

LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning & Highways Extra Ordinary Committee meeting held on Monday 29th July 2020 commencing at 19:00 hours remotely via Zoom.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Rosser (Chair), Williams (Vice-Chair)(19.46), Herschy, Parris, Rumsey and Thomas.

OFFICER PRESENT: Town Clerk.

PH46/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were received.

PH47/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr. Herschy – Application 202042 Neighbour

PH48/20 HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL MEMBERS

There were no Herefordshire Council members in attendance.

PH49/20 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No requests for dispensation had been received.

PH50/20 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No members of the public were present.

PH51/20 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on 13th July 2020 be agreed and will be signed as a correct record when social distancing restrictions are lifted.

PH52/20 PLANNING

(a) Planning applications – It was **RESOLVED** to submit the following comments to Herefordshire Council:

Application no & site address: Planning Consultation - **202042** - 40a Broad Street, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 8BS

Description: T1 - Spruce tree - Fell/dismantle to ground level. T2 - Holly tree - Fell. T3 - Silver Birch tree - Fell. T4 - Ash tree - Fell/dismantle to ground level.

Applicant(s): Mr Keith Edmonds

Grid ref: OS 349675, 259273

Application type: Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

Comment: Objection for the following reasons:

- The trees are in the Conservation area and form part of a green corridor along the old burgrave wall.
- It is stated that they are a hazard to the public in the application. If maintained appropriately, the risk would be lowered.
- Our tree officer, Cllr. Rumsey, has visited the site and advises against removal.
- The trees provide a haven for wildlife and they are believed to have bats roosting in them.

- It conflicts with the NDP objective 1. x. Conserve and enhance the natural and historic environments.
- Replacement species identified, should this permission be given, are not appropriate. The tree family Acer covers such a wide and varied group, most of them inappropriate and Laurel does not seem to be an appropriate replacement either.

Application no & site address: Planning Consultation - **201970** - Flat 2, 14 Church Street, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 8NQ

Description: Proposed replacement of a timber bay window to the ground floor flat, at the rear.

Applicant(s): Mr Tony Smith

Grid ref: OS 349732, 259144

Application type: Listed Building Consent

Comment: No Objection

Application no & site address: Planning Consultation - **201377** - Orchard adjacent to Sunnybank, Cholstrey, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 9AN

Description: Proposed widening of an existing access and improvements to drainage arrangements by using a 10 inch concrete drain pipe.

Applicant(s): Mrs Claire Beddoes

Grid ref: OS 346838, 259235

Application type: Planning Permission

Comment: No Objection

Application no & site address: Planning Consultation - 202086 - The Waltons, Ginhall Lane, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 9AH

Description: Proposed ground floor extension

Applicant(s): Mr & Mrs P Davies

Grid ref: OS 347792, 259437

Application type: Full Householder

Comment: No Objection

PH53/20 DECISIONS

The following planning decisions received from Herefordshire Council were noted. These were presented at the meeting:

Leominster East

Number: P193872/F

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Refused

Type: Planning Permission

Location: 6 Corn Square Leominster Herefordshire

Proposal: Change of use of existing office suites to form 2 no. 2 bedroom apartments.

Comment: No objection subject to the comments submitted by the Conservation Officer being addressed.

Leominster East**Number:** P193873/L**Current status:** Determination Made**Decision:** Approved with Conditions**Type:** Listed Building Consent**Location:** 6 Corn Square Leominster Herefordshire**Proposal:** Change of use of existing office suites to form 2 no. 2 bedroom apartments**Comment:** No objection subject to the comments submitted by the Conservation Officer being addressed**Leominster East****Number:** P201191/L**Current status:** Determination Made**Decision:** Approved with Conditions**Type:** Listed Building Consent**Location:** Broadward Lodge Broadward Leominster Herefordshire HR6 8QG**Proposal:** Proposed replacement windows and door together with replacement of defective conservatory roof.**Comment:** No Objection**Leominster North & Rural****Number:** P200642/F**Current status:** Determination Made**Decision:** Approved with Conditions**Type:** Planning Permission**Location:** 31 Bridge Street Leominster Herefordshire HR6 8DU**Proposal:** Proposed loading bay attached to the existing building**Comment:** No Objection**Leominster North & Rural****Number:** P200920/F**Current status:** Determination Made**Decision:** Withdrawn**Type:** Planning Permission**Location:** Portley House Leominster Herefordshire HR6 0AA**Proposal:** Proposed demolition of existing warehouse and provision of compound for self storage units and/or caravans.**Comment:** No Objection**PH54/20 HIGHWAYS AND PARKING MATTERS**

- (a) **Highway and Parking Matters** – Concerns have been raised by several local residents over the safety of The Royal Oak on South Street/Etnam Street and the former Funeral Directors at the top of West Street/ Dishley Street. Both will be reported to Building Control at Herefordshire Council.

PH55/20 LICENCING MATTERS

Concerns have been raised by local residents regarding the late licencing of some venues in the town and the resulting anti-social behaviour and vandalism at around 4am in the morning. After discussion it was agreed that the clerk

should report this to the Licencing Officer at West Mercia Police and bring it up at Team Leominster.

PH56/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday 10th August 2020 commencing at 7:00pm either remotely via Zoom or in the Council Offices, 11 Corn Square, Leominster, HR6 8YP depending on the lifting of social distancing restrictions by central government.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 19.54 hours.

CHAIR:

DATE: