

WELLS CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER AT WELLS TOWN HALL ON THURSDAY 21st JUNE
2012, 7.00PM.

PRESENT: Cllrs: N Kennedy (Chairman); D Anderson; A Gibson;
C Briton; D Unwin.

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk's Assistant: Lizzie Webb
1 member of the press. 2 members of the public

12/147P APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllrs M Brandon; J Mitchell; T Robbins.

12/148P DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Cllr Unwin declared a personal interest as member of Mendip District Council Planning Board.

12/149P DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBERS

It is formally recorded that the participation of those City Councillors who are also members of Mendip District Council in both the debate and any subsequent vote on matters contained in this agenda is on the basis that the views expressed are preliminary views taking account of the information currently available to the City Council. The District Councillors reserve their final views on any planning application until they are in full possession of all relevant information both for and against.

12/150P MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7th June 2012 were approved and signed.

12/151P MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mr Hayward a neighbour spoke on 2012/1114; Cllr Unwin, his Ward Councillor, was already aware of his concerns regarding light pollution and traffic noise.

12/152P PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION

1 **2012/1114** – Variation Removal of Conditions
Symonds Forecourt Ltd - Bath Road Service Station, Bath Road, Wells BA5 3LF
Variation of conditions 12, 14 and 15 of permission 2011/0624 to extend the hours of illumination of lighting to 05:30 to 23:30 on any day and car wash lighting to 07:30 to 21:00; extend trading hours of filling station and shop to 06:00 to 23:00 on any day; reduce the trading hours of the car wash to 07:30 to 21:00 on any day
The Committee RECOMMENDED No Variance in conditions 12 and 14 and agreed the reduced trading hours as set out in condition 15

2 **2012/1079** – Householder Planning Permission
15 Woodbury Avenue, Wells BA5 2XN

Single style rear extension and two storey side extension for larger kitchen diner and additional utility, wc, playroom/study and bedroom with ensuite
RECOMMEND APPROVAL

12/153P TREES

1 **2012/1312** – TREE – Conservation Area
Mr John Howard – **Furlong House, Lorne Place, St Thomas Street, Wells BA5 2XF**
Proposed felling of a Pine tree in a Conservation Area
NO OBJECTION subject to tree officer's approval.
Comment: Councillors were concerned that there did not appear to be a reason given for the removal of the tree. If the work is essential please plant a replacement tree if possible.

- 2** **2012/1401 – TREE – Conservation Area**
Dr M Spurrell - **10 The Liberty, Wells BA5 2SU**
Proposed pruning of three trees in a Conservation Area
RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- 12/154P** **PERMISSIONS AND REFUSALS DETERMINED BY MENDIP DISTRICT COUNCIL -**
Noted
- 12/155P** **DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITIES** To delegate authority to the Town Clerk in
consultation with the Chairman, to decide any urgent matters arising before the next
meeting: Resolved.
- 12/156P** **ANY OTHER MATTERS OF REPORT**
- i. The Chairman would talk to the Town Clerk about arranging a presentation by
 Barton Willmore, Agents for the Nutricia Site development
 - ii. Information was received showing AA signage re: The Swans of Wells
- 12/157P** **The next meeting will be at 7:00pm on Thursday 5th July 2012**