

**MARLBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Minutes of a meeting of the **Planning Committee** which was held on **Tuesday, 6 April 2021**
at 7pm via videoconference

PRESENT: Councillor Susie Price
Councillor Mark Cooper
Councillor Bryan Castle
Councillor Nicholas Fogg
Councillor Andrew Ross
Councillor Alexander Kirk Wilson
Councillor Guy Loosmore
Councillor Lisa Farrell
Councillor Mervyn Hall
Councillor Peter Cairns
Councillor Andy Wilson
Councillor Donald Heath
Councillor Vanessa Hillier
Councillor Jo Waltham

Chair
Town Mayor (*ex officio*)

ALSO

PRESENT: Richard Spencer-Williams
Dawn Whitehall
Councillor Stewart Dobson
Councillor Jane Davies
Councillor James Sheppard
Neil Goodwin
Plus 3 members of the public

Town Clerk
Administrator
Wiltshire Councillor – Marlborough East
Wiltshire Councillor – West Selkley
Wiltshire Councillor - Ramsbury
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PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Councillor Dobson asked whether Members would like an update following their comment about a footpath to be created between Beechwood Homes and Marlborough Business Park at the meeting on 22 February (*Min. No. 453/20 (b) Planning Application No. 21/00374/DP3*).

He explained the background: that Wiltshire Council had agreed to sell or transfer part of the old railway line to the owners of the Business Park, who intended to create more car parking space in the area. A condition of the transfer was that any change of use should still be able to accommodate the creation of a foot/cycle path between the existing Sustrans path and St Margarets Mead. Nearby residents were not keen on the proposals due to anti social behaviour in the area. There was no update available on whether there were active plans to continue the path through to St Johns Academy.

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APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from **Councillors Dow** and **Barrett-Morton**.

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DECLARATIONS

There were no declarations of interest.

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CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chair welcomed Town Clerk, **Richard Spencer-Williams**, to the meeting.

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MINUTES

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 15 March 2021 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chair

512/20 PLANNING DECISION NOTICES

Members noted the Planning Decision Notices that had been issued by Wiltshire Council.

513/20 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There were no applications to consider.

514/20 WORK TO TREES

21/02557/TPO – Hornbeam – Reduce to semi pollard by 20ft; Hornbeam – Reduce by 20%; Beech – Reduce by 20% to good growth points; Sycamore – Reduce by 20% at The Red House, Cardigan Road, Marlborough for Mr Ron Clarke

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

515/20 LICENSING APPLICATIONS

Members considered new Premises Licence Applications for:

- (i) Springs of Marlborough, 5 Old Hughenden Yard, Marlborough SN8 1LT
- (ii) Packaging Not Included, 7 Old Hughenden Yard, Marlborough SN8 1LT

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to these applications

516/20 HIGHWAYS IMPROVEMENT REQUEST

Members considered a Highways Improvement Request for new road safety improvement measures at Granham Hill:

- The applicant had suggested a number of solutions including speed reduction signs and crash barriers
- Members had noted an increase in traffic in this area, particularly with more school buses in operation due to Coronavirus restrictions, and that the road was narrow causing large vehicles to use the verge in order to pass safely with the result that the verge was becoming eroded
- That the Town Council had highlighted highways safety as part of their reasoning for objecting to the development at Canning Place
- That Wiltshire Council Highways Officers had not raised any concerns in considering the original application
- Whether, having avoided contributing to the town via S106 or CIL moneys, the developer should be asked to contribute to the cost of any alterations to protect residents at its own development
- Whether the Town Council should contribute to the cost of any changes in light of the above

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council supports the request to address safety concerns for residents of Canning Place and wants to feed back to Wiltshire Council that highways safety had been raised by the Town Council as an issue at the planning stage

517/20 TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

Members noted that under Section 14(1) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Wiltshire Council had issued Order TTRO 7154 to close temporarily to all traffic:

C6 (Part), Ramsbury from its junction with Stone Lane for a distance of approximately 140 metres in an easterly direction to enable BT to carry out overhead works between 09:30 and 15:30 on 4 May 2021

518/20 CLIMATE EMERGENCY WORKING GROUP

Members had a very interesting meeting with Councillor Alex Kay, Deputy Mayor at Bradford on Avon who had shared lots of knowledge and ideas about the approach taken in Bradford on Avon, projects that had been launched and collaborative working. Another meeting of the

working group was scheduled so that members could collate ideas and information together to hand on to the next Council to take forward.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

The Steering Group was working towards a Regulation 15 submission together with consultants O'NeillHomer and Wiltshire Council. It was unlikely that a referendum could be scheduled before the Autumn.

The meeting closed at 7.35 pm

Signed: Date:
Chair