

Droitwich Spa Town Council

MINUTES of the meeting of the **PLANNING COMMITTEE** held in the Council Chamber at St Richards House on Monday 8 April 2024 at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT:

Councillor G Duffy – Chairman
Councillor M Brook
Councillor SJ Brazier
Councillor PD Clements
Councillor DI Davidson
Councillor AL Key
Councillor Mrs K Fellows - (Ex officio)

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors, Mrs C Bowden , E Bowden, Mrs J Chaudry, N Franks , RP Hopkins , V Humphries & RJ Morris.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillors GR Brookes, J Grady & AM Sinton.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS:

Prior to the Committee Meeting within the public open session commencing from 5.15pm, Mr Reiss Sadler and colleagues had represented from Marrons Design, Planning & Development Consultancy, to outline the details of proposed case reference SHMA-ACTIVE.FID5111128 (for a site close to the intersection of Newland Lane and Newland Road to the South of Droitwich Spa) and take any questions arising.

At 5.45pm Mrs Katy Dale and Mr Barry Read attended to present questions with regard to scheduled application reference 24/000478/FUL (retrospective) for properties 9 & 11 Mulberry Tree Hill, Droitwich Spa.

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376. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Sue Brazier declared a non- pecuniary interest in application reference 24/000478/FUL (retrospective) for properties 9 & 11 Mulberry Tree Hill, Droitwich Spa for the reason of knowing the applicant. She abstained from the vote.

Councillor RJ Morris declared a non- pecuniary interest in application reference W/24/00474/FUL Waitrose, Salt Way, Droitwich Spa, WR9 8LD for the reason that he is a Member of the Wychavon District Council Executive Board. He did not participate in the vote as a non-member of the Committee.

377. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON 26 FEBRUARY 2024.

RESOLVED That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee held on 26 February 2024 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

378. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

For the application schedule all decisions were voted unanimously by the Committee Members, with the exception of Application references W/24/00341/ADV- 26 High Street, Droitwich Spa,

WR9 8ES for which Councillor DI Davidson abstained from the decision making vote, and 24/000478/FUL (retrospective) for properties 9 & 11 Mulberry Tree Hill, Droitwich Spa for which Councillor S Brazier abstained from the vote.

Amended Planning Applications - None received.

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.

379. DECISIONS OF THE LOCAL PLANNING AUTHORITY

a) Approval Notices: Wychavon District Council, the Local Planning Authority, has issued 8 approval notices since the last Town Council Planning Committee Meeting on 26 February 2024. Of these 7 did accord with the recommendations of the Town Council Planning Committee *[for information]*.

(b) Refusal Notices: Wychavon District Council, the Local Planning Authority, has issued no refusal notices since the last Town Council Planning Committee Meeting which took place on 26 February 2024 *[for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

380. VAS/OPCC Funding –Safer Roads Scheme. Pursuant to draft minute references 262/ 2023-2024 of the Planning Committee meeting and 292/2023-2024 of the Resources Committee meeting both held on 15th January 2024, to confirm acceptance of the OPCC Safer Roads Edition 2 funding bid offer. The outcome is to fund 100% of the £4,680 applied for in January 2024 and the payment will be received after 1st April 2024. Arrangements are in course to supply and fit two replacement solar VAS at Salwarpe Road and Addyes Way, including special provision for the extension poles. This will help mitigate against further damage from ASB *[for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

381. Notification of Withdrawal of Planning Application – Wychavon District Council have provided the notification of withdrawal for Planning Application W/23/02464/LB – to convert No8 St Andrews Street to create 2 no. bedroom duplex units as at 28th March 2024 *[details attached with Agenda for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

382. Notification of Planning Appeal – Wychavon District Council have provided the notification for the following Application Appeal dated 28th February 2024. Reference: Planning appeal W/22/00201/OUT – Outline Planning application for the erection of up to 102 dwellings, new vehicular and pedestrian access and associated works. All matters reserved except for access. Land at (OS 8894-6544) Kidderminster Road, Hampton Lovett

A second notification received on 15th March 2024 informs of postponement for the Appeal Inquiry *[details attached with Agenda for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

383. National Highways Emergency Area Retrofit Notification - To be advised of the attached forward details for the works to upgrade and create additional motorway emergency areas. The national programme affects the M5 locally between junctions 4A and 6 in Worcestershire and works are scheduled to commence on 18 April 2024 *[details attached for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

384. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). First Notice of Order for temporary footpath closure. Link Footpath F40079 Crofters Way (fronting numbers 66 & 68) in Droitwich Spa. To close the entire length section from the junction with U41742 Crofters Way. To enable reconstruction of the subsiding footway by WCC Highways Department. **Anticipated duration 3 working days from 11th March 2024** *[public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

385. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). Permitted Parking Area and Special Parking Area – Waiting Restrictions and Street Parking Places Consolidation Order 2004 (Variation Order 2024). To prohibit waiting at any time on Union Lane (south side from a point 51 metres southwest of the junction with Hampton Road and 81 metres in a south westerly direction). Order was notified on 1 February 2024 and comes into operation for enforcement from 22 February 2024 *[public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

386. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). First Notice of Order for temporary Road closure. To close the section of the A38 Roman Way in Droitwich Spa from the junction of A4133 High Park Roundabout (A38 northbound exit slip road) to the A38 Westlands Roundabout. For the reason to enable carriageway patching repairs by WCC Highways Department. Anticipated timescales are night time working (20.00 to 6.00) over two nights during the period between the 11th and 22nd March 2024 *[public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

387. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). First Notice of Order for temporary Road closure. To close the section of the U41514 St Peters Crescent , Droitwich Spa from the junction with U41520 Rose Avenue to the junction of U41513 Mayflower Road. To enable reconstruction of the footway by WCC Highways Department. Anticipated duration is 7 days between the 14th and 22nd March 2024 *[public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

388. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). Second Notice of Order for Temporary Road Closure of part of U41517 Winslow Avenue, Droitwich Spa. To close the section from the junction with U41518 Charles Henry Road to the junction of the B4090 Hanbury Road. To enable investigation and reconstruction works for a subsiding footway by WCC Highways Department. Anticipated duration is 3 days from 26 February 2024 *[public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information]*.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

389. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). 21 Day Notice of Temporary Road Closure for U41600 Old Coach Road, Droitwich Spa. To close the section from the junctions of B4090 Worcester Road to U41623 Blackfriars Avenue in order to

repair a burst water main. Anticipated closure timescale is 3 days from 14 February 2024 [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

390. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). First Notice of Order for Temporary Road Closure of B4091 Hanbury Road. Part One of the order is to close the section from the junction of C2079 Forest Lane to the intersection of U420021 Court Close, and Part Two is the section from U42004 Pump House Lane for 80 metres in a westerly direction to the Hanbury Road (B4090). To enable carriageway resurfacing by WCC Highways Department. Anticipated duration is 1 day commencing 17 March 2024 **To note that WCC incorrectly notified cancellation of these works on 29 February 2024 and subsequently updated to inform that the works are to proceed as originally outlined except for an amended timescale of one day for Sunday 17 March 2024 (Part One) and one day for Sunday 24 March 2024 (Part Two) – two consecutive Sundays for one day at a time** [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda including all amendment notifications for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

391. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). 21 Day Notice of Temporary Road Closure for U41625 Moreland Road, Droitwich Spa. To close the section between the junctions of U41626 Addenbrooke Road and U41624 Ripple Road. To enable burst water main emergency repairs. Anticipated timescale is 4 days commencing 16 February 2024 [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

392. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). 21 Day Notice of Temporary Road Closure for U41624 Ripple Road, Droitwich Spa. To close the section between the junctions of U41623 Blackfriars Avenue and U41625 Moreland Road. To enable burst water main emergency repairs. Anticipated timescale is 4 days commencing 16 February 2024 [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

393. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). 5 Day Notice of Footpath Temporary Closure for Linked Footpath F40079 Crofters Way, (fronting numbers 66 & 68), Droitwich Spa. To close the entire length section from the junction with U41742 Crofters Way. To enable reconstruction of the subsiding footway by WCC Highways Department. **Anticipated duration 5 working days from 4th March 2024** [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

394. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). Permitted Parking and Special Parking Area – Waiting Restrictions and Street Parking Places Consolidation Order 2004 (Variation Order 2024). Prohibition of Waiting at any time on Ten Acres, Berry Hill Industrial Estate, Droitwich Spa on the following section 61 metres north of the Furlongs for a distance of 54 metres in a northerly direction. The Order will come into force on 21 March 2024 [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

395. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). Permitted Parking and Special Parking Area – Waiting Restrictions and Street Parking Places Consolidation Order 2004 (Variation Order 2024). Prohibition of Waiting at any time on Bourne Close and Harris Close, Droitwich Spa for the following sections. Bourne Close (East Side) – from the centre point of its junction with Harris Close for a distance of 6.8 metres in a northerly direction and 23.5 metres in a southerly and south easterly direction. Harris Close (Both Sides) from its junction with Bourne Close for a distance of 9 metres in a westerly direction. The Order will come into force on 21 March 2024 [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

396. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). Second Notice of Order for Temporary Road Closure of C2076 Tagwell Road, Droitwich Spa. For the section between the junction of C2076 the Holloway and the B4090 Worcester Road. To enable remedial works by Severn Trent Water. Anticipated duration is 2 days (24 hours) commencing from 3rd April 2024 [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

397. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). First Notice of Order for Temporary Road Closure of U41740 Paddock Way, Droitwich Spa. To close the section from the junction with U41720 Westwood Road to the junction with U41742 Crofters Way. To facilitate works vehicles working on the link footpath (adjacent property numbers 1-17) by WCC Highways Department. Anticipated duration is 3 days from 8 May 2024 [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

398. Worcestershire County Council - Notified on 26th March 2024 of a proposal to install additional “no waiting at any time” parking restrictions in Black Friars Avenue, Droitwich Spa. These additional restrictions have been requested via County Councillor RJ Morris to facilitate turning and the free passage of traffic close to the junction of Old Coach Road. Any views and feedback on these proposals is requested by 25th April 2024 by WCC Highways Department [*plan attached of location drawing 2023.1175.1 for information with Agenda*]

Councillor RJ Morris explained that the proposal originated from residents requests to improve the alignment space for vehicles using the junction of Black Friars Avenue and Old Coach Road in Droitwich Spa.

RESOLVED That the information be noted

399. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). First Notice of Order for Temporary Road Closure of U41544 St Andrews Street, Droitwich Spa. To close the section from the junction with U41531 Friar Street to the junction with U41543 St Andrews Road. To enable hydrant renewal works by Severn Trent Water. Anticipated duration is 1 day from 5th May 2024 [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

400. Worcestershire County Council – Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 (as amended). First Notice of Order for Temporary Road Closure of U41516 Rose Avenue, Droitwich Spa. To close the section from the junction of U41518 Charles Henry Road to the junction with U41514 St Peters

Crescent. To enable footway reconstruction works by WCC Highways Department. Anticipated duration is 7 days between the 7th and 15th May 2024 [*public notice and location details attached with Agenda for information*].

RESOLVED That the information be noted

The meeting closed at 6. 25pm.

Chairman of Committee
03 June 2024
Chairman of Council
29 April 2024