

**BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Town Council Planning Meeting**  
**Held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2019 at 7:00pm in the Corn Exchange**

**PRESENT**

Cllr P Clark – Chairman  
Cllr N Lacey-Clarke  
Cllr P Osborne  
Cllr L Lindsay  
Cllr J Stayt  
Cllr C Jacques  
Cllr D Russell

Cllr R Carter – Vice Chairman  
Cllr C Stevens  
Cllr L Hitchings  
Cllr S Hitchings  
Cllr R Holmes  
Cllr A Cross  
Cllr H Mieville

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Town Clerk  
Nicci Brown – Press

Assistant Town Clerk

**1. PUBLIC SESSION**

No-one in attendance.

**2. APOLOGIES**

Cllr B Quayle

Cllr H White

**3. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

Cllr Lacey-Clarke declared that as a member of the Dorset Council Planning Committee he will be taking part in the discussions but will not vote on any planning application.

**4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 15<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2019**

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Lindsay, SECONDED by Cllr Carter and AGREED (10 in favour, 4 non-votes) that the Minutes be APPROVED and SIGNED.

**5. APPENDIX A – NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The paper was noted (see Appendix A).

**5.1 2/2019/0386/HOUSE – 16<sup>th</sup> April 2019 – Mr M Ballard – 15 Orchard Street – Erect detached double garage (demolish existing retrospective).**

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Carter, SECONDED by Cllr Holmes and AGREED (9 in favour, 1 against, 4 abstentions) that

**The Town Council objects to the application due to overdevelopment in a conservation area as well as the size, structure and materials used.**

**ACTION: TOWN CLERK**

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

5.2 2/2019/0473/FUL – 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019 – Dr Laura Artis Ashurst - Grainstore, Shaftesbury Lane – Change of use of ‘Office 2’ (B1) to (D1)

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Carter, SECONDED by Cllr Stayt and AGREED (12 in favour, 2 abstentions) that

**The Town Council has no objections to the application as it is in keeping with change of land use in the B+ Neighbourhood Plan, not changing the footprint and is assisting to sustain the local economy.**

**ACTION: TOWN CLERK**

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

The paper was displayed (see Appendix B).

Cllr Mieville enquired when the first Dorset Council Planning meeting will take place. Cllr Stayt advised that it is on 30<sup>th</sup> May.

Cllr Lacey-Clarke commented that the document needs to be updated to reflect the change to the Dorset Council.

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

None

8. **TO CONSIDER RESPONDING TO THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON THE PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE MINERAL SITES PLAN**

The consultation has been noted and Councillors can respond individually if they wish.

9. **TO CONSIDER RESPONDING TO NALC ON THE VEHICLE OPERATOR LICENSING SYSTEM CONSULTATION**

The paper was noted (see Appendix C).

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

**Question 1: The Town Council agrees with changing PSV operator license procedures so that applicants can have operational approval at the earliest opportunity.**

**Question 3: The Town Council agrees that introducing formal tribunal rules will be beneficial to the Traffic Commissioner’s tribunal functions.**

**ACTION: TOWN CLERK**

10. **CLERK’S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

10.1 Mayor’s Charity and Chaplain confirmation – The incoming Mayor, Cllr Lindsay has nominated The Blandford Community Kitchen as her charity for the year 2019/20 and Reverend Canon Jonathan Triffitt as her Chaplain.

**10. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE (CONT.)**

- 10.2 Temporary Road Closure – The road closure of the left-hand lane proceeding from Salisbury Street to Salisbury Road at the Badger Cross roundabout has been extended and it is anticipated for the works to be completed by 24<sup>th</sup> May.
- 10.3 Temporary Road Closures – All vehicles will be prohibited from proceeding along various side roads off of Salisbury Road. This impacts Edward Street (29<sup>th</sup> April – 17<sup>th</sup> May), Albert Street (13<sup>th</sup> May – 3<sup>rd</sup> June), Victoria Road (28<sup>th</sup> May – 17<sup>th</sup> June), Fairfield Bungalows (28<sup>th</sup> May – 17<sup>th</sup> June) and Queens Road (10<sup>th</sup> June – 28<sup>th</sup> June). This order will enable SGN to undertake gas works along Salisbury Road.
- 10.4 Council Diary – The Bookings system has been updated to reflect the new date for the Annual Meeting and Mayor Making in 2020. To note, a regular hirer will have to be cancelled to accommodate the Annual Meeting on the Tuesday following the Bank Holiday.
- 10.5 Mayor Making Rehearsal – Councillors are welcome to stay after this meeting to receive a briefing on the Mayor Making ceremony.

The meeting closed at 7:25pm.

SIGNED: ..... DATED: .....

