LTD, LUDBOURNE ROAD

This application had already been approved by WDDC

5.9 WD/D/17/002194 (Full)

Erect garage and carport
FIELD WALLS, THE AVENUE

Cllr M Hall declared an interest in Item 5.9 as he carries out contractual work for the applicant.

Cllr A Hall declared an interest in Item 5.9 as she carries out contractual work for the applicants.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr A Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Pentolfe and AGREED (7 in favour and 2 non vote) that:

The Town Council has no objection.

5.10 WD/D/17/002294 (LBC)

Remove modern fireplace and open up original fireplace ready for new hearth and fire.
QUADRING, GREENHILL

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Andrews and SECONDED by Cllr Greene and AGREED unanimously that:

The Town Council has no objection subject to the approval of the Listed Buildings Officer

5.11 WD/D/17/002321 (Full)
Replacement Dwelling
17 ACREMAN STREET

It was PROPOSED by Cllr A Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Andrews and AGREED unanimously that:

The Town Council has no objection, but is concerned for pedestrian safety throughout the construction process.

5.12 WD/D/17/002362 (Change of use)
Change of use from C3 dwelling back to B1 offices.
THE OLD FOUNDRY, THE OLD FIRE STATION, LUDBOURNE ROAD

It was PROPOSED by Cllr A Hall and SECONDED by Cllr Greene and AGREED unanimously that:

The Town Council has no objection.

6. STREET NAMING AND NUMBERING

6.1 Barton Farm – Corelli Development

Confirmation has been received from Persimmon Homes and West Dorset District Council that the names suggested so far by the Town Council are to be used. However they are seeking further names for subsequent development of the site. Members were surprised as all the roads in Phase 1 and Phase 2 now have assigned names, and queried why suggestions are required when there are no approved plans for further development.

Cllr Greene suggested that the actual name of ‘Barton Farm’ has not been alluded to and she suggested, for future reference, the use of ‘Barton Way’ or ‘Barton Close’, or ‘Barn Close’ or ‘Barn Way’.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Hogben and SECONDED by Cllr Greene and AGREED unanimously that:

The Town Council would refrain from making any official suggestions at this point confirming that should in the future, plans for further phases be presented detailing road layouts further road names would be identified.

The meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.

Chairman