

MUCH WENLOCK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Planning & Environment Committee meeting held at The Corn Exchange, Much Wenlock
9:30 am on Tuesday 31 October 2017

Present:

Cllr. Mary Hill (Chairman), Cllr. Trevor Childs, Cllr. Herbert Harper, Cllr. Dafydd Jenkins and Cllr. Milner Whiteman OBE

Town Clerk:

Sharon Clayton

In attendance:

Cllr. Allan Walter

1) Chairman

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2) APOLOGIES

There were no apologies since all Members were present.

3) MINUTES

The minutes of a Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on 3 October 2017 were considered for approval.

It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and unanimously RESOLVED that the minutes be signed and ADOPTED as a true record.

4) DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Members were reminded that they are required to leave the room during the discussion and voting on matters in which they have a disclosable pecuniary interest, whether the interest is entered in the Register of Members' Interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

None declared.

5) Dispensations

None requested.

6) Public session

There were no members of the public present.

7) Planning matters

The following planning applications were considered:

<p>17/04678/FUL Former Haulage Yard, Bourton Road, Much Wenlock</p>	<p>Change of Use of land for the siting of two timber holiday lodges for visitor accommodation and installation of package treatment plant It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and unanimously AGREED no objection. However, Members expressed concern in relation to the reference to a 10-minute walk to the town centre in the application, and questioned the suitability of any pedestrian access from the application site, particularly on the B4378.</p>
<p>17/05073/AGR Land to the north of Stretton Road, Much Wenlock</p>	<p>Erection of three bay steel portal framed building (for information only) NOTED</p>

The following planning **DECISIONS** were **NOTED**

17/04299/TCA English Heritage, Wenlock Abbey, Barrow Street, Much Wenlock	To fell two Pine trees, fell one Chestnut tree and remove overhanging limb of one Ash tree within Much Wenlock Conservation Area (amended description) No objection 30 October 2017
17/04382/TCA 1B Chapel Close, Much Wenlock	To fell one Poplar tree within Much Wenlock Conservation Area No objection 12 October 2017
17/00998/FUL Proposed residential development land north of Victoria Road (40 High Street), Much Wenlock	Erection of one dwelling with garage; repair to outbuilding, erection of one pair of semi-detached dwellings with attached 3 bay garage Permission GRANTED 26 October 2017
17/04666/TCA St Swithuns house, 4 Barrow Street, Much Wenlock	To fell four Apple trees within Much Wenlock Conservation Area No objection 27 October 2017

8) Flooding issues

An invitation had been received from Shropshire Council to attend a site visit of the attenuation ponds at Stretton Road and the Sytche. Hopefully any unanswered questions would be answered on that day. The Chairman suggested that, following the site visit, the Committee could concentrate on updating the 'Much Wenlock and District Community Flood Information, Prevention and Action Plan' and then decide whether to establish another Community Flood Action Group that could respond in an emergency situation.

It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and AGREED that:

- i. Cllr. Herbert Harper and Cllr. Trevor Childs would begin to update the 'Much Wenlock and District Community Flood Information, Prevention and Action Plan'.
- ii. Consideration would be given to establishing a Community Flood Action Group once the 'Much Wenlock and District Community Flood Information, Prevention and Action Plan' had been updated.
- iii. The water-flow monitor at the Pound should be checked for functionality.

9) Monitoring development in accordance with the Neighbourhood Development Plan

Members considered whether there were any planning applications that needed to be included in the monitoring of housing development in accordance with the Neighbourhood Plan for Much Wenlock. The Chairman recommended that this should be discussed further when the Committee met with Shropshire Council on 7 November 2017.

It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and AGREED to ask for an update on housing numbers for Much Wenlock when the Committee met with Shropshire Council to discuss the Local Plan Review and the implications it might have on the Neighbourhood Plan.

10) Street naming

None received.

11) Footpath/bridleway creation orders

None received.

12) Footpath diversion orders

None received.

13) Road closures

High Street, Barrow Street (High Street to St Mary's Street), Wilmore Street, Bull Ring, Sheinton Street and King Street, Much Wenlock CLOSED on 2 December 2017 between 10 am and 5 pm for the Much Wenlock Christmas Fayre.

NOTED

14) Tree Preservation Orders

None received.

15) Stopping Up Orders

None received.

16) Speed Limit Orders

None received.

17) Prohibition Orders

None received.

18) Traffic issues

Concern was expressed about the number of HGVs that were taking a short cut through the parish of Much Wenlock and the pollution they were creating.

It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and AGREED that, in view of the heavy traffic flow, Shropshire Council should be asked for data on air quality for Much Wenlock.

19) Correspondence

None received.

20) Date of next meeting

It was **NOTED** that the next meeting would take place on Tuesday 5 December 2017

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the above Act it was PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted the public and press should not be present.

21) Planning enforcement case

Members were informed of a recent enforcement case.

NOTED.

The meeting closed at 10:21.

Signed.....
Chairman

Date.....