

LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on Monday 6th June 2022 commencing at 19:00 hours in the Council Chamber, 11 Corn Square, Leominster HR6 8YP

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Herschy (Chair), Cllr Thomas (Vice-Chair), Bartlett, Hanna, Jacquet, Marsh and Williams.

OFFICERS PRESENT: Town Clerk, Democratic Services Officer.

PH22/22 ELECTION OF CHAIR

Nominations were invited for the position of Chair of the Committee.

Cllr Herschy was proposed by Cllr Bartlett and seconded by Cllr Jacquet. There being no other nominations, Cllr Herschy was formally elected Chair of the Planning & Highways Committee.

PH23/22 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR

Nominations were invited for the position of Vice-Chair of the Committee.

Cllr Thomas was proposed by Cllr Williams and seconded by Cllr Hanna. There being no other nominations, Cllr Thomas was formally elected Vice-Chair of the Planning & Highways Committee.

PH24/22 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted by the Committee for Cllr Rosser (Work).

PH25/22 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declaration of interest was received:
Planning Application 221697 – Cllr Hanna (Neighbour)

PH26/22 HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Committee **RESOLVED** that the participation of those Town Councillors who are also members of Herefordshire Council in both the debate and any subsequent vote on matters contained in this agenda was on the basis that the views expressed were preliminary views taking account of the information that was currently available to the Town Council and that County Councillors reserved their final views on all applications until they were in full possession of all relevant information both for and against.

PH27/22 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No requests for dispensation had been received.

PH28/22 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No members of the public were present.

PH29/22 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

PH 18/22 (a) Planning Application 221249 – Committee noted that no reasons had been submitted to support their objection to the application. Herefordshire Council has requested reasons to support the objection. It was **RESOLVED** that a reply is submitted under Delegated Powers to the Clerk. The reply will be ratified at the next Planning & Highways Committee meeting on 4th July 2022. (Proposed: Cllr Thomas, Seconded: Cllr Williams Unanimous).

PH19/22 Planning Application 213943 – Committee noted that TPO 661 Land South of Barons Cross Leominster (Provisional) was served on 27th May 2022 to protect three oak trees on the site.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on 9th May 2022 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

PH30/22 PLANNING

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

Application no & site address: Planning Consultation – **221394** – 24 High Street, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 8LZ

Description: Proposed change of use for part of ground floor and part of first floor to provide a 3 bedroom residential unit.

Applicant(s): Mr O Irdem

Grid ref: 349614, 259044

Application type: Planning Permission

Comment: No Objection

(Proposed: Cllr Williams, Seconded: Cllr Thomas Unanimous).

Application no & site address: Planning Re-consultation – **220273** – 41,43 & 45 Pump Piece, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 8HR

Description: Proposed change of use from registered care home (C2) to dwelling houses C3(B). Single storey rear extension and front elevation alterations to no 41 and associated disabled access modifications, including access ramps to front and rear gardens.

Applicant(s): Mr Deepesh Patel

Grid ref: 349046, 258764

Application type: Planning Permission

Comment: No Objection

(Proposed: Cllr Hanna, Seconded: Cllr Thomas

For: 6

Abstention: 1 (Cllr Marsh)).

Application no & site address: Planning Consultation – **221583** – 15 South Street, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 8JA

Description: Proposed re-roofing and repairs. Replacement of Victorian pattern first floor windows to Georgian pattern sash windows. Removal of existing roof

space access dormers and changing to 4no. metal glazed access rooflights. Changing inner roof plane velux rooflight with metal conservation type. Installation of metal glazed access rooflight to the front roof face to allow access to the parapet gutter for maintenance. Upgrading insulation of roof and replacing inappropriate Tenno plastic roof underlay with breathable underlay.

Applicant(s): Mr Philip Cornell

Grid ref: 349651, 258948

Application type: Full Householder

Comment: No Objection

(Proposed: Cllr Thomas, Seconded: Cllr Marsh Unanimous).

Application no & site address: Planning Consultation – **221584** – 15 South Street, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 8JA

Description: Proposed re-roofing and repairs. Replacement of Victorian pattern first floor windows to Georgian pattern sash windows. Removal of existing roof space access dormers and changing to 4no. metal glazed access rooflights. Changing inner roof plane velux rooflight with metal conservation type. Installation of metal glazed access rooflight to the front roof face to allow access to the parapet gutter for maintenance. Upgrading insulation of roof and replacing inappropriate Tenno plastic roof underlay with breathable underlay.

Applicant(s): Mr Philip Cornell

Grid ref: 349651, 258948

Application type: Listed Building Consent

Comment: No Objection

(Proposed: Cllr Thomas, Seconded: Cllr Marsh Unanimous).

Application no & site address: Planning Consultation – **221697** – Dental Surgery, 16 Church Street, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 8NQ

Description: T1 Yew tree - reduce to approx. 8 feet in height. T2 Holly - Fell.

Applicant(s): Miss Laura Veal

Grid ref: OS 349736, 259133

Application type: Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

Comment: No Objection

(Proposed: Cllr Thomas, Seconded: Cllr Williams

For: 5

Abstentions: 2 (Cllr Hanna who had previously declared an interest and Cllr Marsh)).

