# STURMINSTER NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE held on 26th January 2023 at 7.15pm in the Council Chamber

Cllr P Batstone

Cllr A Donaldson (Vice Chairman)

Cllr M Jones

Cllr H Lacev Cllr D Mantock Cllr H Reed Clir N Dobson

Cllr J Rose

In Attendance: K Squire (Town Clerk) J Drew (Finance Officer)

Members of the Public: None

Comments

22/23/207 **PUBLIC SESSION** 

No members of the public were in attendance.

22/23/208 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** 

Apologies were received from Cllr C Fraser, Cllr P Marks and Cllr N

Summers.

22/23/209 **DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS** 

No declaration of interests and been declared and no written

dispensations received.

22/23/210 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** 

The minutes of the previous Planning & Environment meeting

held on 15th December 2022, having been circulated and

publicised prior to the meeting, were taken as read and approved for signature by the Committee Chairman as a true and correct

record.

Cllr Rose Cllr Batstone

22/23/211 **PLANNING MATTERS** 

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application No: P/HOU/2022/07773

Location: 6 Rivers Corner to Salkeld Bridge - Lane, Rivers Corner

**DT10 2AD** 

Proposal: Erect 2 storey extension.

Observations: No objections.

Cllr Mantock Clir Lacev

Application No: P/VOC/2022/07847

Location: Greenwood House, Church Lane, Sturminster Newton.

**DT10 1DH** 

Proposal: Erect single storey rear & side extension. Insert two rear dormer windows. Remove chimney. Convert garage into living accommodation (demolish existing conservatory and leanto greenhouse) (with variation of condition no. 2 Planning

Permission P/HOU/2021/05759 to amend external materials).

Observations: No objections.

Cllr Jones Cllr Rose

Application No: P/FUL/2022/06772

Location: Land at Rudge Hill Farm Solar Park, Rivers Corner. Proposal: Engineering operations associated with the formation

of a surfaced access route to serve operational solar farm.

Observations: No objections.

Cllr Rose

Cllr Reed



Application No: P/FUL/2022/07862

Location: Lower Bagber Farm, Pentridge Lane, Bagber DT10 2EX Proposal: Erect a roof between two existing farm buildings to

create a covered area for livestock loafing yard.

Observations: No objections.

Cllr Mantock

Application No: P/HOU/2022/07831

Location: Old School House, Chapel Road, Bagber Common,

**DT10 2HB** 

Proposal: Alterations of linked outbuilding to include refenestration, change in partition walls, remove conservatory & erect extension & replacement roof to garage, re-instate lost chimney stacks.

Observations: No objections subject to the Conservation Officer being in favour, and the results of the Bat survey.

Cllr Reed Cllr Rose

Application No: P/LBC/2022/07832

Location: Old School House, Chapel Road, Bagber Common,

**DT10 2HB** 

Proposal: Internal & external alterations of lined outbuilding to include refenestration, change in partition walls, remove conservatory & erection of extension & replacement roof to garage, re-instate lost chimney stacks.

Observations: No objections subject to the Conservation Officer being in favour, and the results of the Bat survey.

Cllr Reed Cllr Rose

### **Planning Decisions**

Decisions of Dorset Council were noted.

## **Other Planning Matters**

No matters arising.

# 22/23/212 TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FROM NEWTON RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION FOR AN ADDITIONAL SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE (SID) AT NEWTON.

Newton Residents Association feel there is a need for this as a deterrent for speeding in Newton.

The Council asked the clerk to contact the SID team at Dorset Council to enquire if one additional location could be considered, the item was be deferred for a future P&E meeting once more information is available.

Cllr Batstone Cllr Rose

Cllr Lacey stated that the Newton Residents Association will need to gather evidence to confirm the need.

# 22/23/213 TO CONSIDER REVIEW OF THE STURMINSTER NEWTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN.

In order to extend the validity of the Sturminster Newton Neighbourhood Plan it requires a review. Consideration need to be given as to how this is done.

The Committee recommended enquiries be made by the Clerk to the consultant who produced the plan and findings to be reported back to the Committee.

Cllr Batstone Cllr Rose



# 22/23/214 TO CONSIDER 20mph ZONE ON THE A357 AT NEWTON.

Information had been distributed to the Councillors prior to the meeting. The Council agreed that the road does not meet the criteria for a 20mph zone.

A suggestion was made that Bridge Street and Honeymead Lane be considered at a future meeting.

### 22/23/215 CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to discuss.

### 22/23/216 INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS

Cllr Jones asked for an update on repairs to the guttering outside the Town Council offices. He suggested that he contact the contractors directly to try to fix a date.

Cllr Donaldson spoke regarding tree matters.

 Old School House, Church Walk – application to fell a birch tree and reduce height of another. While the planning portal suggested the notice was for information purposes, the Town Council was listed as a consultee so Cllr Donaldson felt it appropriate to make comment and asked if any Councillors had comments. Cllr Rose proposed no objection which was seconded by Cllr Hacey and all voted in favour.

Yewstock School felled a Horse Chestnut tree, comments had been made on social media, Cllr Donaldson had checked the location which is outside the Conservation area, he noted that the tree is not believed to have a TPO on it.

Cllr Donaldson also asked Councillors to report pot holes and encourage others to do so where appropriate.

Cllr Batstone reported she had received news that Council Tax on empty properties of over one year and second homes will be charged at 200%.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.06pm.

Approved on

Chair's signature .....

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