## **WELLS CITY COUNCIL**

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 7.00PM AT WELLS TOWN HALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllrs: L Agabani (Mayor), D Denis, J Edmonds, G Folkard, S Powell (Chair)

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Facilities and Projects Officer: L Wassell

25/45/P APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Cllrs: G Robbins, I Von Mensenkampff (Vice-Chair)

25/46/P DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

25/47/P ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

25/48/P MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> August were approved and signed by Cllr S Powell

(Chair)

25/49/P MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

25/50/P PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION

1 2025/1581/ADV

Erection of :- 1x Fascia Letters

1x Heritage Variant Projecting Sign

2x Nameplate

1x Car Park Signage

1x Access Sign

Location: Natwest Bank 7 High Street Wells Somerset BA5 2AD

**Recommendation – Support** Design and appearance (non illuminated signage only)

2 2025/1580/LBC

External: Removal of old Signage and installation of new Signage.

Installation of new 55"/42" internal digital screen, external facing.

Screen to be pole mounted internally.

Internal: New brand refresh including replacement of teller counters and addition of new

ATM, replacement of kitchenette with new.

Location: Natwest Bank 7 High Street Wells Somerset BA5 2AD

**Recommendation – Object** Signage is illuminated and is not sensitive to the conservation

of the building, no other illuminated signage within the high street. 5. Effect on listed

building, 2 design and appearance

25/51/P TREES

1 2025/1439/TCA – Notification only

T1 - Magnolia tree - Crown reduction to by 33%.

Location: 25 Chamberlain Street Wells Somerset BA5 2PQ

25/52/P ANY OTHER MATTERS OF URGENT REPORT

i. Cllr Agabani raised for info only that 3 Mountery Close application previously considered by Planning Committee. It is evident that upon the decision not all information was available on the planning portal, Haylee has written to Somerset Council for clarification, now that the information has been provided, if WCC will

- receive another notification as a consultee, to allow our recommendation, prior to the decision by SC.
- ii. Sarah raised a concern regarding the lack of consistency of notifications from Somerset Council for Licensing Applications, and that she feels strongly that we should receive notifications prior to decision – Officer advised it is not a statutory duty of SC to provide applications but as an update; Haylee has sought confirmation from SC regarding our request for WCC to become a consultee on licensing applications.
- iii. Notification only from Sarah that the agent for Palace Woods has begun eviction notices on homeless individuals within Palace Woods

## 25/53/P DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITIES

25/54/P DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 5.15pm, Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2025 (date to be agreed at the next Full Council meeting).