

LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING – 2016/04/11 – 46

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Council Chamber, Claremont House, Lydney on Monday 11 April 2016 at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs A Preest (Chairman), R Christodoulides, J Greenwood, B Pearman, D Pugh and D Street

One member of the public
Mrs J Smailes – Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Miss C Wheeler – Executive Officer (EO)

Cllr Preest informed all present that no practice fire evacuation had been scheduled for the duration of the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES**
No apologies for absence were received.
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Cllr A Preest – Agenda Item 12 – Breedon Aggregates
3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**
Approval of the minutes of the Planning and Highway Committee meeting held on 14 March 2016 was **proposed by Cllr Pugh, seconded by Cllr Greenwood.** Unanimous.
4. **OPEN FORUM**
None.

HIGHWAY, FOOTPATH AND TRANSPORT ISSUES

5. **SIGNAGE**
Cllr Preest reported that no progress had been made on the matter as a meeting was pending with Officers from Gloucestershire County Council later in the week, during which the issue of relocating the Vehicle Activated Sign from Highfield Road would be raised.

Action by – Cllr Preest
6. **JUNCTION ISSUES**
Cllr Preest reminded Members that Gloucestershire County Council had provided funding to Forest of Dean District Council to undertake the work and he gave a commitment to progress the matter during the impending meeting with Gloucestershire County Council officers.

Action by – Cllr Preest
7. **ROUNDBOUT SPONSORSHIP (RE. LIB)**
Cllr Preest advised Members that no further communication had been received by himself or the CEO from Mr B Watkins, Gloucestershire County Council, regarding the information which needed to be supplied to the interested party. Cllr Preest gave a commitment to raise the matter at the meeting with Gloucestershire County Council officers.

Action by – Cllr Preest

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8. **TEMPORARY ROAD/FOOTPATH CLOSURES, CREATIONS/DIVERSIONS**
- Road Closure Request – Lydney Hospital Fete/Grove Road areas (16 July 2016 12 noon to 4.00 pm) - **No objection**
 - FLY36 & 37, Highfield Hill, Lydney – Public Path Diversion Order. **Strong objection as diversion of Public Rights of Ways onto estate roads is contrary to DEFRA circular 1/09 and pages 32 & 33 of Lydney’s Neighbourhood Development Plan which has successfully passed Referendum and therefore classed as a Statutory planning document.**

During discussion it was noted that FLY 62 & 64 had been closed, but the Town Council had not been informed of the closure or the reason for the closure. Accordingly, the CEO was requested to contact Mr J Lane at Gloucestershire County Council to obtain an explanation for the closure and non-notification.

9. **HIGHWAY CORRESPONDENCE**
Gloucestershire County Council – Notification of carriageway resurfacing on B4234 Parkend to Whitecroft on 18 & 19 April 2016. Traffic light to be operated between 9.30 am and 4.00 pm. Long delays anticipated.

PLANNING ISSUES

10. **OAKDALE**
It was noted that no progress had been made regarding a date for a future meeting and that the meetings were arranged by Bromford Housing/Base Estates. It was agreed that the item would be removed from the agenda until such time as further progress could be reported.
11. **FODDC PLANNING REVIEW**
Members noted that earlier in the day Forest of Dean District Council had released a public report on the Planning Review conducted Planning services provided, a copy of which had been circulated to Members.
- It was noted that the report would be considered by Forest of Dean District Council’s Full Council.
12. **BREEDON AGGREGATES**
Having declared an interest in this matter Cllr Preest did not participate in the discussion and the meeting was Chaired by Cllr Pearman.

Lydney Air Quality Management Area Reports

Copies of the reports which had been obtained by Forest of Dean District Council were provided to Members in advance of the meeting, the contents of which were noted.

Planning Application 15/0108/FDMAJM

Members were informed that as a result of the Committee’s discussion at the last meeting, Gloucestershire County Council had been informed of the concerns which had been raised concerning the application (effect of increased traffic on bottleneck, air quality and Lydney C of E School). Members suggested that the effect of increased traffic on access to Lydney Hospital should also be raised.

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Newland Parish Council – Request for Funding

Members were reminded of Newland Parish Council's request to earmark £1,000 funding towards a "fighting fund" which had been deferred at the last meeting. During discussion Members were reminded that historically the Council had declined all such requests to contribute towards "fighting funds".

In view of the above it was **proposed by Cllr Pugh, seconded by Cllr Greenwood**, that the Council would, as a matter of Policy, decline the funding request from Newland Parish Council. Unanimous.

Action by – the CEO

Cllr Preest resumed the chairmanship of the meeting at this point.

