



Minutes of a meeting of the Planning and Transport Committee held on Wednesday 28 February 2024 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, East Street, Wareham at 7.00pm.

Committee Members Present: Councillors K Green (Chairman), D Budd, B Dean, D Cleaton, M Humphries, D Robinson

Officers present: N Gray, Town Clerk and RFO

P&T 095/24 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Z Gover.

P&T 096/24 Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

P&T 097/24 Public participation time

There was one member of the public present who spoke regarding the poor road markings and road signs within Wareham, and the recent street lighting change. The Chairman advised the Clerk would respond to his queries outside of the meeting.

P&T 098/24 Confirmation of the minutes of the previous meeting

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 7 February 2024 were approved and would be signed by the Chairman following the meeting.

P&T 099/24 Matters arising from the minutes of the previous meeting

There were no matters arising.

P&T 100/24 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/ADV/2023/007067
Location: 25 North Street Wareham BH20 4AD
Proposal: Erect Illuminated Signage to Existing Shop

Decision: Request an extension for further consideration – The Committee felt the matter required much greater and in-depth consideration following discussions which took place in the meeting, and would ask that an extension of time be given to allow members to return with their findings at the next meeting on 20 March 2024, which would enable a more informed decision and response to be made.

Application Number: P/TRT/2024/00632
Location: 9 Norden Drive Wareham BH20 4SF
Proposal: T1 Oak: Fell to ground level. Replant with 1x English Oak - 1.8-2.0m within the boundary of the same property.

T2 Oak: Removal of weight loaded secondary leader sweeping to NE over field. Sever to approximately 1m above ground level.
T3 Oak: Remove 1st primary branch sweeping to NE.

Decision: **For Information Purposes Only – however, application was withdrawn prior to the meeting.**

Application Number: P/LBC/2024/00245
Location: 9 Manor House South Street Wareham BH20 4LR
Proposal: Remove existing broken roof light and replace

Decision: **COMMENT – although there is no objection to the application, the Committee would like to request investigation into the missing wrought iron gates, which form part of the listing of the building.**

P&T 101/24 Planning Decisions

The planning decisions report was noted.

P&T 102/24 Heavy Traffic in Ropers Lane

The Clerk confirmed the item was for consideration as to whether the Committee would support the resident with their request to Dorset Council.

Members considered a number of options, but noted there was already a 7.5 tonne weight restriction in the area, and a proposal to make it a one-way traffic flow would likely increase traffic speed as there would be nothing approaching to slow traffic down. It was recognised that the Committee did not have enough technical highway knowledge for addressing this matter.

It was **RESOLVED** that, although the Committee sympathised with the resident, there was no solution evident to the Committee, and Dorset Council should be approached for advice on the matter.

P&T 103/24 Any other items the Chairman deems urgent

Cllr Budd noted the return of the sparkly fascia to 5 West Street despite the enforcement action which had recently taken place to remove it. The Clerk noted she would make enquiries with Planning Enforcement again and report back to the next meeting.

P&T 104/24 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 20 March 2024.

Chairman..... Date.....

Initials.....

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