- (b) **Local Plan Policy Options Consultation** – Committee noted the completed Local Plan Policy Options Consultation Questionnaire.
- (c) **Section 106** – Committee noted that S106 agreements for Leominster are currently being reviewed by Herefordshire Council. The list should be finalised by the end of June 2022. The clerk has been notified that a further £1400 is available to spend on The Grange and the funds will be included with funding received from the Great Places to Visit Fund to make improvements to The Grange.

Committee noted that a number of requests have been received for a further pedestrian crossing by Morrisons's Supermarket.

PH31/22 DECISIONS

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

Leominster South

Number: P220656/FH

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Approved with Conditions

Type: Full Householder

Location: Clyde House, Barons Cross Road, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 8QX

Proposal: Proposed single storey front extension and detached garage.

Comment: No Objection but could there be a condition placed on the garage that prevents it being converted into a separate dwelling. Also the Leominster Area Neighbourhood Plan, LANP 9 Greening of the town centre, states that proposals that would lead to the greening of the town centre will be encouraged. Would it be possible to plant a tree to help with pollution issues on Bargates?

Leominster South

Number: P220714/FH

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Approved with Conditions

Type: Full Householder

Location: 7 Wynyard Close, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 8HH

Proposal: Proposed attached garage

Comment: No Objection

Leominster West

Number: P220727/FH

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Approved with Conditions

Type: Full Householder

Location: 6 Godiva Road, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 8UQ

Proposal: Proposed first floor extension on top of existing garage to create new bedroom and en-suite.

Comment: No Objection

Leominster West

Number: P214067/F

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Approved

Type: Planning Permission

Location: Hillcroft, 48 Green Lane, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 8QW

Proposal: Change of use and relocation of wooden shed. (Retrospective)

Comment: No Objection

PH32/22 HIGHWAYS AND PARKING MATTERS

(a) **Highway and Parking Matters** – Committee noted the following parking and highway issues, relating to the Parish of Leominster, that were reported at the meeting:

- **Speed Indicator Device (SID) A44 Mill Street, Leominster** – Committee considered hiring a SID to be sited at the SID base location on Mill Street and noted that SIDs are temporary devices to only be installed on 1 month deployments with no return to the same location within 2 months. Committee noted that Ward Cllr Stone has submitted a letter of support for the use of a SID. The clerk is awaiting further information regarding the process to acquire a SID and advised that approval would need to be obtained from the Finance & General Purposes Committee or from Full Council.
- **Community Speed Watch Guns** – Committee noted that West Mercia Police are compiling a list of volunteers who would like to receive training in the use of speed guns. Cllrs Bartlett, Herschy, Thomas and a member of the public have volunteered. The matter will be raised at the next Full Council meeting on Monday 25th July 2022 to establish if any other Councillors would like to receive training.
- **Pedestrian Crossing, Barons Cross, Leominster** – Committee reviewed the General Arrangement drawing of the proposed scheme. Committee raised concerns regarding the location of the proposed zebra crossing and signage. Committee stated that they thought that a pelican crossing was going to be installed. Cllr Marsh advised that she has documentation from Balfour Beatty and will check to see whether it refers to a zebra or pelican crossing. The clerk will contact Herefordshire Council regarding the concerns.
- **Public Footpath Diversion Orders for ZC85 (part) and ZC86 (part)**
 - Committee considered the diversion order for ZC85 (part) and **RESOLVED** to support the proposals.
(Proposed: Cllr Hanna, Seconded: Cllr Thomas
For: 6
Abstention: 1 (Cllr Marsh)).
 - Committee noted the diversion order for ZC86 (part).
- **Visibility issues by Norfolk House** – Cllr Jacquet reported that there were visibility problems for residents / visitors when turning out from Norfolk House onto Etnam Street (towards the train station) and asked whether a mirror could be installed or parking spaces removed to improve visibility. Cllr Bartlett advised that Norfolk House is awaiting public consultation as part of a Resident's Parking Scheme.
- **Traffic Regulation Orders** – Committee noted the continued issues for traffic / pedestrians by the Hop Pole and on the Ridgemoor Estate. The clerk will contact Herefordshire Council to request that double yellow lines by the Hop Pole, and a 20 mile an hour traffic calming at Ridgemoor Road / The Mallards are added to the TRO list.
- **Overhanging trees, Worcester Road** – Cllr Williams reported that tree branches were overhanging the path by Worcester Road and obstructing the pavement. Cllr Bartlett will raise the issue with Herefordshire Council.

- **A44 directional sign** – Cllr Williams reported that the A44 directional sign, near Conod's Garage on the B4529, is in a poor condition and needs replacing. The clerk will investigate the cost of replacing the sign.
- **Signage for antique shops** – Cllr Bartlett reported that a number of antique dealers in the town have queried why there are no brown road signs for antique shops on the A49. The clerk will investigate whether there is a regulation sign for antique shops.

PH33/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday 4th July 2022 in the Council Chamber, 11 Corn Square, Leominster, HR6 8YP commencing at 7:00pm.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.05 hours.

CHAIR:

DATE:

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