10th December 2019

Minutes of the proceedings of the PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE meeting held on this day in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Wokingham from 19:30 to 20:45.

PRESENT
Chairman: Cllr I Shepherd-Dubey
Councillors: Cllr P Dennis, Cllr N Fox, Cllr K Malvern, Cllr A Tebboth, Cllr D Hinton and Cllr M Fumagalli.

IN ATTENDANCE
Technical Officer (P&T Officer) – Miles Thorne
Elijah Williams – Student.
Daniela Bertolino - Student

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE (Agenda Item 1)
Cllr A Mather
Cllr T Lack

MEMBERS’ INTERESTS (Agenda Item 2)
There were no Members’ interests stated.

QUESTIONS FROM THE COUNCIL OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (Agenda Item 3)
None

PLANNING & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MINUTES (Agenda Item 4)
It was proposed by the Cllr Dennis and seconded by Cllr Fox and it was that the Minutes of the Planning & Transportation Committee meeting held on 12th November 2019 (pages 15960 to 15963) 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 04th December 2019 was received and considered.

WOKINGHAM TOWN NEighbourHOOD PLAN
The P&T Officer contacted Startford Mortimer Clerk to arrange a visit to discuss their Neighbourhood Plan. Unfortunately this will not be possible until the New year. It was hoped that this can be rearranged for January 2020.

ACTION P&T OFFICER

RESOLVED
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CHAIRMANS INITIALS ______________
ADDING FLOWER DISPLAYS TO OUR BUS SHELTER ROOFS

It was agreed that a meeting would be arranged with P&T Officer, The Town Clerk and Cllr D Hinton in the new year to discuss the plans for this. It was proposed that a pilot Bus Shelter would be implemented in March 2020. It would need to be assessed whether this work would fall under Amenities.

ACTION: P&T OFFICER, TOWN CLERK AND CLLR HINTON

WILTSHIRE ROAD EXPERIMENTAL TRO (AGENDA ITEM 6)
Cllr Fox presented the case that the plan for Wiltshire Road prohibition of waiting would increase the problems of traffic driving too quickly through the road and causing a danger to pedestrians. There is a need for a traffic calming measure on this stretch of road. Ideally this would be a lighted pedestrian crossing point between junctions at Bishops Drive and Crutchley Road onto Wiltshire Road. The Committee agreed that this would be a worthwhile and necessary proposal for safety reasons.

This proposal will be passed on as feedback to the TRO.

COMMITTEE’S BUDGET (Agenda Item 7)
A report on the Committee’s budget as of 30th November 2019 was received and noted.

ACTION: P&T OFFICER

PLANNING APPLICATIONS (Agenda Item 8)
The following applications were received and considered and it was that the Committee would make comment as shown.

RESOLVED

192928 Land south of Wokingham East of Finchampstead Road

Full planning application for the construction of the South Wokingham Distributor Road (SWDR) and associated works between Finchampstead Road and Waterloo Road.

The P&T Committee have no objections but seek clarity on the locations and details of crossing points. They would also like to see a separate cycle way along the route of the new road.
Full application for change of use of existing site from sui generis waterworks to B1 Light Industrial. Alterations to parking. Alterations to site access in conjunction with the Northern Distributor Road Highways Improvement Scheme. Relocation of electricity sub-station. Erection of 1.8m high palisade fencing to front and side boundaries with manual and automated gates. Siting of 3no storage containers (1 retrospective and 2 proposed).

The P&T Committee have no objections but would like consideration to be given to neighbouring residential properties regarding this development.

**Wokingham Service Station Reading Road**

Full application for the proposed erection of a single storey sales building and canopy, following demolition of the existing sales building and car wash and removal of the existing canopy, plus installation of gated timber fenced compound area with bins, new pumps and pump islands, 2 no. 50,000 litre underground fuel tanks, new offset fills and vent stack, new air/water bay and creation of 9 no. new car parking spaces.

The P&T Committee have no objections but would like to see the tree that is being removed replaced by new trees.

**41 London Road**

Outline application with all matters reserved for the proposed two storey dwelling.

Full application for the proposed erection of a detached two storey building to form 2 no. one bedroom residential flats with associated parking and amenity space.

The P&T Committee object on following:

- Harmful to the character of the area.
- Over Development.
- The plans are not clear or detailed enough.
193097  2a Barrett Crescent
Full application for the proposed erection of a detached two storey building to form
2 no. one bedroom residential flats with associated parking and amenity space.

The P&T Committee object on the following:

- Too close to building 2a
- Over Development

ACTION: P&T OFFICER

INFORMATION ITEMS (Agenda Item 9)

None

ACTION: P&T OFFICER

CHAIRMANS SIGNATURE__________________________