PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING - 2020/02/10 - 39

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Council Chamber, Claremont House, Lydney on Monday 10 February 2020 at 6.02 pm.

PRESENT: A Preest (Chairman), J Greenwood, S Stockham

Two members of the public

Cllr S Holmes

Mr D Kent - Town Clerk

Miss C Wheeler - Assistant Clerk - Minute Taker

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received and noted from Cllrs L Arnold and Leach.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Approval of the minutes of the Planning and Highway Committee meeting held on 13 January 2020 was **proposed by Cllr Greenwood**, **seconded by Cllr Preest**. Vote carried.

4. **OPEN FORUM**

Member of the public – spoke regarding planning application P1964/19/FUL, Land to the south of Cliff Farm, Naas Lane, Lydney; appraised Members of the innovative design and ecological features which had been incorporated in to the project; spoke on the intergenerational communal living opportunities which the project would facilitate.

Cllr S Holmes – noted that a number of businesses in Newerne Street had been requested to refrain from accepting deliveries at the front of their stores, however, such deliveries were still occurring. Cllr Holmes questioned if it would be possible for an approach to be made to Forest of Dean District Council to ascertain if they would be willing to create a designated delivery area in Newerne Street Car Park at the rear of the retail premises situated close to the Albert Street/Newerne Street junction and those opposite the Hams Road/Newerne Street junction. Cllr Holmes also noted that a time specific unloading restriction already existed this section of Newerne Street, however, signage for such was not evident. Accordingly, Cllr Holmes requested that such signage be displayed. Cllr Preest advised that the Clerk was already liaising with Gloucestershire County Council regarding the display of signage and that the issues relating to deliveries was an agenda item for later in the meeting. The Clerk gave a commitment to contact Forest of Dean District Council to explore the possibility of creating a designated delivery area in Newerne Street Car Park.

Action by - the Clerk

HIGHWAY, FOOTPATH AND TRANSPORT ISSUES

5. <u>TEMPORARY ROAD/FOOTPATH CLOSURES, CREATIONS/DIVERSIONS</u>

Road Closure

None.

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Footpath Closure/Diversion

None.

6. HIGHWAY CORRESPONDENCE

None.

7. STREET NAMES

During discussion Members were informed that three names had been suggested by Cllr Z Arnold, these being:

- Mr Terry Glastonbury
- Mr Callum Paskin
- Mr Tyler Davis

Members also suggested that the Council may wish to propose the names of the following former Lydney Town Councillors:-

- Mr Dave Street
- Mr Don Pugh

The Clerk advised that the Council would need to obtain the consent of the families of the above before their names could be submitted to Forest of Dean District Council for future street names.

Action by – the Clerk

Cllr S Holmes suggested that Members may also wish to consider reviewing historic maps of Lydney to revive some of the names which were no longer in use.

8. NEWERNE STREET & PRIMROSE HILL

Prior to the meeting Members were provided with a copy of a report on a site meeting which had taken place between the Clerk and Mr B Watkins, Local Highways Manager, Gloucestershire County Council.

It was noted that a location had been identified which could be used to relocate the Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) currently located on High Street and that Gloucestershire County Council had offered to conduct a speed survey for one week at a cost of £150.00.

Cllr Preest expressed a preference for the VAS to remain in its current location and he mooted the possibility of Gloucestershire County Council covering 50% of the cost of a new VAS once the Highways allocation for County Councillors was known. It was agreed that the matter would be an agenda item for the next meeting.

Action by - the Clerk



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The Clerk advised that he had met with Gloucestershire County Council's Local Highway Manager to discuss the issues which had been experienced with vehicles unloading in the vicinity of Hams Road/Newerne Street and Albert Street/Newerne Street junctions. As a result of the meeting it was discovered that a time specific unloading prohibition already existed. The Local Highway Manager had given a commitment to establish if the prohibited hours could be extended and if signage advertising the prohibition could be erected. The Clerk also advised that consideration had been given towards installing CCTV in the area to identify persistent offenders.

Due the to suggestion made by Cllr S Holmes as part of the Open Forum, the Clerk advised that he would also contact Forest of Dean District Council to ascertain if they would be willing to create a loading zone in the Newerne Street Car Park.

Action by - the Clerk

9. LYDNEY STREETWORKS

Prior to the meeting Members were provided with a report from the Clerk advising of extensive roadworks due to gas supply improvements which would be undertaken by Wales & West Utilities in Lydney from 16 March 2020. It was noted that the works would commence in Forest Road, then moving to Church Road with traffic being controlled by temporary traffic lights. The Clerk advised that the work may take up to six months to complete.

PLANNING ISSUES

10. TREE PRESERVATION ORDER

None.

11. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P0011/20/FUL – National Grid, Former Gasworks Site, Swan Road, Lydney Environmental improvement works (remediation) to include proposed limited site excavation, off-site disposal of contaminated shallow soils and the addition of imported capping materials up to 300mm in depth

No objection subject to consultation with Forest of Dean District Council's Land Contamination Officer in respect of their considered opinion

P1964/19/FUL – Mrs H Edmonds, Land to the South of Cliff Farm, Naas Lane, Lydney Erection of a detached dwelling with attached annexe pursuant to paragraph 79(e)) with associated access, parking, and landscaping works

No objection

P0005/20/DISCON – Persimmon Homes (East Wales), Land East of Par Four Lane, Lydney

Discharge of conditions 08 (bird and bat boxes) and 32 (LEMP) relating to planning permission P1399/18/FUL

Noted, however, Lydney Town Council would like to know if there was any dispensation for owls within the application

P0112/18/DISCON – Land off Driffield Road and Allaston Road Court Road, Lydney Discharge of Conditions 06 (Site Levels), 7 (Foul water drainage), 8 (Surface water drainage), 9 (Parking and manoeuvring), 12 (Footways/cycleway), 13 (Street

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management), 14 (Fire hydrants), 15 (Construction Method Statement), 20 (Archaeological works), 21 (Protected species method statement), 22 (Bat method statement), 24 (Landscape and ecological management plan) and 25 (Vegetation removal statement) for phase A only (as approved through P0043/18/DISCON) of planning permission P1284/13/OUT (allowed on appeal 2218921RD)

Noted

P0079/20/FUL – Mr M James, 47 Templeway West, Lydney Erection of a single storey side extension and associated works **No objection**

19/0025/FDMAJW — Lydney Skip Hire, Unit 37, Lydney Industrial Estate, Harbour Road, Lydney

Waste Recycling Facility

Additional information received – Gloucestershire County Council Application

Whilst Lydney Town Council note the additional information which has been provided, it wishes to reiterate that its original concerns still stand

P0015/20/DISCON – Persimmon Homes East Wales, Land East of Par Four Lane, Lydney

Discharge of condition 14 (remediation works) relating to planning permission P1399/18/FUL

Noted

P0016/20/DISCON – Persimmon Homes East Wales, Lane East of Par Four Lane, Lydney

Discharge of conditions 10 (Details and timeframe for delivery of play areas) and 11 (Management Prescriptions) of P1399/18/FUL

Noted

12. TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM FODDC

P1958/19/NONMAT – Land East of Par Four Lane, Lydney

Granted Permission – Non-material amendment to planning application P1399/18/FUL to allow for the addition of an electrical substation

P1839/19/PC3PA – Unit 2 & 3, 71 Newerne Street, Lydney

Prior Approval Approved – Prior approval for the change of use from retail (A1) to a café falling within (A3)

P1904/19/FUL – 95A Primrose Hill, Lydney

Granted Permission – Erection of a single storey garden room and store with associated works

P1879/19/FUL – 71 Templeway West, Lydney **Granted Permission** – Erection of a front porch

P1923/19/LD2 – 19 Templeway, Lydney

LDC Issued – Application under Section 192 to establish whether the conversion of attic space into additional accommodation and installation of x2 dormer windows require planning permission

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13. PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

None.

14. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Stockham advised that he had inspected the Lydney Cycleway and hoped to provide a report on the scheme for consideration at the next meeting. Cllr Preest advised that the Cycleway would be inspected by Officers from Gloucestershire County Council once the scheme had been completed; any issues would be identified and brought to the contractor's attention and an official opening would be planned for the future. Cllr Preest reminded Members that the scheme had been included in the NDP, LTP3, etc which had increased the success of funding applications to cover the cost of the scheme. Members were advised that the Council would be afforded the opportunity to participate in another project which Cllr Preest would raise at Full Council.

Cllr Greenwood expressed concern over the condition of the road to Purton which he felt was becoming unpassable unless using a 4 x 4 vehicle. Cllr Preest advised that the road had been scheduled for resurfacing, however, it had been impossible to remove mud from the road. During discussion concern was expressed over the condition of the roads throughout the County and Cllr Preest gave a commitment to push Lydney's case.

Cllr Preest advised that he had submitted a bid as County Councillor to remove the paving slabs from Lloyds Pharmacy to Greggs and replace with tarmac. Members were informed that the last quote which had been received amounted to £83,000.00.

Cllr S Holmes reported that that Cllr Harley had received a complaint due to the lack of a footpath between the new housing developments on Highfield Hill. Cllr Preest advised that difficulties had been experienced between the developers and he felt that a planning condition should have been included to stipulate that the footpath should have been provided prior to occupation of housing.

15. **MEETING DATES**

Members noted that the next scheduled meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee would take place on 9 March 2020.

The meeting closed at 6.53 pm.

take place on 5 March 2020.

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