

BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of Town Council Planning Meeting
Held on Monday 11th March 2019 at 7:00pm

PRESENT

Cllr N Lacey-Clarke – Chairman
Cllr R Carter – Chairman of Council
Cllr S Hitchings
Cllr P Clark
Cllr L Lindsay
Cllr Jackie Stayt
Cllr H Mieville

Cllr C Stevens – Vice Chairman
Cllr John Stayt
Cllr H White
Cllr D Robinson
Cllr P Osborne
Cllr B Quayle

IN ATTENDANCE

Town Clerk

Assistant Town Clerk

Nicci Brown – Press

87. PUBLIC SESSION

87.1 Cllr Carter has received various messages from residents about the approved planning application for Nordon, 2/2018/0981/OUT, and has been asked if the Town Council would take further action. He has advised that this is not normal practice but would be prepared to draft a letter to the Chairman of Planning. Cllr S Hitchings believes a letter needs to be sent to the Secretary of State as North Dorset District Council has not listened to three statutory consultees who have objected to the application. It was agreed that this matter would be discussed under Appendix B.

88. APOLOGIES

Cllr L Hitchings

Cllr H Galpin

89. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

Cllrs Lacey-Clarke and Jackie Stayt declared that taking part in the discussions and votes on new planning applications at this meeting, has been done on the understanding that their decisions are based on the information available at this time and that they reserve the right to change those decisions when the applications are discussed at North Dorset District Council.

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Cllr John Stayt declared an interest in item 5.4 as he is the Parish and District Councillor for that ward.

90. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 4TH FEBRUARY 2019

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

91. APPENDIX A – NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The paper was noted (see Appendix A).

- 91.1 2/2018/1836/FUL – Mr M Foot – 28th January 2019 – 37A Dorset Street – Erect 2 No. dwellings and convert storage buildings at rear into garden rooms/stores (demolish existing frontage building).

It was PROPOSED by Cllr S Hitchings, SECONDED by Cllr Jackie Stayt and AGREED (12 in favour, 1 abstention) that

The Town Council objects to the application due to overdevelopment, lack of car parking and requests for the conservation officer to investigate this application.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

- 91.2 2/2019/0108/HOUSE – Mr Camp – 14th February 2019 – 47 Queens Road – Erect single storey rear extension (demolish existing conservatory).

It was PROPOSED by Cllr White, SECONDED by Cllr Robinson and AGREED unanimously that

The Town Council has no objection to the application as it is in keeping with the local area.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

- 91.3 2/2019/0092/HOUSE – Mr K Strafford – 14th February 2019 – 8 Anne Close – Erect single storey rear extension and single storey extension to side of garage linking with existing dwelling (demolish existing single storey extension).

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Mieville, SECONDED by Cllr John Stayt but NOT AGREED (5 in favour, 8 against) that the Town Council has no objection to the application.

It was then PROPOSED by Cllr White, SECONDED by Cllr Robinson and AGREED (8 in favour, 5 against) that

The Town Council objects to the application due to overdevelopment.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

- 91.4 2/2018/1590/REM – Bellway Homes (Wessex) Ltd – 18th February 2019 – Land South West of, Blandford Forum Bypass, Blandford St Mary – Erect 203 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).

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Lacey-Clarke, SECONDED by Cllr Mieville and AGREED (12 in favour, 1 abstention) that

The Town Council has no objection to the design and layout of the application but requests for the crossing to be reassessed and for the speed limit to be reduced to 30mph. It also requests for the warnings about the crossing to be recorded as the Town Council feels that this will be a problem in the future.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

91. APPENDIX A – NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS (CONT.)

- 91.5 2/2019/0067/FUL – Le Sage Associates – 20th February 2019 – Unit 2, Former 44-48 East Street – Change of use from Retail (Class A1) to restaurant (Class A3). Carry out internal alterations to increase size of unit.

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

The Town Council has no objection to the application due to limited impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

The Chairman took the decision to take agenda item 5.6 and 5.7 together.

- 91.6 2/2019/0212/LBC – Mr R Budd – 40a Salisbury Street – Erect single storey rear extension and carry out associated internal and external alterations.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr White, SECONDED by Cllr Jackie Stayt and AGREED (12 in favour, 1 abstention) that

The Town Council has no objection to the application due to limited impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

- 91.7 2/2019/0211/HOUSE – Mr R Budd – 26th February 2019 – 40A Salisbury Street – Erect 1 No. single storey rear extension.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr White, SECONDED by Cllr Jackie Stayt and AGREED (12 in favour, 1 abstention) that

The Town Council has no objection to the application due to limited impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

- 91.8 2/2019/0163/VARIA – Mr A Thomas – 27th February 2019 – 28 Larksmead – Erect first floor side extension. Variation of condition no 2 of planning Permission 2/2018/1025/HOUSE Amend approved drawings Proposed Floor plan_Elevation no DR02_DR05 – Condition Number(s): Variation to Design – Condition(s) Removal: Wish to alter the design.

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

The Town Council has no objection to the application as there is limited impact on the amenity of neighbouring properties.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

- 91.9 2/2019/0134/LBC – N/A – 4th March 2019 – 24 Market Place – Repair existing shopfront and address damp penetration, Reinforce and repairs to supporting beam, repair garden wall and carry out associated internal and external alterations.

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

91. APPENDIX A – NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS (CONT.)

The Town Council has no objection to the application, subject to the approval of the conservation officer.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

92. **APPENDIX B – NDDC DECISIONS ON PLANNING APPLICATIONS AND APPLICATIONS AWAITING DECISIONS**

The paper was displayed.

Cllr Clark left the meeting at 7.46pm and returned at 7.48pm.
Cllr Lindsay left the meeting at 7.49pm and returned at 7.52pm.

It was PROPOSED by Cllr S Hitchings, SECONDED by Cllr Carter and AGREED (11 in favour, 2 abstentions) that

The Chairman of Council sends a letter to the Secretary of State, using information from Historic England and other sources, asking them to call in the decision relating to the Norden planning application, sharing it with Councillors for additional comments. A copy will also be sent to the local Member of Parliament, Historic England and the Local Press.

ACTION: CLLR CARTER

93. **SITE VISITS/NDDC PLANNING MEETINGS**

Cllr Lacey-Clarke reported that an emergency planning committee has been formed, from members of the various Council Partnerships, from 1st April to 2nd May 2019.

94. **TO CONSIDER RESPONDING TO NEWQUAY TOWN COUNCIL NATIONAL PARKING ENFORCEMENT SURVEY**

The paper was noted (see Appendix B).

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

The Town Council completes the questionnaire and responds to Newquay Town Council.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

95. **TO CONSIDER NOMINATING A REPRESENTATIVE TO MAKE A STATEMENT REGARDING THE MOTION PUT FORWARD BY CLLR BARTLETT FROM WIMBORNE TOWN COUNCIL ASKING FOR ROBUST ENGAGEMENT, ON AN ONGOING BASIS, IN RESPECT OF FUTURE SERVICE PROVISION BY THE DORSET COUNCIL (REFER TO EMAIL SENT TO COUNCILLORS BY THE TOWN CLERK)**

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Mieville, SECONDED by Cllr Carter and AGREED (11 in favour, 2 abstentions) that

The Town Council supports the full motion, but is unable to have a representative present.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

96. **TO CONSIDER CONSENTING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. TERRY KEMMANN-LANE AS EXAMINER FOR THE BLANDFORD + NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

The paper was noted (see Appendix C).

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

The Town Council consents to the appointment of Mr. Terry Kemmann-Lane as Examiner for the Blandford + Neighbourhood Plan.

ACTION: TOWN CLERK

97. **CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

- 97.1 Future High Street Fund – Hugh de Iongh, Community led Development Officer at DCC, thanked the Town Clerk for the submission made within very tight timescales. They received four strong submissions from the main towns. It has been a difficult decision, but Gillingham has been selected to go forward to submit a full Expression of Interest to the programme. He states that Members commented that each of the submissions were based on valuable work that would bring significant benefits to the local economy and to communities, and that this is valuable work we must ensure is carried forward and supported in the new Dorset Council. There will also be the heritage element of the Future High Street Fund, yet to be announced, and Mr de Iongh will continue to scan for other funding sources (the Stronger Towns 'Brexit mitigation' fund proposed by the Governemnt in the last couple of days has already been mentioned). And there will be a second round for the Future High Streets Fund sometime from 2020 onwards.
- 97.2 Certificate of Appreciation – Councillors are reminded to put forward their nominations to the Town Clerk by the end of March.
- 97.3 Blandford Heights Industrial Estate road closure – All vehicles will be prohibited from proceeding along Plough Estate and Littletowns to enable Dorset County Council to carry out carriageway resurfacing works from 14th March to 25th March 2019.
- 97.4 Tin Pot Lane – The proposed closing of Tin Pot Lane from 21st March 2019 to 25th March 2019 has been cancelled due to conflicting works in the area.

The meeting closed at 8:19pm.

SIGNED: DATED:

