

WELLS CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 1ST APRIL 2021 AT 7:00PM VIA ZOOM

PRESENT ON ZOOM: Cllrs: L Agabani, O Hartley (Deputy Mayor), A l'Anson (Chair),
N Kennedy, J Rust (Vice-chair), P Welch (Mayor)

IN ATTENDANCE ON ZOOM: Town Clerk: S Luck
WCC Staff: S Bristow, A Westwood
SCC Cllr T Munt
0 members of public

21/55P APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: None received.

Not present at the meeting: Cllrs: J Browne, R Humphreys

21/56P DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive Councillors' Declarations of Interest, made under the Council's Code of Conduct adopted 26th July 2012:

Cllr J Rust declared a Disclosable Pecuniary interest in 2021/0633/TCA (2 below) as she is a Museum Trustee.

21/57P MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held remotely on 18th March 2021.

Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed, seconded, approved and will be signed by the Chair as a correct record in due course.

21/58P MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

No-one present.

21/59P PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION

1

2021/0502/HSE

Demolition of garden wall to install platform lift.

19 Bath Road Wells BA5 3HP

RECOMMEND: Refusal as the proposed shed and breach in the front wall would detract from the appearance of this attractive terrace and hence fail to comply with policy DP7 of the Local Plan.

Cllr J Rust temporarily left the meeting.

TREES:

2

2021/0633/TCA

T1 - Magnolia Grandiflora - Prune and remove vertical limbs next to guttering to previous pruning points and prune lateral limbs.

Wells Museum 8 Cathedral Green Wells Somerset BA5 2UE

RECOMMEND: Approval, subject to the Tree Officer's intervention.

Cllr J Rust returned to the meeting.

21/60P TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS AND DECISIONS FROM MENDIP DISTRICT COUNCIL

None received.

- 21/61P NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REPORT** (attached)
Cllr A l'Anson presented the report to WCC on the Wells Neighbourhood Plan. This was well received by those present.
- 21/62P DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITIES**
To delegate authority to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair, to decide any urgent matters arising before the next meeting.
- 21/63P ANY OTHER MATTERS OF URGENT REPORT**
Nothing to report.
- 21/64P DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7:00 pm, 15th April 2021**

Progress report on the Wells Neighbourhood Plan

1. In June last year, the Council received from Locality (an arm of the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government) a grant of £7350 to support the making of the Plan. One half of this has been spent on consultancy advice and the balance has been returned.
2. It is anticipated that arrangements for applications for funding for the next financial year will be announced in mid April. It is likely that the maximum amount of grant available will be £9000 per Neighbourhood Plan. Although this full amount may not be needed, funding will be needed for further consultancy support and arrangements for public consultation in order to complete the process of making the Plan.
3. The Committee is asked to recommend to Council that authority be given for an application to Locality for funding up to the maximum available in the next financial year.

Adrian I'Anson

25th March 2021.