

**BLANDFORD FORUM TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of Town Council Planning Meeting**  
**Held on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 7:16pm in the Corn Exchange**



**PRESENT**

Cllr R Carter – Vice Chairman	Cllr N Lacey-Clarke – Vice Chairman of Council
Cllr S Hitchings	Cllr P Osborne
Cllr R Holmes	Cllr S Chapman
Cllr C Jacques	Cllr H Miéville
Cllr L Hitchings	

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Operations Manager	Committee Clerk (via Microsoft Teams)
	Mr K Stenning (via Microsoft Teams)

The Vice Chairman, Cllr Carter was Acting Chairman in Cllr Cross's absence, and he asked Cllr Holmes to support him as Acting Vice Chairman, which was agreed by Councillors.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm however it was agreed to delay the start and wait for Cllr L Hitchings and Cllr Miéville to arrive, so the meeting would be quorate, and the meeting started at 7:16pm.

**46. PUBLIC SESSION**

Nothing was raised in the Public Session.

**47. APOLOGIES**

Cllr K Herbert	Cllr C Stevens
Cllr L Lindsay	Cllr P Clark
Cllr B Quayle	Cllr H White
Cllr A Cross	

**48. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION**

None

**49. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 6<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2023**

It was PROPOSED by Cllr Holmes, SECONDED by Cllr Lacey-Clarke and AGREED (7 in favour and 2 abstentions) that the Minutes be APPROVED and SIGNED.

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

The paper was noted (see Appendix A).

**50.1 [P/HOU/2023/05988](#) – 6 Old Oak Gardens Damory Court Street Blandford Forum Dorset DT11 7QX**

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

**The Town Council has no objection to this planning application as it is in keeping with the conservation area. Blandford + NP Policy B1 and B10 apply; in compliance with Design Code CA4.**

**ACTION: TOWN CLERK**

**50. APPENDIX A – NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS (Cont.)**

**50.2 P/FUL/2023/06301 – 8 East Street Blandford Forum Dorset DT11 7DR**

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

**The Town Council has no objection to this planning application as it is in keeping with and there is no perceived harm to) the conservation area. Blandford + NP Policy B1 and B10 apply. The application is in compliance with Design Code CA1.**

**ACTION: TOWN CLERK**

**50.3 P/LBC/2023/06286 – 1 & 2 Georgian Passage East Street Blandford Forum DT11 7DX**

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

**The Town Council has no objection to this planning application. Blandford + NP Policy B1 and B10 apply; in compliance with: Design Codes CA1, CA14 and CA15.**

**ACTION: TOWN CLERK**

**50.4 P/HOU/2023/06419 – 5 Cadley Close Blandford Forum Dorset DT11 7RY**

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

**The Town Council has no objection to this planning application. There is no perceivable loss of amenity to neighbours. Blandford + NP Policy B1 and B10 apply; in compliance with: Design Code CA4, code 11.**

**ACTION: TOWN CLERK**

**50.5 P/CLP/2023/05933 – 1 Maple Tree Close Blandford Forum DT11 7FU**

Certificate of Lawful Use for information only. The application was noted and Blandford + NP Policy B1 and B10 applies, Design Code CA4 is engaged.

**50.6 P/TRC/2023/06587 – 69 East Street Blandford Forum DT11 7DX**

This paper was noted, for information only.

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

The paper was emailed to Councillors prior to the meeting (Appendix B) and was noted. Cllr Holmes expressed her concern that we've still not heard with regards to the change of use at Deer Park and asked if we should chase Dorset Council. Cllr Carter agrees he is baffled as to why it is taken so long. Cllr Lacey-Clarke explained that Dorset Council is not holding it up. As it's gone to appeal the decision rests with the Planning Inspectorate.

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

None

**53. COMMITTEE CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

Nothing to report.

The meeting closed at 7.34pm.

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