# WELLS CITY COUNCIL

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WELLS TOWN HALL, ON THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017 AT 7.00PM

**PRESENT**:Cllrs: M Brandon; J North (Mayor); N Kennedy; D Unwin (Vice-<br/>Chairman); G Wilson; C Wride (Deputy Mayor and Chair)

**IN ATTENDANCE**: Town Clerk: F White

- 17/157P APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE Cllrs: R Ayres; D Swain County Cllr. T Munt
- **17/158P DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS** Cllr Unwin declared a personal and non-prejudicial interest as a member, in any matter that may be referred to Mendip District Council, and as a member of MDC Planning Board.
- **17/159P MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017** Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed, seconded, approved and signed.
- **17/160P MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** None present.

#### 17/161P PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1 2017/2328/HSE Extension to porch. Sirron Portway Wells BA5 2BB DECISION: RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- 2 2017/2367/VRC Variation of condition 8 of planning permission 2016/1901/FUL which would result in the first floor north west window in the 'round' extension being obscure glazed and fixed shut and the first floor west facing window to be clear glass and opening. Drum House Little Entry Wells BA5 2TP DECISION: RECOMMEND REFUSAL
- 2017/2349/HSE
   Single storey rear extension forming new kitchen and additional bedroom.
   65 Bath Road Wells BA5 3HS
   DECISION: RECOMMEND APPROVAL

#### TREES:

4 2017/2333/TPO

(G2) – reduction of conifer group (to re-create hedge)
(G5) – raise canopy of 14 x common limes to 3-4 metres (to clear footpath)
(G5) – prune 2 x common limes (adjacent to Bishop's Barn) to provide 2 metre clearance (to prevent crown touching Bishop's Barn)
(G6) – Prune 2 x London planes (adjacent to 9 & 26) to provide 2 metre clearance (to prevent trees touching the buildings and causing excessive shading)
Wells Recreation Ground Silver Street Wells BA5 1UN
(Cllrs. North, Unwin and Wride each declared a personal and non-prejudicial interest as Trustees)

# DECISION: RECOMMEND APPROVAL in consultation with the Tree Officer

5 2017/2321/TCA

Proposed works to trees within a Conservation Area Wells Recreation Ground Silver Street BA5 1UN (Cllrs. North, Unwin and Wride each declared a personal and non-prejudicial interest as Trustees) DECISION: RECOMMEND APPROVAL in consultation with the Tree Officer

6 2017/2329/TCA
 Various works to Silver Birch, Pear, Apple, Sycamore, Hazel and other species.
 1 St Thomas Mews North Road BA5 2TL
 DECISION: RECOMMEND APPROVAL in consultation with the Tree Officer

# 17/162P TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF DECISIONS FROM MENDIP DISTRICT COUNCIL: Noted

# 17/163P HIGHWAY SIGNAGE PROPOSALS: LONG & SHORT-STAY CAR PARKS

The Chairman presented a report compiled by the Chamber of Commerce and proposals from SCC Highways; members discussed the issues and possible solutions to various problems.

The Chairman proposed that the committee support the suggestions from the Chamber of Commerce and engage with SCC Highways to see if improvements can be taken forward: resolved. The Town Clerk to contact SCC Highways.

- 17/164P DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITIES: To delegate authority to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, to decide any urgent matters arising before the next meeting: RESOLVED
- **17/165P** ANY OTHER MATTERS OF URGENT REPORT No further matters.
- 17/166P DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7.00pm Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017