

LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING – 2012/10/08– 23

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Council Chamber, Claremont House, Lydney on Monday 8 October 2012 at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs W Osborne (Chairman), D Cooksley, D Edwards, C Harris, A Preest, B Thomas

Mr D Street – Member of the public co-opted onto the Committee

Mrs J Smailes – Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Miss C Wheeler – Executive Officer (EO)

Two members of the public

Cllr Osborne informed all present that no practice fire evacuation had been scheduled for the duration of the meeting. All attendees were then informed of the locations of the nearest fire exits.

Prior to the commencement of the meeting the Council received a petition from Mr David Porter, containing 952 signatures in support of the installation of a crossing point in Hill Street. Mr Porter informed Councillors of the problems experienced by members of the public who wished to cross Hill Street, both young and old. Furthermore, Mr Porter reported that the Hill Street Lollipop lady had several near misses with traffic. A number of Councillors spoke in support of the introduction of a crossing point and it was agreed that the matter would be an agenda item for the next meeting. An invitation to attend the meeting would be extended to Mr Porter and a representative from Gloucestershire Highways.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Berryman and Hobman and duly accepted.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Cooksley – Planning application P1220/12/FUL – 3 Swan Lane, Lydney (personal interest)

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 10 September 2012 were confirmed and signed as a true record. **Proposed by Cllr Edwards, seconded by Cllr Harris.** Unanimous.

4. **OPEN FORUM**

Mr W Owen, 3 Augustus Way, Lydney – questioned if a public right of way existed over the land formerly used by Paramount Cars, as members of the public were now only able to walk as far as the white line area. Cllr Osborne confirmed that the CEO would investigate the matter.

Action by – the CEO

5. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

P1229/12/FUL – Mr M Vizard, Hunters Lodge, Driffield Road, Lydney
Erection of a first floor extension to create a bedroom and en-suite

No objection

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P1132/12/FUL – 58 Allaston Road, Lydney

REVISED PLANS - Erection of a detached car port with room above

Objection. Council reiterate its previous view that:

- 1) **Whilst Council appreciates there have been changes to planning legislation Council are concerned about the necessity for another car port as this is extending the property footprint – overdevelopment of the site.**
- 2) **The Town Council have received three letters from residents who are concerned that the proposed plans are not in keeping with the local area. These concerns Council uphold.**

P1220/12/FUL – 3 Swan Lane, Lydney

Erection of a two storey rear extension

Council note that the exterior appearance is not as existing and not sympathetic; Council would like to establish if the plans are incorrect or whether the applicant is changing the whole exterior of the existing and new building. Request site inspection.

P0889/12/FUL – Midcounties Co-operative Food Store, Newerne Street, Lydney

Installation of a new impoundment weir and fish pass and abstraction of water for generation of hydroelectricity, including installation of underground chamber for generating equipment. Modifications to River Lyd channel to create habitat improvements and effect flood risk reduction benefits

No objection

P1363/12/TPO – Robert Hitchins Limited, Land at, Highfield Road, Lydney

Crown reduce T1 Oak of TPO173 by 20%

No objection

P0689/12/FUL – Land at Stanford Road, Lydney

REVISED PLANS – Erection of 2 dwellings

No objection, subject to neighbour notification

P1376/12/FUL – Gloucestershire NHS Primary Care Trust, Lydney Health Centre, Albert Street, Lydney

Relocation of existing bin store

Whilst Council does not object to the application, it would request that additional screening be added to the site to provide greater privacy and reduce the effects of any associated noise

P0069/12/DISCON – Mr C S Reid, Storage Yard, Allaston Road, Lydney

Discharge of condition (05) landscaping and condition (09) surface water on planning permission P2203/09/FUL

No objection

P1391/12/FUL – Mr P Hayes, Lakeside House, Cambourne Place, Lydney

Installation of additional privacy screening to existing roof terrace

No objection, subject to neighbour notification



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TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM FODDC

P0961/12/FUL – Whitecross School, Church Road, Lydney

Granted permission – Erection of two shade canopies and associated works.

P1067/12/FUL – Purlieu Cottage, The Purlieu, Lydney

Granted Permission – Erection of a replacement dwelling and private car garage. (Minor material amendment to previously approved P2138/09/FUL).

P0762/12/FUL – Land at Pylers Way, Lydney

Granted Permission – Erection of 9 dwellings with associated access, parking and landscaping. Demolition of 2 existing dwellings and garage site.

P1050/12/FUL – 5 Bracken Close, Lydney

Granted permission – Conversion of garage to form a bedroom for a disabled person.

P0994/12/FUL – 4 The Hawthorns, Lydney

Granted permission – Proposed ground floor alterations and extensions to provide bedroom and bathroom facilities for a disabled person. (Minor material amendment to planning permission P2440/11/FUL).

P0733/12/APP – Land on the North and East Sides of Naas Lane, Lydney

Granted permission – Approval of Reserved Matters for Framework Plan Area S4 (as set out in the terms of condition 3 of P0724/04/OUT) of planning permission P0337/09/FUL (access).

6. PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

- E-mail from Forest of Dean District Council Planning Officer re. Material considerations. **Noted.**
- Response from Forest of Dean District Council re. Enforcement Notice re. Tesco. **Noted.**

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter from Gloucestershire County Council. **Noted.** Cllr Osborne informed members of the problems which he had experienced with attempting to arrange for some streetlights on the corner of Rushylease/Valley Road to be restored to all night operation. The CEO agreed to contact Gloucestershire County Council to ascertain if it would be possible for the streetlights to be restored to all night operation.

Action by – the CEO

8. COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Noting that he was the Council's appointed representative for rail/transport matters, Cllr Edwards sought confirmation from the Committee regarding the extent of his responsibility.

Cllr Cooksley reported that problems were being experienced on the section of land spanning from Cambourne Place to Higher Lydney Estate. Members noted that fences were being vandalised in this section, litter was accumulating and streetlights were not working. Cllr Osborne requested that the matter appear as an agenda item for the next



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meeting, as problems were also experienced with articulated lorries who were being directed along the road due to the post code. Cllr Harris believed that Kear Partnership Homes were responsible for the lighting in the aforementioned section. Cllr Preest recommended that the Council also ascertain if stipulation was included in the planning consent regarding lighting.

Action by – the CEO

Cllr Harris again expressed concern that the hedges at the Greyhound Inn and the vegetative areas owned by Johnson Brothers were impeding members of the public.

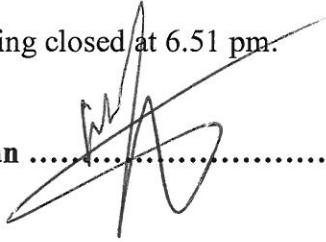
In his capacity of County Councillor, Cllr Cooksley's attention was drawn to an e-mail which the CEO had forwarded from Mr Deeks, a member of the public, to which Cllr Cooksley was asked to respond.

13. **MEETING DATES**

It was noted that the next meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee would take place on Monday 12 November 2012 at 6.00 pm.

The meeting closed at 6.51 pm.

Chairman



Date ..12th November 2012.