

Barnstaple Town Council

Planning and Transportation Committee

MINUTES of a PLANNING AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE meeting held on THURSDAY 1ST FEBRUARY 2018 at 7.00pm in the Main Hall, The Guildhall, Butchers Row, Barnstaple.

Committee Members Present :- Councillor S Upcott
Councillor I Roome
Councillor Mrs J Hunt
Councillor I Williams (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor A Rennles (Chairman)

Also in Attendance :- W Austin, Town Clerk
1 representative of the media.

74 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs F Vernon (indisposed), C Perkins-Beard, and C Haywood who has been granted a six-month leave of absence by the Full Council, expiring on 25th March 2018.

75 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

Cllrs I Roome and Mrs J Hunt, as District Councillors, have dispensation under Standing Order 66 to participate and vote on any matter relating to the Town and District Councils, except where the matter is contractual/legal.

76 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 18th January 2018 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
(NC)

77 ANCHORWOOD BANK AND PLANNING APPLICATION 64311

The agenda had made provision for a presentation by Andrew Pegg of Wessex Investors, and for members to consider any actions arising. Mr Pegg did not attend the meeting, and there being no discussion by members, it was

RESOLVED: That the Committee proceeds to the next business on the agenda.
(NC)

78 DEPOSITED PLANS

Councillors considered planning applications received for consultation, and made recommendations to the planning authority as follows:

78- 1	64313	Plot Ref :-	Type :- Full
	Applicant Name :-	Barnsable Developments Limited	Date Received :-16/01/2018
	Location :-	Regent House Queen Street Barnstaple EX32 8RR	Date Returned :-05/02/2018

Proposal : REPLACEMENT OF THIRD FLOOR EXTERNAL STRUCTURE TO FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PRIOR APPROVAL 64114 (CHANGE OF USE OF FIRST, SECOND & THIRD FLOORS FROM B1(A) (OFFICES) TO C3 (DWELLINGHOUSES) (31 FLATS))

Observations : RECOMMENDS: Approval, subject to adequate measures to prevent items being dropped or thrown onto the highway.
(NC)

78- 2 64347

Plot Ref :-

Type :- Full

Applicant Name :- Mr G Harrison

Date Received :-18/01/2018

Location :- Bay Tree House
Bellaire
Barnstaple
EX31 1QZ

Date Returned :-05/02/2018

Proposal : ERECTION OF DETACHED GARAGE/SHED

Observations : RECOMMENDS: Approval, subject to:
- Highway Authority approval for the vehicular access/egress to/from Bellaire (a busy road used by significant numbers of school pupils);
- Conservation Officer comments;
- Use of the proposed development as a garage and store only, to be regulated for a minimum of 10 years;
- No windows overlooking the property Stonecrest; and
- The current hedgerow screening being maintained as existing.
(NC)

78- 3 64355

Plot Ref :-

Type :- Full

Applicant Name :- Green Lane Jersey Put

Date Received :-19/01/2018

Location :- Green Lanes Shopping
Centre
Unit 19-20
Barnstaple
EX31 1UL

Date Returned :-05/02/2018

Proposal : REPLACEMENT OF FRONT DOORS FACING HIGH STREET TOGETHER WITH REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING WINDOWS FACING JOY STREET

Observations : RECOMMENDS: Approval.
(4, 1 against)

An earlier motion to recommend refusal, on the grounds that the current High Street doors do not require alteration and the proposed Joy Street windows would be detrimental to the conservation area, was proposed but not seconded and so fell.

78- 4 64404

Plot Ref :-

Type :- Full

Applicant Name :- Mr and Mrs P Tranter-Sharpe

Date Received :-22/01/2018

Location :- 9

Date Returned :-05/02/2018

Wordsworth Avenue
Barnstaple
EX31 1QQ

Proposal : EXTENSIONS & ALTERATIONS TO DWELLING

Observations : RECOMMENDS: Approval, subject to no adverse neighbour comments.
(NC)

79 REPORTED CONCERNS

Cllr Mrs Hunt asked whether a response had been received to previously reported concerns regarding the removal of a lift shaft at Green Lanes Shopping Centre.

Cllr Upcott reported:

- Inadequate lighting at the zebra crossing on St Georges Road, and suggested there should be lighting equivalent to that at the crossing on Fair View.
- Tree growth from the walls and roof of the Shapland and Petter building, and damage to its roof.

Potholes on Derby Road and outside Teapes Tyres in Vicarage Street, which were repeatedly being repaired but the repairs were not lasting any length of time.

Cllr Mrs Hunt reported:

- Large potholes on Fair View on the approach to the traffic light junction with Braunton Road.
- A very large pothole on Rolle Quay Road.

Cllr Roome reported potholes on Bellaire, where repeated previous repairs had not lasted for any significant duration.

RESOLVED: That the Town Clerk action these reports.
(NC)

Cllr Williams suggested that high profile action in the past had prompted a reaction by the highway authority, for example when the late Cllr David Butt had filled potholes with soil and planted plants in them to highlight the absence of repairs.

Cllr Rennles referred to a letter in the North Devon Gazette which had criticised the Town Council for its apparent lack of effort in addressing parking options in Barnstaple Town Centre. He asked that he and the Town Clerk be delegated to draft a response.

RESOLVED: That a letter defending the Town Council's actions on parking options for Barnstaple Town Centre be drafted and sent to the North Devon Gazette, by the Committee Chairman and the Town Clerk under delegation.
(4, 1 against)

The Meeting closed at : 7.47pm

Signed : _____ Chairman Date: _____

On behalf of :- Barnstaple Town Council