

STURMINSTER NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
held on Thursday 16th September in The Council Chamber at 7.15pm

Present:
 Cllr C Fraser Cllr H Reed (arrived 7.31pm)
 Cllr M Jones Cllr G Rose
 Cllr H Lacey Cllr R Taylor (Chairman)
 Cllr P Marks

In Attendance: Kate Squire (Town Clerk), Louise Plumridge (Assistant Town Clerk)

Minute No.	Comments	RESOLUTION <i>For each item, the proposer is named first followed by the seconder</i>
21/143	PUBLIC SESSION No members of the public were present.	
21/144	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Apologies were received from Cllr Dobson, Cllr Donaldson (Vice Chairman), Cllr Janes and Cllr Roake.	
21/145	DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS No interests were declared and no written requests for dispensation had been received.	
21/146	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the previous Planning & Environment meeting held on 17th August 2021 were approved as a true and correct record.	Cllr Jones Cllr Lacey
21/147	PLANNING MATTERS P/HOU/2021/02399 - 01/09/2021	
1	Mr T Burnside Broadlands Ricketts Lane Sturminster Newton DT10 1BY Proposal: Erect single storey side extension. Observations: No Objections, the application is not in breach of any material planning considerations and is compliant with the Sturminster Newton Neighbourhood Plan.	Cllr Rose Cllr Jones
2	P/LBC/2021/01798 - 09/09/2021 Mr P Leahy Harland May Cottage Fiddleford Village Track Fiddleford DT10 2BX Proposal: Internal and external alterations to replaster first floor ceilings, insertion of roof hatch, re-hang front door & replace bathroom window. Observations: No comments made as the application is outside of Sturminster Newton.	



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P/RES/2021/02896 - 09/09/2021

Bellway Homes Limited
North Honeymead Field
North Fields
Sturminster Newton

Proposal: Application for approval of reserved matters for appearance, landscaping, layout & scale in relation to outline approval 2/2018/1749/OUT (& subsequent revisions).

Observations: Sturminster Newton Town Council support the recommendations made in the pre-application Officer response ref. P/PAP/2020/00003. The Council also request this application is considered by the North Area Committee.

Cllr Reed
Cllr Rose

Planning Decisions

The planning decisions, previously circulated and attached to these minutes were noted.

Tree Matters

Cllr Donaldson had advised the Town Clerk that the Tree Preservation Order for land at Copse Hill Farm has now been made permanent.

Any Other Planning Matters

The Town Clerk advised that an application to erect a single storey and first floor extensions for May Cottage, Glue Hill had been refused earlier in the year. There is now an appeal procedure in progress.

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CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to consider.

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TOWN CLERK'S UPDATE

The Town Clerk reported as follows:

Dorset Council Planning Portal – The Town Clerk advised Councillors that the office staff can assist if any Councillors want help with accessing information on the portal.

Dorset Council website – Register of Interests forms.

A new system is being introduced for Councillors to upload their Register of Interests direct onto the Dorset Council website. The Town Clerk will send out the relevant links and information.

Dorset Council – Councillor Training

Training is available on Code of Conduct and Complaints Procedures. The fee is £100 which will cover all Councillors.

The Town Clerk will forward the information and encouraged all to complete the training.

Action:
Town Clerk

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Town Clerk

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INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS

Cllr Jones reported as follows:

- Trailway Project – the project is progressing well, and the signal post should be finished and ready for installation in approximately 6 weeks.
- Colber Bridge – Cllr Jones expressed frustration at the length of time its taken, at least 5 years, for the required repairs to be undertaken. It was agreed to raise this as an agenda item at the next meeting.
- The Mill – Cllr Jones requested a copy of the bat survey taken at The Mill.

Action:
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Cllr Marks – reported there had been some smoke issues at Ralph Down Farm, Rolls Mill. The Town Clerk will advise Dorset Council.

Action:
Town Clerk

Cllr Reed – expressed concern for young children partaking in the Boxing Club training activities which involve running across the road. Cllr Rose will make further enquiries.

Action Cllr Rose

Cllr Reed also voiced concern for the lack of parking in Butts Pond Industrial Estate, which has increased with businesses expanding. This will be raised as an agenda item at the next meeting.

Action:
Town Clerk

She also paid thanks to the Grounds team for dealing with dangerous tree branches in Broad Oak.

Cllr Lacey – commented that the Cheese Festival had been very successful. The Christmas event will take place on 27th November.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15pm

Approved on 21 / 10 / 2021 Chairman's Signature 

