

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee held on Wednesday 14 JUNE 2023 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, East Street, Wareham at 7.00pm.

Committee Members Present: Councillors K Green (Chair), Z Gover (Vice Chair) D Budd, B

Dean, M Humphries, D Robinson

Officers present: N Gray, Town Clerk and RFO

P&T 001/23 Appointment of Chair

Cllr Budd proposed Cllr Green which was seconded by Cllr Humphries.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Green be elected as Chair of Planning and Transport for the 2023/24 municipal year.

P&T 002/23 Appointment of Vice-Chair

Cllr Budd proposed Cllr Gover which was seconded by Cllr Humphries.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Gover be elected as Vice-Chair of Planning and Transport for the 2023/24 municipal year.

P&T 003/23 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Cleaton who had family commitments.

P&T 004/23 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

P&T 005/23 Public participation time

There were no members of the public present.

P&T 006/23 Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr Robinson and Cllr Dean wished it to be noted that there had been no meeting held on 24 May 2023.

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3 May 2023 were **APPROVED** and signed by the Chairman.

P&T 007/23 Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

Cllr Dean noted he had not yet written the letter mentioned in minute no.738 and would do this following the discussion at this meeting given there was an application for the same property being considered.

P&T 008/23 Planning Applications

The following planning applications were received from Dorset Council, in its capacity as the local Planning Authority, for Wareham Town Council to consider:

Application Number: P/TRC/2023/02554

Location 2 Edward Crescent Wareham BH20 4HQ

Proposal: T1 Leylandii - Fell. G2 Leylandii - Fell

Decision required by: FOR INFORMATION PURPOSES ONLY

Decision: NOTED

Application Number: P/FUL/2022/03172

Location: Swineham Farm Bestwall Road Wareham BH20 4JD

Proposal: Convert barn to holiday accommodation

Decision required by: 21 June 2023

Decision: The Committee considered the application and found

the application had an excessive amount of parking for the holiday accommodation being applied for. And given the location of the property, down a private single-track road, the increased volume of traffic would cause a major impact to surrounding properties and natural habitat of wildlife. The Committee considered that the new units of accommodation should be

restricted by condition to holiday accommodation only, with the intended use of the barn also conditioned to be

used only in connection with the holiday

accommodation and not for general public use.

Application Number: P/HOU/2023/02571

Location: 36 West Street Wareham BH20 4JY

Proposal: Demolish existing outbuilding and erect a single storey

extension.

Decision required by: 26 June 2023

Decision: NO OBJECTION

Application Number: P/LBC/2023/02572

Location: 36 West Street Wareham BH20 4JY

Proposal: Demolish existing outbuilding and erect a single storey

extension.

Decision required by: 26 June 2023

Decision: NO OBJECTION

Application Number: P/HOU/2023/03077

Location: The Old Vineries 8 Westport Road Wareham BH20 4PR

Proposal: Raise main ridge by 180mm to allow warm roof

insulation. Reduce chimney stack. Provide 17no flush

Solar PV panels to South roof elevation. Install

additional roof light and move door to north elevation. Alter roof above single storey GF cloaks to sloped

monopitch. Alter roof above garage to avoid flat roof part. Install new rooflight

Decision required by: 28 June 2023

Decision: NO OBJECTION

P&T 009/223 Planning Decisions

The planning decisions report was noted.

P&T 010/23 Parking at Northport Drive

Cllr Green shared his experience of the poor parking practice which caused issues when negotiating the bend on Northport Drive.

It was **RESOLVED** Cllr Green and Cllr Robinson would commence a photographic diary of the parking in readiness for a submission to Highways Dorset for the consideration of solutions.

P&T 011/23 Tree Preservation Order

The Tree Preservation Order was noted.

P&T 012/23 Any other items the Chairman deems urgent

The Clerk advised that a member of the public had approached the office somewhat upset that the Town Council had objected to a license application which had subsequently been refused. It transpired that the Town Council had not been consulted on the license at all and so could not have put in an objection, however, a Dorset Councillor had apparently informed another member of the public that two Town Councillors had objected. This was factually incorrect and both members confirmed they hadn't been aware of the application, and indeed both felt the application was no different to the applications which had been granted for the last 30 years, so there was no reason to object. The Councillors involved would consider a report to the Monitoring Officer for the actions of the Dorset Councillor and the Clerk confirmed she had already approached Dorset Council as to why Wareham Town Council had not been consulted. A response was awaited.

The member of the public had been advised of the above and hopefully this would go some way to ensuring that poor relations between the Town Council and the organisation concerned would not deteriorate as a result of the matter, as it was hoped to work with the organisation in the future.

P&T 013/23 Date of next meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee was scheduled to be held at 7.00pm on 26 July 2023.

Chairman	Date