WELLS CITY COUNCIL

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

PRESENT: Cllrs: M Brandon; J North (Mayor); N Kennedy; D Unwin (Vice-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 7TH 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

3 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 5th October 2017**