

Honiton Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held at The Beehive, Dowell Street, Honiton on Tuesday, 20th February 2018 at 7pm.

Members present

St Michael's Ward

Cllr Jill McNally
Cllr J Zarczynski

St Paul's Ward

Cllr R Coombs (Chairman)
Cllr T Darrant

In Attendance

Heloise Marlow (Deputy Town Clerk)
1 member of the public

18/21 To accept apologies for absence

Cllr V Howard (personal reasons)

18/22 To receive declarations of interest in items on the agenda and receipt of requests for new DPI dispensations

Cllr T Darrant – 18/0292/FUL – Pegasus House, King Street, Honiton. Acquainted with the landowner – personal.

18/23 To confirm the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 6th February 2018

The minutes of the meeting had been circulated in advance and were agreed and signed as a correct record of the meeting.

18/24 To consider the following applications, based on the information available:

Any District Councillors participating reserve their final views on the application until they are in full possession of all the relevant arguments for and against.

17/2473/MOUT	Homes England	<p>Land at High Street (former Foundry Yard), High Street, Honiton, EX14 1JZ.</p> <p>Outline application for the demolition of existing buildings and development of up to 32 no. dwellings (including affordable housing) and associated access (layout, scale, appearance and landscaping reserved matters).</p>
This item was deferred to the next meeting.		

18/0016/TCA	Mr Connor Solf	55 High Street, Honiton, EX14 1PW. T1 Maple – thin and shape crown to balance crown and reduce excessive shading. G1 Group of fruit trees – de ivy, prune and shape because they have been let go and are creating excessive shading. T2 Monterey cypress – reduce in height by 3m and thin crown to reduce excessive shading on garden. Shape crown after height reduction. T3 Cherry – tree has failed at base so remove.
Works noted. Note: Members queried whether the T2 Monterey Cypress should be protected by a TPO and resolved that the Deputy Clerk would contact the Arboricultural Officer and obtain his advice.		
18/0229/CPE	Mr R Hooper	Middle Hill House, Church Hill, Honiton, EX14 9TE. Certificate of Lawfulness for the established use of a detached garage as an independent residential dwelling.
Members had no information which either supported or contradicted the evidence submitted by the applicant.		
18/0292/FUL	Mr Dave Vallender	Pegasus House, King Street, Honiton. Re-development to convert existing outbuildings into 3 no. apartments and demolish existing workshop to form 3 no. terraced houses.
Support (1 abstention)		

18/25 To note planning decisions, copy letters and correspondence received and to resolve any matters arising (late correspondence to be tabled at the meeting)

Decision Notices

17/2652/LBC – 3 Dolphin Court, High Street, Honiton, EX14 1HT – create 2m opening in internal wall – granted with conditions.

This item was noted.

Signed Chairman

6th March 2018

Other items

- a). Land between Tesco and Whitmore Way, Honiton- update from the Chairman.
- b). Path from Copper Castle to Springfield Road.
- c). Cul-de-sac Public Open Space near Oaklea – update from the Chairman.

Item a). The Chairman advised that the caravan which had been sited on the land had been moved. He also had a copy of the legal pack for the land which advised that it was only the sub-soil which was for sale. Evidence forms regarding the path being used by the public had been delivered to Devon County Council.

Item b). A local resident had queried whether the path was a permissive path. Cllr Coombs advised that this path was one of the four routes which the Town Council had identified in their rights of way improvement plan. Walking on the road is unsafe. Cllr Coombs would now make enquiries as to the status of the path.

Item c). Cllr Coombs confirmed that EDDC has now advised that the cost of replacing the footbridge would be in excess of £30,000.00. Other options may be cheaper, but Cllr Coombs will be looking into obtaining evidence forms that the footbridge was used as a footpath. The priority is to replace the footbridge, and this will then allow the public open space to be protected. Cllr Coombs has also contacted the Environment Agency with regards to the ownership of the land on the High Street side and these enquiries are ongoing.

18/26 To close the meeting

The Chairman closed the meeting at 20.30pm

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