13. **LAND BETWEEN 45 & 51 ALLASTON ROAD**

Cllr Preest advised Members that approval had been granted for Allaston Developments to challenge the Secretary of State's refusal to grant planning permission in the High Court.

Cllr Preest drew attention to an area of land which he felt to be brownfield which lay between 45 & 51 Allaston Road. It was highlighted that the land had not been included in Forest of Dean District Council's Allocation Plan. Cllr Preest called for the Council to support the inclusion of the land in Forest of Dean District Council's Allocation Plan as he believed the land to be "infill".

After a short discussion it was agreed that further consideration of this matter would be deferred until such time as Councillors were able to familiarise themselves with the site.

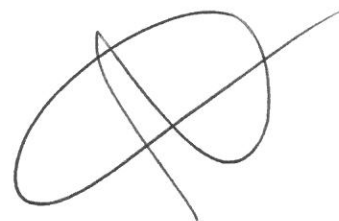
14. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

16/0020/FDREG3 – Gloucestershire County Council, Land adjacent to Railway Station Car Park, Station Road, Lydney
Creation of an overflow car park for the railway station
No objection

P0340/16/FUL – Mr R O'Donnell, 28 Spring Meadow Road, Lydney
Dropped kerb to allow vehicular access and off road parking
No objection

P0259/16/COU – Balanced Beauty and Fitness, 25 Newerne Street, Lydney
Retrospective change of use from Youth Drop In Café to Beauty and Fitness Studio with associated activities and facilities
No objection

P0413/16/FUL – Mr J Nicholls, 4 Chantry Close, Lydney
Erection of a single storey attached garage and conversion of existing integral garage to living accommodation
No objection



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P0199/16/FUL – Mr M Barnett, Myshir, 16 Kimberley Drive, Lydney
Single storey extension to front of existing dwelling

No objection

P0033/16/DISCON – Robert Hitchins Limited
Land off Highfield Road (Lydney B), Highfield Road, Lydney
Discharge of conditions (05) Sequencing Plan, (13) Construction Traffic Strategy, (14)
Details of temporary parking/operative accommodation and (26) Written Scheme of
Investigation for Archaeological Mitigation relating to planning permission
P0361/15/OUT

Noted

P0434/16/FUL – Mr A Baker, 6 Lancaster Drive, Lydney
Erection of side and rear extensions and removal of existing car port

No objection

15. TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM FODDC

P0149/16/FUL – 15 Primrose Hill, Lydney

Granted Permission – Two storey extension and alterations, replacement car port and removal of existing garage, alterations to existing vehicle area.

P0116/16/FUL – 16 Bathurst Park Road, Lydney

Granted Permission – Proposed two storey rear extension and internal alterations.

P0361/15/OUT – Land between Lydney Bypass and Highfield Road, Lydney

Granted Permission – Outline application for residential development (up to 750 dwellings) and site reserved for school, including infrastructure, ancillary facilities, open space and landscaping. Construction of new vehicle access. (Renewal of planning permission P1097/08/OUT)

Forest of Dean District Council – notification that Allaston Developments Ltd have now been granted permission to challenge the decision of the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government dated 21-12-15. A hearing has been listed for 13 June 2016 with an estimate of one day duration.

P0253/16/FUL – 11 Beauchamp Meadow, Lydney

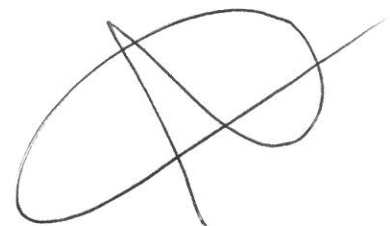
Granted Permission – Erection of a single storey rear extension to dwelling.

P0140/16/LD2 – 7 Victoria Road, Lydney

LDC Issued – Application under Section 192 for lowering of kerb at front of property to allow for vehicle parking

16. PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to report.



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17. **DELEGATED POWERS**

It was **proposed by Cllr Preest**, that Delegated Powers would be bestowed on an Officer and a minimum of two Members in order that they may address any planning applications requiring attention prior to the next Planning and Highway Committee Meeting in June. Unanimous.

18. **COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

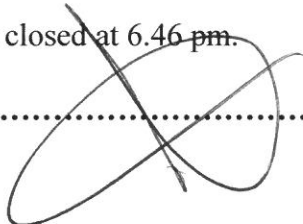
Cllr Preest requested that any minor highway defects be reported to himself in order that he may arrange for their resolution.

19. **MEETING DATES**

It was noted that there would be no designated Planning and Highway Committee meeting in May due to the Annual Council Meeting. Accordingly, the date of the next Planning & Highways Committee meeting would take place on Monday 13 June 2016 at 6.00 pm.

The meeting closed at 6.46 pm.

Chairman



Date

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