

LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING – 2015/07/13 – 06

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE MEETING held in the Council Chamber, Claremont House, Lydney on Monday 13 July 2015 at 6.00 pm.

PRESENT: Cllrs A Preest (Chairman), R Christodoulides, J Openshaw (late arrival), B Pearman, D Street and C Vaughan

Cllr C Harris
District Cllr J Bevan
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. All attendees were then informed of the locations of the nearest fire exits.

1. **ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

It was **proposed by Cllr Vaughan, seconded by Cllr Christodoulides**, that Cllr B Pearman be elected to the position. There being no other no other nominations Cllr Pearman's nomination was put to a vote. Unanimous.

2. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies for absence were received and noted from Cllrs Berryman and Greenwood

Cllr Openshaw arrived at this point.

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None.

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Approval of the minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee meeting held on 8 June 2015 were **proposed by Cllr Pearman, seconded by Cllr Street**, subject to a correction that the reference to FLY/87 against P0278/15/FUL should have been allocated to the application relating to Crump Farm. Unanimous.

5. **OPEN FORUM**

Mr W Owen, 3 Augustus Way, Lydney – Relating to agenda item 5, Mr Owen felt that items brought forward under the Open Forum should not need to be only those listed on the Agenda. A Point of Order was called by Cllr Preest who reminded all present that the format of the Open Forum had been agreed by Full Council as part of its Standing Orders and Mr Owen was advised that he could write to the Council if he wished to raise any issue which was not an agenda item.

HIGHWAY, FOOTPATH AND TRANSPORT ISSUES

6. **SIGNAGE**

Federal Mogul/JD Norman signage

County Cllr Preest stated that he, together with Cllr Pearman and the CEO had recently met with Mr B Watkins, Gloucestershire County Council, and advised that signage

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would be located on both the junction at Cross Hands and the Lydney/Aylburton Roundabout advising of the correct route to be taken to access JD Norman.

During discussion concern was expressed as lorries were still attempting to access JD Norman from Hams Road/Tutnalls Street despite the aforementioned signs already been in situ. It was felt that the only option to fully resolve the issue would be if J D Norman were to be provided with a unique postcode. It was **proposed by Cllr Pearman, seconded by Cllr Preest**, that the CEO would contact the Local Planning Authority to explain the issues which were being experienced and to ascertain if they would be willing to raise the matter with Royal Mail. Unanimous.

Action by – the CEO

Lydney In Bloom

Due to the requirement to obtain formal planning consent for the sponsorship signs which would need to be of a uniform appearance, the CEO advised that she was in discussion with Travis Perkins to ascertain if they still wished to continue with their sponsorship of the roundabouts using a standardised sign. Members were advised that if the organisation did not wish to continue a second organisation had expressed an interest in sponsoring the roundabouts; said interest would then be pursued and the sponsorship payment refunded to Travis Perkins. Noted.

7. TEMPORARY ROAD/FOOTPATH CLOSURES, CREATIONS/DIVERSIONS

No matters to report.

8. HIGHWAY CORRESPONDENCE

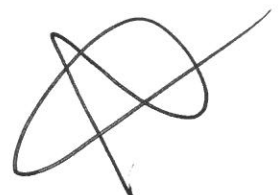
- Letter from Gloucestershire County Council re. waiting restrictions – various roads in the Forest of Dean, including Lydney. Noted.

County Cllr Preest expressed delight that double yellow lines had at last been installed on Bream Road in order to address the problem of anti-social parking outside Lydney C of E School. A number of Councillors advised that they had received supportive comments from residents/the public regarding the installation of the double yellow lines.

9. OAKDALE

Prior to the meeting Members were provided with a copy of the letter which had been received from pupils at Severnbanks Primary School, together with a copy of the response which had been tendered by the CEO. Noted.

Members also noted that the next Oakdale Stakeholder meeting would take place on 8 September 2015.



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PLANNING ISSUES

10. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P0853/15/FUL – 27 Grove Road, Lydney

Erection of a replacement dwelling and associated works

No objection

P0742/15/FUL – Mr Stenner, 24 Church Road, Lydney

Single storey rear extension to provide kitchen/diner

No objection

P0837/15/FUL – Mr D Burns, 9 Hadrian Close, Lydney

Erection of a balcony at first floor to existing dwelling

No objection

P0896/15/ADV – Lydney Town Council, Various locations in Lydney

Advertisement consent to display sponsorships at various locations in Lydney

Noted

P0987/15/FUL – Miss & Mr S & D James & Harris, 17 Primrose Way, Lydney

No objection

11. TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS RECEIVED FROM FODDC

P0600/15/LD2 – Beverley, Highfield Road, Lydney

LDC Issued – Application under Section 192 to convert existing attached car port into additional living accommodation.

