# STURMINSTER NEWTON TOWN COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE Held on **Thursday 19**<sup>TH</sup> **July 2018** in the Council Chamber at 7.15pm

Present: Councillor H Lacey (Mayor)

Councillor P Batstone Councillor H Reed

Councillor A Donaldson Councillor G Rose (Vice Chair of Planning &

Environment)

Councillor V Fox Councillor R. Taylor

Councillor C Fraser

Councillor M Jones (Deputy Mayor)

Absent: Councillors Chater and Spackman

In attendance: Mrs Emma Lindsay (Town Clerk), Mrs Louise Plumridge (Assistant Town Clerk), Alan Harrison (Rights of Way Officer) and Lawrence Hayward (Member of the Youth Parliament)

No members of the public were present.

Minute COMMENTS

No.

RESOLUTION for each item the proposer is named first followed by the

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18/147 PUBLIC SESSION

No members of the public were present.

18/148 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors Chater and Spackman.

These apologies were accepted by the Members present.

18/149 DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS

No interests had been declared and consequently no written requests for

dispensations had been received.

18/150 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2018, having been circulated and publicised prior to the meeting, were taken as read and approved for signature by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

Cllr Donaldson Cllr Taylor

18/151 CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS

1 Plan Number District Reference Site Reference

**2018/07/01** 2/2018/0762/HOUSE

Applicant House Name Road

Mr & Mrs NorthoverBelle-MonteManston RoadTownCountyPost CodeSturminster NewtonDorsetDT101AG

Application date 05/07/18

Erect two storey side extension, single storey extension and convert garage to pool house (partially demolish existing rear extension)

**2***Plan Number District Reference* **2018/07/02** 2/2018/0871/FUL

Applicant House Name Road

Mr M Jeanes,

Country Design Lower Bagber Farm Pentridge Lane

Group

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Chair's initials:

TownCountyPost CodeSturminster NewtonDorsetDT102EX

Erect agricultural building to house calves.

## 18/152 NOTIFICATIONS RECEIVED OF PLANNING OUTCOMES

The Town Clerk reported the outcomes of recent applications listed below.

### 18/153 PLANNING APPEALS

No notices of planning appeals had been received.

#### 18/154 SALE OF LAND ADJACENT TO BRINSLEY CLOSE

The Town Clerk advised this item had been added to the Agenda as an opportunity to discuss if necessary. However the sale is already progressing and there is no issue to discuss.

## 18/155 SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

The Town Clerk reported a request from Hinton St Mary to share the costs of a Speed Indicator Device.

The Council RESOLVED to instruct the Town Clerk to investigate the implications of sharing the costs with parishes for a Speed Indicator Device.

Cllr Rose Cllr Jones

## 18/156 STURMINSTER NEWTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Town Clerk advised the Neighbourhood Plan is currently with the external examiner

18/157 This Agenda Item was not used.

#### 18/158 RIGHTS OF WAY

a. The Jubilee Extension – The Town Clerk reported there is still an issue with the overlapping boundaries which is delaying the transfer.
 Highwoods Solicitors have been asked to provide an increased scale plan

Highwoods Solicitors have been asked to provide an increased scale plan to identify precise boundary lines.

# b. Rights of Way

Alan Harrison provided the following report:

Board Walk -this has been completed; very good to walk on and great for photo opportunities promote Sturminster Newton.

Summer Growth – this is now slowing down. He commented how well the service level agreement with Dorset County Council was working in dealing with overgrown footpaths. The Rangers and Sturminster Newton Grounds staff work well together with this shared approach.

Footpath 3 (through Butts Pond Industrial Estate) – The pavement is in a very poor state. Graham Stanley from the Rangers Service is in discussion with the landowner to seek a resolution. Cllr Batstone advised she would take this matter up with DCC.

# 18/159 TREE MATTERS

The Town Clerk advised there were improvement works to a tree at Hamgate, Penny Street.

# 18/160 HIGHWAY MATTERS

# a. Station Road Pedestrian Zone

The Town Clerk advised that she is working on the ideas to create a better street scene; planters, moving bollard in at the top end of Station Road and creating 2 disabled bays by the entrance to Railway Gardens. The Town Clerk also advised she is in discussions with Hugh de longh at NDDC to determine whether Section 106 monies could be released towards the cost this project.

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18/161 CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence had been received requiring Members' attention.

18162 INFORMATION FROM MEMBERS

Cllr Jones – Reported a 'blind spot' sign on the way to Blandford on the A347 was obscured, he has reported this to Highways.

Cllr Fox – Expressed concern that there is a fallen willow in between the columns at Colber Bridge. The River Authority needs to deal with this as it is a threat to the Bridge if there is flooding.

Cllr Donaldson – Reported the zebra crossing paintwork on the road by

Market Square is now very faint.

Pigeons – he has noticed members of the public feeding the pigeons which does nothing to help this continuing problem around The Exchange.

The meeting closed at 8.06pm.

Emma Lindsay TownClerk

Planning Application Decisions Reported on 19th July 2018

1 Plan Number 2018/03/06	District Reference 2/2018/0298/FUL	Site Reference	Other Reference
Applicant Mr and Mrs M Pitfield	House Name Yew Tree Cottage	Road Mullins Farm Access Road	Locality
Town Sturminster Newton	County Dorset	Post Code DT102HB	Application date 26/03/18

Change of use of land from paddock to residential garden, erect tractor store and greenhouse.

Comment 06/04/18

No Objections.

**Decision** 21/05/18

# **Grant of Planning Permission subject to Schedule of Conditions**

<b>2</b> Plan Number 2018/03/07	District Reference 2/2018/0230/FUL	Site Reference	Other Reference
Applicant John Roman Park Homes	House Name Land at Market Cross	Road	Locality
Town Sturminster Newton	County Dorset	Post Code	Application date

Erect 1 no. dwelling, modify vehicular access and form parking (demolish part boundary walls).

Comment 04/05/18

**Objections:** 

Difficulty of cars accessing Ricketts Lane in a forward direction from the proposed property. The Council is concerned that the development would have an impact on the building previously occupied by Natwest by removing the pedestrian fire exit and rear access to the building. Removing the rear access would limit future use of the building and potentially cause congestion in the town.

2nd comment date: 6th April. - None of the above have been addressed. The Council acknowledged the Highway's Officer comments but wished to note that the car park had previously been designated as a staff car park and therefore had limited use.

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Decision 18/05/18 **Grant Planning Permission subject to attached Schedule of Condition** 3 Plan Number District Reference Site Reference Other Reference 2018/05/02 2/2018/0605/LBC **Applicant** House Name Road Locality Mr Philip Leahy-Harland May Cottage Fiddleford Village Track Town County Post Code Application date Sturminster Newton Dorset DT102BX Remove 20th century rendering to West, South and East elevations and re-point stonework as required. East elevation left as exposed Marnhull stone and carry out associated external alterations. Comment 14/06/18 **No Objections** (Sent by email as portal not working for this consultee comment) Decision 05/07/18 Approved on ..... Chair's signature.....