

BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of Town Council Planning Meeting
Held on Monday 2nd March 2020 at 7:00pm in the Corn Exchange



PRESENT

Cllr P Clark – Chairman
Cllr L Lindsay – Chairman of Council
Cllr A Cross
Cllr H White
Cllr S Hitchings
Cllr J Stayt

Cllr R Carter – Vice Chairman
Cllr L Hitchings – Vice Chairman of Council
Cllr P Osborne
Cllr C Stevens
Cllr D Russell
Cllr N Lacey-Clarke

IN ATTENDANCE

Assistant Town Clerk

Nicci Brown – Press

88. PUBLIC SESSION

- 88.1 Cllr Carter gave an update from Electoral Services regarding the Blandford Plus Neighbourhood Plan Referendum. Councillors cannot promote a ‘Yes’ campaign as a Town Councillor but can do so as an individual, but they are not allowed to use any council resources.
- 88.2 Cllr Carter informed Councillors that he and the Assistant Town Clerk are attending the Dorset Local Plan workshop on 6th March in Dorchester. If Councillors have any questions, they should please let him know beforehand.

89. APOLOGIES

Cllr B Quayle
Cllr H Mieville

Cllr R Holmes
Cllr C Jacques

90. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION

None were received.

91. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 3RD FEBRUARY 2020

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Stayt, SECONDED by Cllr Cross and AGREED unanimously that the Minutes be APPROVED and SIGNED.

92. APPENDIX A – NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The paper was noted (see Appendix A).

- 92.1 2/2019/1821/LBC – 5th February 2020 – Mr D Hussein – 5 Damory Street – Erect 1 No. single storey extension and carry out associated internal and external alterations (regularisation of works).

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Lacey-Clarke, SECONDED by Cllr Lindsay and AGREED unanimously that

The Town Council has no objections, as long as the application conforms with listed building consent.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

92. **APPENDIX A – NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS (CONT.)**

- 92.2 2/2019/1316/REM – 7th February 2020 – Drew Smith Homes and Homes England – The Brewery, Bournemouth Road, Blandford St Mary – Erect 63 No. dwellings with garaging, parking, landscaping and associated infrastructure. (Reserved matters application (Phase1) to determine layout, scale, appearance and landscaping, following grant of Outline Planning Permission No. 2/2017/1706/VARIA).

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Carter, SECONDED by Cllr L Hitchings and AGREED unanimously that

The Town Council notes the modifications but still objects to the application due to the lack of a LEAP play area, with children having to cross a road or river to get to the nearest one. There is also a lack of access for disabled vehicles.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

- 92.3 2/2020/0126/HOUSE – 13th February 2020 – Mr & Mrs Vincent – 16 Hambleton Close – Erect 2 No. First floor extensions.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Lacey-Clarke, SECONDED by Cllr Stayt and AGREED unanimously that

The Town Council has no objections to the application as there is no loss of amenity to adjoining buildings.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

- 92.4 2/2020/0151/FUL – 19th February 2020 – Miss Stringer – Deverill House, Flat 1 Salisbury Road – Carry out external and internal alterations to convert 2 No. flats to 1 No. 4 bedroom dwelling. Retain 2 No. parking spaces.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Lacey-Clarke, SECONDED by Cllr Lindsay and AGREED unanimously that

The Town Council has no objections to the application as it is retaining and re-instating previous features. The application is in line with Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan Policy B11.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

93. **APPENDIX B – DORSET COUNCIL DECISIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND APPLICATIONS AWAITING DECISIONS**

The paper was displayed (see Appendix B).

94. **SITE VISITS/DORSET COUNCIL PLANNING MEETINGS**

None.

95. **TO CONSIDER RESPONDING TO SHAFTESBURY'S NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN – REG 16 CONSULTATION** www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/shaftesbury-neighbourhood-plan

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Carter, SECONDED by Cllr Stayt and AGREED unanimously that

The Town Council supports the efforts of Shaftesbury Town Council to establish a Neighbourhood Plan. The Town Council fully supports the policies and feels that if they are implemented, they will have a positive impact to Shaftesbury and the northern area of Dorset.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

96. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

96.1 Consolidation By Boots UK Limited In Blandford Forum - NHS England has considered the application to consolidate the small Boots in Salisbury Street with the bigger Boots store and the application has been granted.

Cllr Lacey-Clarke advised that there will be no license for another pharmacy in the town. The local surgeries were of the opinion that Blandford Forum doesn't need another dispensary.

96.2 Statement Of Community Involvement - Dorset Council adopted the new Statement of Community Involvement (SCI) on 28th January 2020. The statement is required by the Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) and sets out how and when Dorset Council will involve the community as part of its planning duties. This statement replaces all the existing SCIs previously adopted by the predecessor Councils.

The meeting closed at 7:23pm.

SIGNED: DATED: