

Dorchester Town Council

Planning and Environment Committee

4 August 2014

Present: Councillors K. Armitage, R. Biggs, C. Biggs, F. Kent-Ledger, T. Loakes, P. Mann (Mayor), R. Potter, D. Roberts and D. Taylor.

Apologies: Councillors A. Canning, T. Harries, S. Hosford (Chair), S. Jones, T. Jones and M. Rennie

19. **Appointment of Vice Chairman**

Resolved

That Councillor R. Biggs be appointed as Vice Chairman of the Planning and Environment Committee for the remainder of the 2014/2015 municipal year.

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Hosford, the Vice Chairman took the chair for the meeting.

20. **Minutes**

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 30 June 2014 and adopted by Council on 22 July 2014 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

The Committee Clerk reported that amended plans had been submitted for WD/D/14/001015 – Dorchester ATE, South Walks Road and members viewed the plans for revised wrought iron gates. In the light of these amended plans, and the fact that WDDC's Conservation Officer now supported the scheme, the Committee confirmed that they were happy to withdraw their objection to this application.

Resolved

That WDDC be advised that the Town Council withdraws its objection to WD/D/14/001015.

21. **Minute Update Report**

Resolved

That the Minute Update Report be noted.

22. **Request for Parking Restrictions**

A local resident of Monmouth Road, addressed the Committee. She detailed the continued and increasing problems being experienced with parked cars in the road, particularly the lower end. Not only were cars being parked for extended periods of

time but cars were abandoned in inappropriate ways and places. Local residents did try to park considerably for their neighbours.

The Committee understood and sympathised with the problems detailed and those in the wider area including Cromwell and Alfred Roads. However, they were aware that DCC required evidence of considerable levels of local support for parking restrictions or residents' permits schemes before they would consider introducing such measures. Concerns were expressed about access for emergency and waste collection vehicles. Members suggested that it was quicker for local residents to initiate and gather the background evidence required, possibly with the support of ward councillors. They cautioned that genuine residents' commitment was needed for any schemes to give them the best chance of long term success. The current parking restrictions in the area were noted as was the fact that DCC already had on file a request from Dorset Police for measures around the junction of Cromwell and Alfred Road.

The lady mentioned that the temporary one way use of Monmouth Road seemed to have been very successful and popular with residents. Members considered that this could be another long term option for consideration and support for this could be included in any evidence gathered.

The Committee confirmed that it was happy to reconsider supporting parking measures/restrictions for Monmouth/Cromwell/Alfred Roads when more evidence of support from local residents for such measures was available.

Councillor R Potter left the meeting.

23. **Planning Applications**

The Committee considered planning applications referred to this Council for comment by West Dorset District Council and Dorset County Council and it was

Resolved

That West Dorset District Council and Dorset County Council be notified of the comments agreed on the various planning applications as set out at Appendix 1 to these minutes.

Councillor R Potter rejoined the meeting.

24. **Street Naming**

The Committee considered options for the names of several streets on the new 'St George's Meadows' development and Members agreed that these should reflect local characteristics where possible.

Resolved

That West Dorset District Council be advised that the Town Council's preferences for street names on the 'St George's Meadows' development are Long Bridge Way, Red Cow Lane

and Dragon's Court.

25. Dorset County Council's Draft Local Flood Risk Management Strategy

The Committee considered the Town Council's response to Dorset County Council's Draft Local Flood Risk Management Strategy and made its comments on the feedback form.

Resolved

That the Town Councils' comments on the Dorset County Council's Draft Local Flood Risk Management Strategy be submitted via DorsetForYou.

26. Tree Works

Members were pleased to see that tree works applications WD/CA/14/00236 and WD/TP/14/00234 for the Presbytery, Culliford Road North included descriptions of the work to be undertaken and, with this information now available, they supported both applications. They also requested that replacement tree planting be undertaken on the site.

Resolved

That West Dorset District Council be advised that the Town Council has no objection to tree works WD/CA/14/00236 and WD/TP/14/00234 and that it requests that replacement tree planting be undertaken on the site.

27. Decisions on Planning Applications

The Committee noted the decisions made by West Dorset District Council on planning applications (contrary to Dorchester Town Council's comments) and withdrawn applications.

28. Urgent Item

There were no urgent items.

Chairman

Dorchester Town Council

Planning applications considered by the Planning and Environment Committee on 4 August 2014

1. **WD/D/14/001533 (Advertisement Consent)**
WD/D/14/001532
30 TRINITY STREET, DORCHESTER, DT1 1TT
Replace existing site signage with 2no new entrance canopies and a wall mounted sign
Conservation Area and Grade II Listed Building
No objection
2. **WD/D/14/001654 Listed Building Consent**
3 BREWERY SQUARE, DORCHESTER, DT1 1HX
Alteration of existing shop front, Installation of awning and proposed signage
Conservation Area and Grade II Listed Building
No objection
3. **WD/D/14/001539**
KINGS ARMS HOTEL, 30 HIGH EAST STREET, DORCHESTER, DT1 1HF
Proposed self contained biomass boiler container
Conservation Area
Recommend refusal. The orientation of the boiler container means that the flues are in close proximity to neighbouring properties. The position of the flues would have an adverse effect on the living conditions and residential amenity of neighbouring residents contrary to Policy DA6 of the West Dorset Local Plan. The Town Council would support the development if the orientation of the boiler container was reversed so that the flues were moved away from neighbouring properties or if it was moved to a different position in the car park again so the flues are away from neighbouring properties.
4. **WD/D/14/001379 (Retrospective)**
55 SOUTH COURT AVENUE, DORCHESTER, DT1 2BY
Erect new boundary fence
No objection
5. **WD/D/14/001454**
ROWAN HOUSE, 2 PRINCE OF WALES ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 1PW
To replace existing wooden sash windows with Upvc double glazing matching existing profiles and mechanisms
Conservation Area
No objection
6. **WD/D/14/001214**
10-24 HEATHCOTE CLOSE, DORCHESTER, DT1 1EY
Replacement of existing white painted timber windows with white UPVC DG windows.

Conservation Area
No objection

7. **WD/D/14/001795**

SOMERLEIGH COURT, SOMERLEIGH ROAD, DORCHESTER

Demolition of faceted 3-storey bay to east gable of Somerleigh Court and addition of larger 3-storey faceted bay with parapet roof forming a total of 3 additional rooms. Addition of new subservient square extension at first and second floor over existing void and parking area on north gable of Somerleigh Court, allowing 4 new ensuite rooms. Minor internal rearrangements to Somerleigh court, allowing the formation of 1 additional nursing room. (Creation of 8 additional rooms in total). Minor internal rearrangements to ground floor of Edgecumbe Manor to improve existing communal facilities.

Conservation Area and Grade II Listed Building
No objection

8. **WD/D/14/001878**

33 MONMOUTH ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 2DE

Change of use from retail (Use Class A1) to a 1No. Bedroom flat (Use Class C3)

No comment

9. **WD/D/14/001836**

102 MONMOUTH ROAD, DORCHESTER, DT1 2DQ

Demolition and replacement of existing Garage. Demolition of existing single storey outbuilding and provision of a new single storey extension and associated internal alterations.

No comment