

LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING – 2015/10/12 – 17

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Council Chamber, Claremont House, Lydney on Monday 12 October 2015 at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs A Preest (Chairman), B Berryman, R Christodoulides, J Greenwood, J Openshaw, B Pearman, D Pugh and C Vaughan
Mr S Stockham (co-opted 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**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Street.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Approval of the minutes of the Planning and Highway Committee meeting held on 14 September 2015 was **proposed by Cllr Pugh, seconded by Cllr Vaughan.** Unanimous.

Prior to the meeting Members were provided with a copy of the notes from the Delegated Powers meetings held on 21 September 2015. Noted.

4. **OPEN FORUM**

No members of the public in attendance.

5. **BUDGET 2016/2017**

Members were provided with a copy of the draft budgets which had been produced for 2016/2017 Financial Year for the Planning and Highway Committee and also for the Lydney Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP). Members were informed that the “corporate” element of the NDP budget for 2016/2017 had already been approved by the Personnel Committee.

After taking an opportunity to consider the draft budgets the following was proposed:

Planning and Highway Committee budget – 2016/2017 – it was **proposed by Cllr Pugh, seconded by Cllr Vaughan,** that the proposed budget of £5,250 would be approved. Unanimous.

NDP budget – 2016/2017 – it was **proposed by Cllr Berryman, seconded by Cllr Openshaw,** that the non-corporate proposed budget of £3,250 would be approved and that with the Corporate NDP element that the NDP budget equated to £16,005. Unanimous.



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HIGHWAY, FOOTPATH AND TRANSPORT ISSUES

6. **SIGNAGE**

County Cllr Preest reported that on 5 October 2015 he and the CEO had been advised by Mr B Watkins, Gloucestershire County Council that the relocation of the Vehicle Activated Sign from Highfield Road to Bream Road would be imminent. County Cllr Preest gave a commitment to continue to progress the matter.

7. **ROUNABOUT SPONSORSHIP (RE. LIB)**

Members were informed that discussions were still on-going with Mr B Watkins, Gloucestershire County Council, regarding the proposed improvements to the roundabout. The CEO advised that Travis Perkins Trading Company Limited had agreed to sponsor the Gateway signage and provide an annual donation of £1,000 towards the planting cost of same. Travis Perkins Trading Company Limited had also indicated that they were still interested in sponsoring the roundabout, should the other organisation withdraw their interest.

8. **GCC LENGTHSMAN SCHEME**

County Cllr Preest advised that the Lengthsman Scheme trial had now concluded at Lydney and was now being trialled in other areas. Members were informed that once the scheme had been trialled in a number of areas a report on the benefits of the scheme would be considered by Gloucestershire County Council's cabinet and County Cllr Preest gave a commitment to lobby for the continuation of the scheme, albeit with greater liaison being carried out with the CEO.

9. **GRIT BINS**

Members noted that grit bins for Lynwood Road and the junction of Bream Road/Grove Road have been ordered and delivery was awaited. Furthermore, that Mr B Watkins, Gloucestershire County Council had been asked to confirm that the aforementioned grit bins had been included on the County Council's replenishing list.

Members were then asked to consider requests for grit bins which had been received for the following locations:

- Entrance to Par Four Lane, Oakdale
- Sharp right hand bend on Springfield Road/Primrose Hill
- Replacement bin for Stanford Road/Grove Road
- Junction by 21 or 7 Woodland Rise

It was **proposed by Cllr Greenwood, seconded by Cllr Pearman** that grit bins would be purchased for the above locations at a cost of £78.25 each plus VAT and £40.00 delivery in addition to a sticker for each bin at £8.00 each plus VAT. Unanimous.

Action by – the CEO

After a short discussion Cllr Christodoulides requested that the CEO enquire if it would be possible for Gloucestershire County Council gritting lorries to grit the incline in Tutnalls Street when they grit the roads.

Action by – the CEO



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Cllr Vaughan was requested to inform the CEO of the two locations on Oakdale where she felt temporary blue grit bins should be located, with the matter being an agenda item for the next meeting.

Action by – Cllr Vaughan

10. JUNCTION ISSUES

Kimberley Road Junction

County Cllr Preest advised that signage had been erected in the area and that monitoring of the area would continue and advised that Mr B Watkins, Gloucestershire County Council felt speeding to be a problem throughout the Forest. Noting that the Community Safety Partnership provided use of mobile speed cameras for use by the Community, Cllr Pearman suggested that the Council may wish to investigate utilising said facility. Council Cllr Preest advised that this option was already being investigated; that he had received a written complaint regarding speeding which would be handed to the local Police.

