



BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL

To: All Town Councillors
Members of the Public & Press

Dorset Council Councillors

Dear Member

TOWN COUNCIL PLANNING MEETING

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Town Council Planning Committee which will be held in the **Corn Exchange**, Market Place, Blandford Forum on **Monday 4th November 2019 at 7.00pm** to consider the following items.

Linda Scott-Giles
Town Clerk
29th October 2019

A G E N D A

Prior to consideration of the following Agenda, there will be a democratic quarter of an hour, which may be extended at the discretion of the Committee, during which time members of the public may speak. During the course of the meeting, members of the public and our elected representatives from the Dorset Council may indicate they wish to speak, and, at the discretion of the Chairman, and with the approval of the Members, they may be allowed to do so on points of information only. The Committee may on occasion invite members of the public to comment on specific issues where points of information or their particular knowledge on a subject might prove of benefit to the Committee. Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, religion, belief or disability), Crime & Disorder, Health and Safety and Human Rights. Disabled access is available.

1. Public Session
2. Apologies
3. To receive any Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations
4. Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th October 2019
5. [Appendix A – New Planning Applications](#) (refer to draft Appendix A attached)
6. Appendix B – Dorset Council Decisions on Planning Applications and Applications Awaiting Decisions (to be displayed at the meeting)
7. Site Visits/Dorset Council Planning Meetings
8. [To consider joining the Rural/Market Town Group, established by the Rural Services Network](#) (paper attached)
9. Clerk's Report & Correspondence

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PLANNING APPENDIX A – NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS
Planning Meeting on Monday 4th November 2019

	Application & Date	Application Details	Comments
1	2/2019/1309/HOUSE Mrs B Blake 4 th October 2019	Southlea, 40 Larksmead Erect 1 No. first floor extension.	
2	2/2019/1262/FUL Mr & Mrs Roper 7 th October 2019	10 Stevens Close Erect 1 No. dwelling, create new vehicular and pedestrian access and 1 No. parking space.	
3	2/2019/1196/LBC The Charity of William Williams 10 th October 2019	73A East Street Re-pointing and re-rendering to areas of failed pointing and render and carry out associated external alterations.	
4	2/2019/1316/REM Drew Smith Homes And Homes England 18 th October 2019	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).	
5	2/2019/1104/LBC Trustees of JRF Crouch Will Trust 21 st October 2019	13-15 Market Place Form additional bedroom to consented dwelling and carry out associated internal alterations.	
6	2/2019/1103/FUL Trustees of JRF Crouch Will Trust 21 st October 2019	13-15 Market Place Form additional bedroom to consented dwelling.	
7	2/2019/1124/HOUSE Mr B Hopkins 22 nd October 2019	35 Gurkha Road Erect single storey extension (demolish existing porch).	

	Application & Date	Application Details	Comments
8	2/2018/1590/REM Bellway Homes (Wessex) Ltd 16 th November 2018	Land South West Of, Blandford Forum Bypass, Blandford St Mary, Dorset Erect 89 No. dwellings with garages, parking and associated infrastructure. (Reserved matters application (Phase 1) to determine appearance, landscaping, layout and scale, following grant of Outline Planning Permission No. 2/2015/1935/OUT).	

Previous Applications:

		Town Council	Dorset Council
2/2019/0612/FUL Mr & Mrs Roper 6 th June 2019	10 Stevens Close Erect 1 No. dwelling, create new vehicular and pedestrian access and 1 No. parking space.	The Town Council objects to the application due to overdevelopment of the area.	Withdrawn
2/2017/1706/VARIA Mr Bruce Voss 4 th December 2017	The Brewery, Bournemouth Road Blandford St Mary Develop land by the erection of residential development, comprising a mix of new buildings and restoration, extension and conversion of existing brewery buildings. Modify existing / create vehicular / pedestrian access points, access roads and car parking; ancillary engineering and other works including drainage proposals, raising ground levels, landscaping and elevation changes to existing brewery and commercial buildings – outline application with access to be approved for whole site, together with scale, layout and appearance for the restoration, extension and conversion of existing brewery buildings for residential use and for elevation changes to existing brewery and commercial buildings (demolish	The Town Council noted the application but did not vote on it.	Approved

	<p>existing buildings). (Outline application to determine access). Proposed amendment to condition wording to allow a phased approach for delivery of demolition and development works. Application to vary (i) Condition 4 in relation to the approved drawings insofar as they relate to the development of the rear wing of the existing brewery building, (ii) Conditions 3, 6-13, 20, 23-28 & 30 insofar as they relate to the triggers for commencement of works in relation to the phased delivery of demolition, development and occupation, as described in the applicant's submitted document "Planning Conditions Schedule ref 2/2015/1269/OUT – Proposed Amended Wording", and (iii) updated plan or report references in conditions 14, 22 and 26.</p>		
<p>2/2015/1935/OUT Bellway Homes 23rd December 2015</p>	<p>Land South West Of Blandford Forum Bypass Blandford St Mary Develop land by the erection of up to 350 dwellings and community uses (commercial and non-commercial), including vehicle access from A350, public open spaces, play areas, car parking, including ancillary works and associated infrastructure, (outline application to determine access).</p>	<p>The Town Council has no objections to the application providing the pedestrian access from the development site to the Town Centre is re-assessed, as a toucan crossing over the bypass is not considered acceptable.</p>	<p>Approved</p>

To consider joining the Rural/Market Town Group, established by the Rural Services Network

Background

Rural Services Network (www.rsnonline.org.uk) work with over 120 of England's principal local authorities and 170 other organisations with a rural interest to campaign on rural issues. The Network is a champion for rural services, fighting for a fair deal and social and economic viability. They are seeking to establish a Rural/Market Towns Grouping to sit within its network and to allow a conduit into their services, policies and operation.

Further Information

The group is to provide a greater focus on issues from a local rural centre/market town, harnessing the argument of the rural areas and work as part of an extensive and growing network.

The aim is to reinforce the Call on Government for consideration of issues from a rural perspective, and the Government Rural Strategy should include:

- Thriving economies
- Broadband access
- Transport
- Housing affordability
- Health and Social Care
- Education
- Devolving decisions to local authorities

The target is to form a Rural Market Town Group of approximately 125 town in 2019 who can share best practices, work together and establish and pursue common goals.

Other towns in Dorset who have been contacted are Verwood, Swanage, Sherborne and Portland.

The fee is £150 p.a., with the intention of two meetings a year, seeking to work remotely so attendance is not necessary. Member local councils will set the agenda and direction of the meetings.

Recommendation

Councillors should consider the information and decide if the Town Council should be part of this new group.

Sybille Maddock
Assistant Town Clerk
7th October 2019