

11TH July 2017

Minutes of the proceedings of the **PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** meeting held on this day in the **Council Chamber, Town Hall, Wokingham** from 7:34pm to 8:11pm.

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr N Campbell-White
Councillors: Cllrs Mrs A N Drake, C George, K Morgan, C Moore and I L Shepherd-Dubey.

IN ATTENDANCE

Planning & Transportation Officer – Mike Dunstan

(In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman the Committee elected Cllr Campbell-White to act as Chairman for this meeting).

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1)

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs D G Lee, P Lucey (The Mayor), M L Richards and A N Waters.

MEMBERS' INTERESTS (Agenda Item 2)

No interests were declared.

QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL OR PUBLIC (Agenda Item 3)

Cllr Campbell-White asked whether any response had been received from Wokingham Borough Council to Cllr Waters' letter on planning process. Members stated that no reply had been received to date.

PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES (Agenda Item 4)

It was proposed by Cllr Morgan and seconded by Cllr Mrs Drake and it was

**RESOLVED
29575**

that the Minutes of the Planning & Transportation Committee meeting held on 30th May 2017 (pages 15372 to 15374) be received as a true and correct record and that they be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

MONITORING REPORT (Agenda Item 5)

The Monitoring Report dated 5th July 2017 was received and considered.

a) Traffic survey on Finchampstead Road

The P&T Officer confirmed that the traffic survey that was undertaken in support of the proposed residential development off Finchampstead Road was commissioned by the developer. Cllr Shepherd-DuBey will attend the Planning Meeting to speak against application 170264 (SANG).

b) Borough Council Planning Committee

It was agreed that this matter (planning application 163264, Montague Park, phase 6, approved 27 April 2017) would be deferred to the next Committee meeting. In the meantime a verbal estimate will be obtained from a planning consultant to give an opinion on the conduct of the planning decision process.

ACTION: P&T OFFICER



c) Proposed adoption of WBC bus shelter in Molly Millars Lane

The P&T Officer confirmed that the Borough Council had declined the proposal that the Town Council would take over maintenance of the bus shelter for a consideration of £500 to cover future costs. The Committee agreed not to pursue this any further.

TOWN CENTRE REGENERATION (Agenda Item 6)

Committee Members will be attending the Carnival Phase Two briefing on 14th July 2017.

Cllr Moore joined the meeting.

PREMISES LICENCE (Agenda Item 7)

The Committee received and considered an application for a licence to supply alcohol by the Londis supermarket in Bean Oak Road and raised no objection.

ACTION: P&T OFFICER

COMMITTEE'S BUDGET (Agenda Item 8)

The budget report to 30th June 2017 was received and noted.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS (Agenda Item 9)

The following applications were received and considered and it was

**RESOLVED
29576**

that the Committee would make comment as shown.

ACTION: P&T OFFICER

171800 5 The Terrace

Listed Building for the proposed erection single storey rear extension, reconfiguration of first floor bathroom/W.C, replacement windows to rear elevation and internal alterations to form W.C to kitchen entrance.

No objection.

COMMITTEE INFORMATION (Agenda Item 10)

Members noted that the Borough Council had not responded to their concerns about garage dimensions (particularly inside widths) or the flawed metrics used to validate highway dimensions and proposed that at the next meeting the Chairman and Vice Chairman should consider making a request to WBC that the Highways Design Guide be revised to improve the width of roads, garages and parking spaces.

It was further proposed that a similar request be considered to revise the Borough Design Guide for living spaces and housing mix of new developments.

ACTION: P&T OFFICER

Members were provided with details of the proposed South Wokingham Distributor Road and invited to send any comments to the P&T Officer.

The P&T Officer advised Members that Cllr Lee would be briefing the next Committee meeting on the Local Plan Update.

CHAIRMAN

