

Minutes of a meeting of the PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE held at the Council Chamber, Town Hall on Monday 14 November 2022 at 6.45 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllrs. P. Maxwell (Chair), S. Ashton, M. Best, T. Bond, N. Draycott, D. Livesley, J. Morris, J. Nathan, A. Samuel, A. Stuart and D. Wakeman.

In attendance: Town Clerk K. Sheehan, and two members of the public.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

OPEN FORUM

No one wished to speak.

078 TO NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE  
22/23

Apologies were received from Cllr. Head (personal).

079 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST  
22/23

No declarations were made at this point.

080 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS  
22/23

It was AGREED that the minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee held on Monday 5 September and Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October 2022 be APPROVED.

081 TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S UPDATE REPORT  
22/23

The Town Clerk reported:

- The stile/gate at the end of Foxditch Lane had broken and been removed. A request had been submitted for it to be replaced.
- An apology had been received from South Somerset District Council (SSDC) for not consulting Crewkerne Town Council on the current application at Goldwell Farm. An extension of 14 days had been granted for CTC to discuss this application at the Full Council meeting on 28 November 2022.
- The Neighbourhood Plan launch would take place on Friday (10-2) and Saturday (9-2) in the LIC.
- Patch repairs had been carried out on Westover View/Brickyard Lane earlier that day.
- The gas works being carried out by Wales & West Utilities had restarted in Ashlands Road and testing of the connection at A30/Cropmead was still outstanding.

082 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS  
22/23

22/02864/FUL  
& 22/02865/LBC      29 Market Street Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7JU

Retain part of former building to form lobby to rear of shop (retrospective application)

As a Listed Building in a conservation area, Councillors agreed to be guided by the opinion of SSDC's Conservation Officer in respect of this application.

22/03063/NMA Crewkerne Key Site 1 Land East of Crewkerne between A30 and A356 Yeovil Road Crewkerne TA18 7HE  
Non Material Amendment to approved application 20/00149/REM to replace the February 2021 version of the Fallow Land Management Plan with the October 2022 version of the Fallow Land Management Plan to remove one land parcel and include another.  
Noted.

083 TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISION NOTICES FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCIL

22/23

The following planning decision notice was noted:

22/02562/HOU 61 Furland Road Crewkerne Somerset TA18 8DD  
Demolition of single single storey side and rear extensions and construction of single storey side and rear extensions on a similar footprint  
Approved

084 TO CONSIDER MAKING COMMENT IN RESPECT OF APPEAL REF: APP/R3325/C/22/3308600

22/23

64 Middle Path Crewkerne Somerset TA18 8BG

The description of the alleged breach of control is: without planning permission, the erection of a garden building in the form of a summer house (oriental style).

Councillors AGREED to ask the Clerk to write to the Planning Inspectorate and state that Crewkerne Town Council supports the position of South Somerset District Council in this matter.

085 TO RECEIVE THE UPDATED ACTION STATUS REPORT

22/23

The Clerk noted that:

- Request for refurbishment of lines of North Street would be submitted, but there was still considerable debris which really requires a spade to remove. The Clerk was asked to forward photos taken by Cllr. Bond to Highways to illustrate.
- The issue of speeding traffic at Gouldsbrook Terrace/Church Street and pedestrian safety would be listed for the next visit of Highways which the Town Clerk would try to arrange for December or January.
- West Street speeding/parking issues was listed for discussion on the agenda.

Councillors confirmed that the crumbling wall at Gouldsbrook Terrace should be left on the status report until resolved. In response to a question about the condition of the NatWest building, Cllr. Ashton confirmed that it had a watertight roof covering. Cllr. Samuel noted that some of the Brownies dog fouling awareness posters had been removed from the churchyard, stating she would organise for replacement posters.

086 TO CONSIDER A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE WEST OF ENGLAND (EXETER-SALISBURY)

22/23 RAIL LINE

Councillors noted correspondence from Devon County Council which has funded the production of a Strategic Outline Business Case (SOBC) for upgrading the West of England railway line. It was AGREED to send a letter of support to Devon County Council to submit with the SOBC, recognising that Crewkerne would benefit from the proposed upgrades.

087 TO NOTE CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED ABOUT PARKING ISSUES IN SCUTCHINGS LANE  
22/23 AND CONSIDER WRITING A LETTER OF SUPPORT TO STONEWATER IN SUPPORT OF  
ASHLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Councillors noted correspondence circulated regarding dangerous parking on Scutchings Lane behind Ashlands Primary School.

Councillors AGREED to write a letter to Stonewater, copying in Highways and Ashlands School to highlight these concerns and additionally ask for grit bins to be installed and streetlighting to be looked at again.

Cllr. Nathan commented that there was a general lack of parking in that area.

088 WEST STREET  
22/23 To give further consideration to issues raised by residents in respect of changing the on-street  
parking layout

Councillors recalled that this issue had been raised during the recent site visit with Highways officers with no real solution identified. It was agreed that this issue should be kept live and the Clerk was asked to request the temporary traffic strips for installation at this location, to provide some supporting data.

089 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE ON THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN  
22/23

The Town Clerk reported that:

- The first draft of the initial survey had been produced and was being reviewed
- The launch events would take place on 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> November
- The website would be launched later in the week.

090 DATE OF NEXT MEETING  
22/23

Monday 12 December 2022 at 18.45.

The meeting closed at 19.12.

Signed: .....

Dated: .....

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