

MUCH WENLOCK TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a Planning & Environment Committee meeting held at The Corn Exchange, Much Wenlock
6 pm on Tuesday 4 December 2018

Present:

Cllr. Mary Hill (Chairman), Cllr. Herbert Harper, Cllr. Daniel Thomas and Cllr. Milner Whiteman

Locum Town Clerk:

Trudi Barrett

In attendance:

Two members of the public

1) Chairman’s Welcome

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2) Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. Jenkins and Cllr. Themans due to work commitments.

These apologies were ACCEPTED and CONFIRMED as APPROVED absence.

3) Minutes

The minutes of a Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on 30 October 2018 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 or not the interest is entered in the Register of Members’ Interests maintained by the Monitoring Officer.

5) Dispensations

None requested.

6) Public Session

There had been no requests to speak.

7) Planning Matters

The following PLANNING APPLICATIONS were considered:

<p>18/05075/FUL The Wheatlands Bungalow, Station Road, Much Wenlock</p>	<p>Erection of replacement dwelling. It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and unanimously AGREED that the Council had no objections in principle to the demolition and building of a replacement dwelling as outlined in the application. However, the Design & Access statement made mention of felling two trees without the planting of suitable replacements and Councillors would urge this to be undertaken. Councillors were also concerned that no mention was made of car parking arrangements: Policy H6 of the Much Wenlock Neighbourhood Plan requires a minimum of two parking spaces per dwelling to be provided.</p>
<p>18/05248/TCA Cemetery, Bridgnorth Road, Much Wenlock</p>	<p>Removal of two Cherry trees within Much Wenlock Conservation Area. It was noted that this application was for the removal of trees on the Town Council’s property and that replacement trees would be planted. It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and unanimously AGREED to make no comment as this was a Town Council application.</p>

18/05283/CPL 27 Oakfield Park, Much Wenlock	Application for lawful development certificate for erection of rear single storey rear extension; loft conversion to include dormer windows. FOR INFORMATION ONLY. Noted.
18/05327/VAR Hill Farm Barn (Former Equine Building), Bourton, Much Wenlock	Variation of Condition no. 4 attached to planning permission 17/05184/FUL dated 23 March 2018. It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and unanimously AGREED no objection provided the access times indicated in the Design & Access statement were strictly adhered to.

The following planning DECISIONS were **NOTED**:

18/04300/FUL Lower Westwood Farm, Stretton Westwood, Much Wenlock	Erection of four bay detached garage with existing stables relocated. Permission GRANTED 8 November 2018
18/04413/FUL 27 Oakfield Park, Much Wenlock	Erection of single storey rear extension; installation of wide dormer window to facilitate first floor accommodation. WITHDRAWN 13 November 2018
18/03655/FUL Wood Lodge, Copse Hill Lane, Homer, Much Wenlock	Erection of a detached single storey self-contained residential annex. Permission REFUSED 28 November 2018

8) Shropshire Local Plan Review 2016 – 2036 – Preferred Sites

Councillors noted the consultation period for the Shropshire Local Plan Review – Preferred Sites, from Thursday, 29 November 2018 to Thursday, 31 January 2019. The document would be discussed at the Planning Committee meeting on 8 January 2019. Full Council would consider at the meeting on 6 December whether to hold an extraordinary meeting in January for discussion of this single item.

9) Presthoke Grange

Councillors considered plans for the development at Presthoke Grange. It was noted that the properties under construction were residential park homes, to be occupied for 365 days per year.

It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and unanimously AGREED to ask Shropshire Council about the granting of permission for the development, the definition of the type of dwellings to be provided and whether any monies were due to the Town Council as a result of this development.

10) Flooding issues

None.

11) Street naming *

None received.

12) Footpath/Bridleway Creation Orders*

None received.

13) Footpath Diversion Orders*

Councillors considered the Shropshire Council (Footpath 50 (part), Town of Much Wenlock) Public Path Diversion Order 2018, made on 8 November 2018, relating to Shadwell Quarry.

It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and unanimously AGREED to support the diversion.

14) Road closures*

Councillors expressed concern that one of the new flower planters at the junction of Sheinton Street with New Road obscured the driver's view of traffic approaching from the New Road side. Councillors agreed that the planter should be relocated for safety reasons. The Locum Clerk was asked to contact the Highways Engineer at Shropshire Council to arrange a site visit.

15) Tree Preservation Orders*

None received.

16) Stopping Up Orders*

None received.

17) Speed Limit Orders*

None received.

18) Prohibition Orders*

None received.

19) Bourton Woodland Scheme

Councillors noted that a copy of the draft Woodland Management Plan for Bourton Estate had been sent to the Council for comment. Following confirmation from members of the local Tree Forum that all was in order, a response had been sent supporting the plan.

20) Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) and Place Plans

Councillors noted correspondence from Shropshire Council regarding CIL and Place Plans. Shropshire Council had accepted that there had been problems with the allocation of CIL funding. It was agreed that Town Councillors should monitor the situation.

21) Correspondence

- a. Councillors considered correspondence from a member of the public regarding measures to make Much Wenlock more pedestrian friendly. Councillors had previously discussed limiting parking in the High Street but agreed that the loss of parking spaces outside the shops would impact on businesses in the High Street.
- b. Councillors noted correspondence received from Shropshire Council in response to concerns about speeding vehicles on King Street, Much Wenlock. Shropshire Council had replied that there had been no recorded injury accidents in King Street within the last five years and that there would be no funding for community led safety schemes until at least 2020. The Clerk was asked to convey Shropshire Council's response to the resident who had raised the matter.
- c. Councillors noted Shropshire Council's Affordable Housing Newsletter for October 2018 and Self Build Newsletter for November 2018. It was noted that the Council might consider promoting self-build options and Councillor Thomas was asked to review these.

22) Date of next meeting

It was **NOTED** that the next meeting would take place on Tuesday 8 January 2019.

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.

- 23)** Members **NOTED** recent planning enforcement cases and the Clerk was asked to contact Shropshire Council to pursue outstanding matters.

The meeting closed at 6.50 pm.

Signed.....
Chairman

Date.....