The Willows Junction

County Cllr Preest reported that Mr B Watkins had advised that the matter had been passed to the Enforcement Team to address. However, Cllr Greenwood felt that the issue stemmed from the fact that the drains beneath the roadway were not taking the waste water away from the junction as he believed that they were blocked. County Cllr Preest agreed to clarify the action which would be taken by Mr Watkins.

Action by – County Cllr Preest

Orchard Road/Tutnalls Street Junction

Members noted that an e-mail had been sent to the Police regarding inconsiderate parking at the junction, to which a response was awaited.

11. TEMPORARY ROAD/FOOTPATH CLOSURES, CREATIONS/DIVERSIONS

Temporary Road Closure – FL25A – Avenue Andre Clement from 28 September 2015 to 16 October 2015

Temporary Road Closure – Naas Lane Level Crossing from 21:00 HRS to 07:00 HRS from 26th October 2015 to 30 October 2015

12. HIGHWAY CORRESPONDENCE

None received.

PLANNING ISSUES

13. OAKDALE

Provision of Rumble Strips

After seeking advice from Mr B Watkins, Gloucestershire County Council, Cllr Pearman advised that Gloucestershire County Council were reluctant to install rumble strips on the A48 approach to the roundabout as they feared that it would lead to noise complaints from residents who lived adjacent to the approach.

It was felt that numerous signage had been erected on the approach advising of the roundabout and that the accidents which had occurred were believed to be through lack of attention by drivers.

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Roundabout Adoption

County Cllr Preest advised that Gloucestershire County Council's delay in adopting the roundabout would not make any difference.

Attendance by Stakeholders at Meetings

It was noted that the CEO had raised Members' concerns regarding poor attendance/issue resolution with Stakeholders. Members were advised that Bromford Housing had stated that meetings would now proceed even if apologies for absence were received.

14. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P1205/15/FUL – 19 Highfield Road, Lydney

Creation of off-road parking, dropped kerb and removal of front walls **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SUBMITTED REGARDING VISIBILITY SPLAY/EXISTING PARKING**

Noted

P0081/15/DISCON – Persimmon Homes, Land at Highfield Road, Lydney

Discharge of condition (12) public open space relating to planning permission P1089/11/FUL

No objection, however, Lydney Town Council wish to reiterate that it will not take on any Public Open Space without considering each area on an individual basis; only then will it agree/decline such involvement

P1407/15/FUL – Lydney Golf Club, Naas Lane, Lydney

Variation of Condition (02) of planning permission DF12351 to allow extension of time for the siting of temporary Clubhouse building

No objection

P1140/15/PC3PA - European Plasma Technology Ltd, The Shop (Unit 6), Old Farmer Stores, Church Road, Lydney

Prior notification for the change of use from existing carpet retailer to a coffee shop

No objection

P1442/15/AG – Mr P Deighton, Purlieu Farm, The Purlieu, Lydney

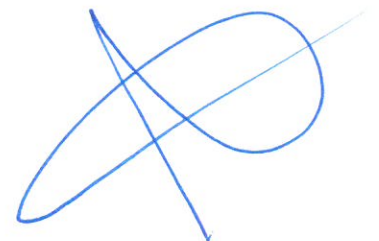
Prior notification for the erection of an open sided steel framed building to house livestock

No objection subject to a condition being included that the building must only be used for agricultural purposes

P1275/15/FUL – Tan-Y-Bryn, 5 Cross Hands, Lydney

Alterations and extensions to existing two storey dwelling, construction of new vehicular access to provide off road parking **REVISED PLANS**

No objection provided that consideration is given towards the provision of adequate visibility splays for the entrance



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15. **TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM FODDC**

P1327/15/TCA – 30 Victoria Road, Lydney

Granted Permission – Fell x 11 trees as identified at 30 Victoria Road.

P1181/15/FUL – Cherry Croft, Springfield Road, Lydney

Granted Permission – Part demolition of existing detached single garage including extension to garage to create additional space for disabled access.

P0561/15/OUT – 2 Naas Lane, Lydney

Granted Permission – Outline application for the erection of a 3 bedroom detached house using existing access. Creation of a new access to serve existing dwelling.

16. **PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE**

None received.

17. **COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

Cllr Vaughan expressed concern regarding pedestrian access to Oakdale and she enquired if any pressure could be brought to bear to ensure that the developer complied with their commitment of improving the access within one month. Cllr Preest advised that during a recent public consultation the developers had advised that they were undertaking work in respect of the bus lane to the development and it was hoped that the situation would be resolved shortly.

18. **MEETING DATES**

It was noted that the next meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee would take place on Monday 9 November 2015 at 6.00 pm.

The meeting closed at 6.39 pm.

Chairman

Date 9th / 11 / 15