P0503/15/FUL – Primrose Hill Post Office, 56 Primrose Hill, Lydney

Granted Permission – Alterations and refurbishment of existing cottage. (Demolition of flat roofed post office and shop). Rebuilding/re-roofing of existing store building (Part retrospective).

P1892/14/LD2 – Bradgate, Highfield Road, Lydney

LDC Issued – Lawful Development Certificate under Section 192 for removal of existing brick built garage and replacement prefabricated, detached, freestanding unit.

P0887/15/FUL – 4 The Bungalow, Mount Pleasant, Lydney

Application withdrawn – Erection of a 2.5m fence to the rear garden of dwelling.

P0804/15/TPO – Land between Crump Farm and Rodley Manor, Lydney

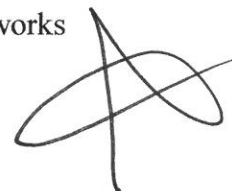
Granted Permission – Works to trees covered by TPO171 & TPO173 as set out in the submitted details.

P0735/15/FUL – 55 Naas Lane, Lydney

Granted Permission – Proposed single storey rear extension to form additional bedroom.

P0640/15/FUL – Land at San Cris, Court Road, Lydney

Granted Permission – Erection of a detached dwelling, garage and ancillary works



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P0502/15/FUL – Land Adjoining 56 Primrose Hill, Primrose Hill, Lydney
Application Refused – Erection of a 3 bed detached dwelling

Licencing Decisions

Martin McColl Ltd, 67 Newerne Street, Lydney

Notification that Premises Licence (Off Sales of Alcohol) for the above has been granted.

12. DELEGATED POWERS

It was **proposed by Cllr Pearman, seconded by Cllr Openshaw**, that Delegated Powers would be bestowed on the CEO and Two Members of the Planning and Highway Committee (LGA 1974 s101) in order that any urgent planning applications may be considered within the requisite timeframe during the August Recess. Unanimous.

13. LYDNEY TOWN COUNCIL: REPRESENTATION AT FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING MEETINGS/APEAL HEARINGS

Members were asked to consider if they wished to “stand on” with the Committee’s previous resolution that the Council would continue with the CEO formulating the Council’s verbal response from the minutes of the Committee meeting where the application was originally discussed and would discuss/embellish in line with known material considerations, as considered appropriate by Committee, in consultation with the Member who was to present said report.

Members were also asked to consider their previous resolution that the Council would register to speak on any/all relevant Lydney Planning Applications.

A number of Councillors spoke in support on continuing with the aforementioned arrangement; County Cllr Preest expressed his disappointment that Gloucestershire County Council had been prevented, as Lead Local Flood Authority, from speaking on an application in said capacity due to the application being submitted three weeks prior to the Authority taking on the role. Furthermore, County Cllr Preest advised that the County Council had elected to take on two additional officers to handle the volume of work which the new responsibility would create across the County.

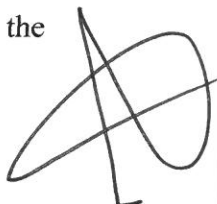
After a short discussion it was **proposed by Cllr Preest, seconded by Cllr Pearman**, that Cllr Preest would be registered to speak on behalf of the Town Council concerning application P0361/15/OUT which would be discussed at the District Council’s Planning Committee meeting which would take place the following day. Unanimous.

It was then **proposed by Cllr Pearman, seconded by Cllr Openshaw**, that the Council would “stand on” with both its aforementioned resolutions. Unanimous.

14. FORWARD PLANNING

Prior to the meeting Members were provided with a copy of an e-mail exchanged between the CEO and the Group Manager – Planning and Housing, Forest of Dean District Council, regarding a meeting to aid Members’ comprehension of the District Council’s vision/planning services for the Town.

It was anticipated that the Officer and the relevant Cabinet Member would attend the September Planning and Highway Committee meeting.



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15. PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE

- Response received from Forest of Dean District Council Licensing Department re. Town Council's material consideration which had been submitted in respect of the Premises Licence Application re Martins, 67 Newerne Street, Lydney

16. COUNCILLORS REPORTS

Cllr Vaughan noted that the Executive Officer had ascertained which organisation was responsible for cutting grassed areas outside Severnbanks School and the junction of Severnbanks Avenue, however, she expressed concern over the County Council's decision to only cut the grass a small number of times per year.

Members noted that the Executive Officer was in the process of compiling a map illustrating which organisation undertook grass cutting in the Town and the CEO advised that the matter would be a future agenda item for the Amenities Committee in order that they may consider if they wished to undertake any further grass cutting work in partnership with Gloucestershire County Council.

17. MEETING DATES

It was noted that the next meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee would take place on Monday 14 September 2015 at 6.00 pm.

The meeting closed at 6.37 pm.

Chairman

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