

Droitwich Spa Town Council

MINUTES of the meeting of the PLANNING COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber, St Richards House, Victoria Square, Droitwich Spa, on Monday 7 March 2016 at 6.00pm.

PRESENT: Councillor R E Murphy (Chairman)
Councillor R G Beale (Ex-officio)
Councillor Ms J H Bolton (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor G R Brookes
Councillor Mrs A Hawkins
Councillor A Humphries
Councillor T J Noyes

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors S Best, Mrs C A Bowden, L Evans, Mrs S Harris, A H Laird, A Roberts and Mrs K Tomalin.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors Mrs M A Lawley and R J Morris, committee members and Councillor A Sinton.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS

County Councillor Mrs P E Davey advised upon:

- ❖ Worcestershire County Council's Parish Conference held on 24 February 2016 and matters considered including devolution, emergency planning and streetscape design guidance. The possibility of a bye-law preventing people parking cars on the pavements and footpaths was also raised. Councillor Mrs S Harris, who had been nominated to attend the conference, apologised for her absence as regrettably she had to attend to an urgent matter.
- ❖ The use of Section 106 monies and Community Interest Levy (CIL) with specific reference to neighbourhood planning.
- ❖ Rural Opportunities Bulletin news items with funding opportunities for heritage projects and arts development.

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239 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

240 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 8 FEBRUARY 2016

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 8 February 2016 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

241 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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.

242 AMENDED PLANNING APPLICATIONS

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

243 DECISIONS OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

Wychavon District Council, the Local Planning Authority, had issued two approval notices and two refusal notices, all of which accorded with the recommendations of the Town Council.

Notification had been received of Planning Appeal: APP/H1840/D/16/3144321 (W/15/03013/PP) Start Date – 19 February 2016, Mr Allen, Erection of timber outbuilding at rear of premises (retrospective). Site at: 1 West Park Drive, Droitwich Spa, WR9 9HF

The Committee noted that the South Worcestershire Development Plan had been adopted formally on 25 February 2016. Further information was available at www.swdevelopmentplan.org

244 WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – COPCUT RISE DEVELOPMENT – DROITWICH SPA, A38 ROMAN WAY, PROPOSED 40 MPH SPEED LIMIT, TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDERS

The Committee reviewed the following drawings in relation to the above proposals:

- 2014-296-002 – Proposed 40mph Speed Limit Traffic Regulation Order
- NTH2114/01/1200 – Site Access Traffic Signs and Road Markings

It was noted that as the new site access on Roman Way was to be lit by a new system of street lighting, it was necessary to process a speed limit order over the extents. A previous consultation had proposed a national speed limit as the new highway features were designed to the existing speed of the road, and the Governmental Department For Transport guidance supported a national speed limit, however following the responses that were submitted a 40mph speed limit was now proposed. The extents of the proposal were as per the previous consultation (extent of street lighting). National speed limit signs detailed on the traffic signs and road markings drawing would be replaced with 40mph signing.

RESOLVED That the making of traffic regulation orders to enable a 40 mph speed limit along the A38 Roman Way at the Copcut Rise development be supported.

245 YEW TREE VILLAGE – PUBLIC CONSULTATION EVENT

This related to a ‘Reserved Matters’ application which Taylor Wimpey was to submit on part of the land subject to outline planning permission at Yew Tree Village, Droitwich. The Town Clerk advised that arrangements were being made for an informal ‘Drop In’ session for the public on Tuesday 12 April 2016 from 6 – 9pm in the Council Chamber to view and comment upon the information being provided by the Developers. Viewing for Town Councillors would take place from 5.30pm.

246 WORCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL - ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 (AS AMENDED) (C2076 TAGWELL ROAD, DROITWICH SPA) (30 MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2016

The details were noted.

The meeting ended at 6.25pm.

Chairman of Committee
11 April 2016

Chairman of Council
25 April 2016