



SHAFTESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Planning and Highways Committee

Minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, High Street, Shaftesbury Dorset SP7 8LY on Tuesday, 17 October 2017 commencing at 7:00pm.

Members Present:

Councillor Brown (Chair for this meeting)

Councillor Taylor

Councillor Todd

Absent:

Councillors Lewer, Austin, Proctor.

Officers Present:

Claire Commons, Town Clerk

Zoe Moxham, Office Administrator

In Attendance:

5 members of the public

1 member of the press

MINUTES**Public Participation**

Members of the public were invited to make representations to the Council on any matters relating to the work of the Council or to raise any issues of concern. The following matters were raised;

- Lyons Walk - Concern over parked cars on these narrow roads resulting in obstruction both on the road and to the houses, and also damage to gas fitting boxes that are positioned along the road. A request is made to extend the double yellow lines to restrict parking.
- NatWest, The Commons – Noted that work may have already gone ahead regarding planning application 2/2017/1395/LBC before being granted permission.
- 1 Bimport – Concern that a fire escape has already been installed without planning permission and concern that if planning permission is granted for three flats on this site, it will result in parking problems.

P32 Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Proctor and Lewer, due to holiday. Councillor Austin was absent.

P33 Declarations of Interest and Dispensations

All members were invited to declare any interests throughout the meeting if the need arose. There were no interests declared.

P34 Minutes

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 12 September 2017 and the minutes were duly signed.

P35 Order of Business

It was **RESOLVED** to discuss item 5, Parking at Lyons Walk as the next item of business to allow members of the public to leave after the items that interest them.

P36 Parking at Lyons Walk

Officer report 1017PH5 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to request of Dorset County Council that double yellow lines are extended to include all of Lyons Walk, except for the disabled parking bay already situated there, and to extend the double yellow lines to include all of Church Lane. It was **AGREED** that the County Council considered alternative solutions if the yellow lines were not feasible.

P37 Planning Applications

Officer report 0917PH4 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to submit the following observations on the below listed applications;

P37a 2/2017/1408/LBC - 22-24 High Street, Shaftesbury. **No Objection.**

P37b 2/2017/1491/HOUSE - 12B Well Lane, Shaftesbury. **No Objection.**

P37c 2/2017/1331/FUL - 44 Sweetmans Road Shaftesbury. Shaftesbury Town Council **Objected** to the proposal due to overdevelopment of the plot, poor visibility on the corner and being out of keeping with the area.

P37d 2/2017/1395/LBC - NatWest The Commons Shaftesbury. **No Objection**

P37e 2/2017/1285/LBC and 1284/FUL - 1 Bimport Shaftesbury. Shaftesbury Town Council **Strongly Objected** to the proposal due to the negative impact on Employment and the Local Economy asserting that the property be business use not residential. Also, the proposal would generate additional traffic and adversely affect road safety based on the poor visibility on an already awkward and busy junction and there is not enough provision for residential parking associated with the application.

P37f 2/2017/1548/HOUSE – Beech Trees 51 Breach Lane Shaftesbury. **No Objection**

P38 Committee Budget

Officer report 1017PH6 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** to the General Management Committee that the following budget provisions for the Committee be considered;

P38a Grit Bins – £4000 for 15 grit bins and grit needed to both fill new ones and replace old grit in the current bins.

- P38b Bus Shelter - £3500 for both the shelter and the costs associated with installing one on the A30 opposite the newly installed shelter at Pixmead Garden.
- P38c Pavements - £1000 put aside for replacement paving as needed.
- P38d Cycle Route – to return the funds currently put aside for this to the General Fund balance. The Cycle Route project to be developed to a point closer to where funds would be needed before revisiting the budget requirements.
- P38e Heritage Lanterns – Carry forward existing £10,000, no additional funds required.
- P38f Neighbourhood Planning Group –£1898 to round the total funds up to £10000.

P39 Neighbourhood Plan

- P39a Officer report 1017PH7 was received and it was **RESOLVED** that the Gillingham Terms of Reference would be tailored for the Shaftesbury Neighbourhood Plan Group to also include an appendix for a Code of Conduct. It was delegated to the Town Clerk and Councillors Taylor, Brown, and Perkins to prepare these documents for Full Council.
- P39b It was **RESOLVED** that a public meeting be held in the Guildhall to discuss the Neighbourhood Plan and call for volunteers for the steering group. The provisional date to be Tuesday 23rd January 2018 at 7pm.

P40 Strategic Plan

Officer report 1017PH8 was received and noted, the following items were discussed, and brief points were made:

- Affordable Housing – noted as the Government’s number one priority.
- Bypass and Christy’s Lane Audit – to be linked with each other.
- Cycle Lane to Motcombe – will be pursued, but the funds will not be held until the project has been developed more, ref. Minute P38d.
- Litter Collection and Litter Receptacles – in hand.
- Neighbourhood Group Plan – ref. Minute P39.
- Street Lighting – With Cllr Lewer.
- Town Centre Enhancement – Parking concerns were recognised, and the one-way system is to be considered by the Neighbourhood Plan group.

P41 Highways

Officer report 1017PH9 was received and it was **RESOLVED** to arrange a meeting with the Technical Officer from North Dorset District Council, the Highways Officer at Dorset County Council and a representative from Persimmon Developers to discuss the unmade roads in the new developments. The matter of the correlation between local developers and S.106 in connection with unmade roads would be raised with the local MP to see if a solution can be found.

P42 Officer Report

Officer report 1017PH10 was received and noted.

P42a Traffic on Bimport – Officers to advise residents that they might want to undertake a community speed watch to help monitor the situation.

P42b Replacement Paving – funds recommended to be allocated for replacement paving ref. Minute P38c

P42c Correspondence expressing concern over work carried out at 7 Gold Hill without planning permission was noted as having been looked in to and North Dorset District Council was aware and dealing with the situation.

P42d Correspondence on the crossing on Christy's Lane, by Linden Park has been received regarding the length of time it take for the lights to change was received and noted.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 9 pm.

Signed

Date