CALNE TOWN COUNCIL TOWN DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the Town Development and Planning Committee held on Wednesday 14 September 2016 in the Large Hall of the Town Hall

PRESENT: Councillor T W B Rounds – **Town Mayor**

Councillor Ms H E Canfer Councillor R C MacNaughton

Councillor A Muir Councillor A K Hill

Councillor P M Redmond Councillor R J Stigwood

OFFICERS: Mrs Clare Harris – PA to the Town Clerk

PUBLIC & PRESS

There were no press or public in attendance.

67/16 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Warnett and Widger.

68/16 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

69/16 MINUTES

The minutes of the Town Development & Planning committee meeting held on Wednesday 24 August 2016, having previously been circulated were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

70/16 PLANNING APPLICATIONS – SCHEDULE 7 – 2016/17

Application Number		<u>Applicant</u>	Location of	Description of
			Development/	<u>Development</u>
			<u>Ward</u>	
1	16/06291/FUL	Mr Russell King	90 Anchor Road	Retrospective planning
			CALNE CENTRAL	permission for a bridge
				that joins the garden to
				the island on our
				property

Members supported the landowner's right to build a bridge on his property and noted his efforts to find out, in advance of the works, if planning permission was required. Whilst members supported this application in principle they resolved to delegate authority to the case officer at Wiltshire Council to make an informed decision based on all of the evidence.

2	16/07715/FUL	Mr & Mrs Smart	72 Stickleback Road CALNE NORTH	New single storey rear extension				
			CALINE NORTH	extension				
Members did not object to this application.								
3	16/07796/FUL	Mr & Mrs M Jones	38 North Street CALNE CHILVESTER &	Proposed first floor and single storey extensions				
		Jones	ABBERD	and new roof over				
			ADDEND	existing flat roof two				
				storey extension				
Members did not object to this application.								
4	16/08011/PNEX	Mr Darren	24 Horsebrook Park	Notification of Larger				
		Penny	CALNE SOUTH	Homes Extension –				
				Single storey rear				
				extension (to extend				
				beyond the rear wall of				
				original dwelling by 6m,				
				with a maximum height of 2.8m and 2.8m eaves				
				height)				
Members did not object to this application.								
5	16/08466/TCA	Miss Charlotte	67 North Street	3.5m reduction on				
		Jenkin	CALNE CHILVESTER &	northern side of Silver				
			ABBERD	Birch and fell 1 x Cherry				
				tree				
Momi	Members were happy to delegate authority to the Tree Officer at Wiltshire Council.							
Members were happy to delegate authority to the free officer at whitshire council.								

71/16 PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS – LIST 7 – 2016/17

Members noted the planning application decisions.

72/16 WILTSHIRE COUNCIL AREA BOARD ISSUES

Members commented on the lack of information on some of these issues and questioned whether in some cases a more detailed explanation needs to be obtained from the person submitting the enquiry before passing on to this committee.

72.1 ISSUE 4819 – Request for dropped kerbs in Broken Cross area

Whilst members approved of the request in principle, they did not wish to contribute financially.

72.2 ISSUE 4553 – Request for No Parking sign in The Glebe

Whilst members approved of the request in principle, they did not wish to contribute financially.

72.3 ISSUE 4708 – Request for consultation to review the restriction & traffic issues in the town

Members of the committee acknowledge that there is an issue in this location and request that WC Highways investigate further. Members noted that this area sits within the AQMA and the congestion will almost certainly be having an impact on the pollution levels.

72.4 ISSUE 4480 – Request for new bollards at York Road

Members suggested that the resident makes contact with the developer.

72.5 ISSUE 4488 - Speeding between roundabout at Curzon St/Chilvester Hill and St Mary's School

Whilst members were happy to support further investigations they did not wish to contribute financially.

73/16 WILTSHIRE COUNCIL – PREMISES LICENCE APPLICATION FOR CENTRE NEWS CONFECTIONARY, 9 HIGH STREET, CALNE

Members had serious concerns in that if this application is granted we will see a return to anti-social behaviour previously experienced in this part of the town. When the Kings Arm's Public House was trading, there were issues with people under the influence of alcohol, loitering in groups and urinating, not only in shop doorways in the High Street, but in the alleyway adjacent to Centre News. These types of activities were regularly reported by residents and routinely captured on CCTV camera during the evenings and weekends. If the shop owner is permitted to sell alcohol 24hrs a day, seven days a week, it will only be a matter of time before we suffer negative effects as far as crime and disorder are concerned.

74/16 PLANNING INQUIRY – HILLS WASTE SOLUTIONS LTD – 14/09744/WCM

Members noted the details within Cllr Hill's statement of objection. Members were unsure why Hill's have yet again been given more opportunities. It was questioned why Wiltshire Council chose not to fight the initial appeal. There are lots of questions which remain unanswered and information currently unavailable to the public.

It was proposed by Councillor Hill, seconded by the Town Mayor, Councillor Rounds and

UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED to delegate authority to the Chairman and Clare Harris to draft a letter to Alastair Cunningham at Wiltshire Council outlining members concerns about the process to date, and that a member of this committee (Councillor Muir) attends and raises these concerns at the next Area Board meeting on 4 October 2016.

Members went on to debate the issues surrounding the appeal/inquiry in more detail.

Furthermore, It was proposed by Councillor Muir, seconded my Councillor MacNaughton and

RESOLVED to submit a Freedom of Information request on behalf of the Town Development & Planning Committee to question;

- why Wiltshire Council are not defending the appeal,
- why the meeting at which this decision was made, was held behind closed doors and
- why notes of this meeting are not available to the public

Subsequent to this meeting, it was decided to send only the FOI request in the first instance. Dependent on the response from Wiltshire Council the more detailed letter could follow.

75/16 WILTSHIRE COUNCIL NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2016

It was noted that Melksham are currently paying for additional grass cutting services in their town and questioned whether this was something we as a Town Council could investigate further or even seek to deliver in house. There would obviously be cost implications. CH to investigate.

76/16 STRATEGIC PLAN – TOWN DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING ACTION PLAN

Members noted the updates from the previous meeting. CH to incorporate the ongoing investigation into installing a further CCTV Camera at The Pippin into Point 8 on the action plan.

77/16 CALNE COMMUNITY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Members noted the minutes of the last meeting.

The meeting closed at 7.38pm.