

Droitwich Spa Town Council

MINUTES of the meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held at the Community Hall on Monday 4 July 2022 at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT:

Councillor GR Brookes – Chairman
Councillor RG Beale
Councillor Mrs C Bowden
Councillor Mrs K Fellows
Councillor RP Hopkins
Councillor A Humphries
Councillor GA Duffy (Ex officio)

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors E Bowden, AH Laird, CM Murray & AM Sinton.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors DM Craigie, Mrs JM Chaudry, J Grady, RJ Morris & WT Moy.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

There were none.

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64. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were none.

65. **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 13 JUNE 2022.**

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 13 June 2022 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

66. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

For the application schedule all decisions were voted unanimously by the Committee Members present.

RESOLVED That the comments of the Planning Committee upon the planning applications received from Wychavon District Council, appended as a schedule to these Minutes, be approved.

67. **AMENDED PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

None received.

RESOLVED That the information be noted.

68. **DECISIONS OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY**

a Approval Notices: Wychavon District Council, the Local Planning Authority, has issued no further approval notices since the last Town Council Planning Committee meeting which had taken place on 13th June 2022.

- b Refusal Notices: Wychavon District Council, the Local Planning Authority, has issued no further refusal notices since the last Town Council Planning Committee meeting which had taken place on 13th June 2022.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

69. W/22/00932/FUL- Land at (OS.8981 6381), Vines Lane, Droitwich Spa.

Pursuant to Minute Reference 12 of the Planning Committee held on 13 June 2022 an approach has been made to the Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (Avant Homes West Midlands) to ascertain whether they will consider providing an open public consultation for their proposals. This position was also reflected in the resolved consultation response comments submitted for the application on 14 June 2022 to Wychavon Planning. Further updates will be provided in due course *[for information]*.

The Town Clerk explained that the Agent had replied on 27 June, representing the Applicant to advise that they preferred not to carry out a public meeting and presentation to showcase their proposals. The reason is that a public consultation exercise had been completed prior to the planning application validation date. This consultation had contacted 277 residents and 4 businesses by letter and unfortunately the interest and response rate was very low. There had been 7 responses in total which included 2 positive comments. To this effect the Agent preferred not to undertake any further public consultation for this application at this time.

The Agent did emphasise that they wished to engage with the Town Council going forward. They continue to assess the online responses to the consultation posted on the Wychavon District Council planning portal, for which there are currently 8 public responses registered. The Town Council comments only consultation response from 14 June (resolved 13 June, Planning Committee Meeting) has been noted. Two additional points raised from this response are construction noise mitigation measures and suitable care for Roman archaeology remains on the site. The Agent confirmed that for these matters a specialist noise consultant had been commissioned to support the proposed construction phases and “Historic England” had been engaged to help with guidance for preservation of the archaeological aspects for the site

RESOLVED That the information be noted

70. WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). Notice of Closure of B4090 Salt Way, Droitwich Spa. The section affected is between the junctions of U41623 Blackfriars Avenue & U41623 Ombersley Way. The closure is to enable carriageway resurfacing works and provision has been made for 5 days commencing 2nd August 2022. Anticipated timescales are four days of overnight working operation *[public notice and location maps attached with agenda for information]*

RESOLVED That the information be noted

71. WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL - Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). Temporary Closure Order for U41544 St Andrews Street, Droitwich Spa. To close the section between the junctions of Friar Street (U41531) and Victoria Square (U41539) in order to enable Full Fibre Contractors to remove cable ducting blockages. Anticipated duration is 2 nights (working 18.00 to 23.30) commencing 20 July 2022 *[public notice and location maps attached with agenda for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

The meeting closed at 6.15 pm.

Chairman of Committee
25 July 2022

Chairman of Council
26 September 2022