WELLS CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD THURSDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 2022 AT 7.00PM AT WELLS TOWN HALL

PRESENT: Cllrs: L Agabani, D Denis (Chair), I Von Mensenkampff, D Orrett,

S Powell

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk Assistant: C Woodland

WCC Staff: C Hobbs No members of public

22/80/PE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Cllrs: T Butt Philip, S Eden, N Kennedy

22/81/PE DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr D Orrett declared a personal interest in item 5.1

22/82/PE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

MEETING ON 20TH OCTOBER 2022

The Minutes were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chair.

22/83PE MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

None present

22/84/PE PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION

1 2022/2064/HSE

Erection of single and two storey rear extension following demolition of garage, existing rear extension and outbuilding. Loft conversion with new dormer windows.

16 Ash Grove Wells Somerset BA5 2LX

Recommendation – Refusal due to loss of light and privacy to neighbouring

property and the overbearing nature of the design.

2 2022/2041/HSE and 2022/2042/LBC

Erection of single storey outbuilding.

Beaumont House 17 New Street Wells Somerset BA5 2LD

Recommendation - Approval with the condition to replace three trees of similar

canopy.

3 2022/2079/HSE

Erection of two-storey rear extension following demolition of existing first floor

conservatory.

9 Martins Close Wells Somerset BA5 2ES

Response required by 17th November, extension requested until 18th November –

Case Officer Joseph Leesam (no reply from Case Officer at time of print).

Recommendation - Approval

4 2022/2112/TCA

T1 - Gingko biloba - reduce laterals by 1.2m reduce apical leaders by 1.2m, raise

canopy to 2.4m.

3 Portway Avenue Wells Somerset Recommendation - Approval

5 2022/2119/TCA

T1 - Willow (Salix caprea) - Crown reduce by 2m, Thin 10%. T2 - Cercis - Prune from

neighbours, formative prune.

7 South Street Wells Somerset BA5 1SJ

Recommendation - Approval

6 2022/1937/TCA

T1 A1 (Apple) - Fell.

88 St Thomas Street Wells Somerset BA5 2UZ

Recommendation - Approval

7 2022/2200/TCA

T1 (Copper Beech) thin by 20% and reduce the lateral branches by 1m. Finishing pruning cuts to be no larger than 50mm.
25 New Street Wells Somerset BA5 2LE

Recommendation - Approval

8 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Responses and documents are in the process of being collated from the Public consultation. Objections to some local green spaces have been received from Mendip District Council; from a solicitor acting for Blue School and Dean and Chapter, as well as Simon Tudway-Quilter, and Somerset County Council regarding Schools. The advice from Mendip was that if the assessment criteria are consistent across all the local green spaces then they should remain included. Mendip Planning Officers also advised on correct terminology and references to be included in several Policies. These have been accepted by the Steering Group. A brief discussion took place regarding a method of displaying gratitude for work done on the Neighbourhood Plan.

22/85/PE 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.

22/86/PE ANY OTHER MATTERS OF URGENT REPORT

None received

22/87/PE DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7pm, Thursday 15th December 2022

TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

Due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed, relating to individuals, it will be proposed by the Chair that a resolution be passed under the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 as amended, excluding the press, public and all non-committee members

Minutes signed by The Chair:	 Date: