

CREWKERNE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of an informal meeting of the PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE held remotely on Monday 10 May 2021 at 6.45 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllrs. R. Cottle (Chairman), C. Aslett, M. Best, K. Head, B. Hodgson, R. Pailthorpe, J. Roberts, A. Samuel, A. Stuart and D. Wakeman.

In attendance:

The Clerk P. Davidson, Deputy Clerk L. Gowers and T. Bond (Councillor designate)

01 TO NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

21/22

Apologies were received from Cllr. J. Roundell Greene (personal)

02 OPEN FORUM

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Nobody wished to speak.

03 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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It was AGREED that the minutes of the Planning and Highways Committee held on Monday 12 April 2021 be APPROVED.

04 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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None.

05 TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S UPDATE REPORT

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The Clerk updated the following actions from the Status Action Report:

- A response had been received from Highways regarding the request from a member of the public for information about the consultation for the North Street One Way system. Highways confirmed that the consultation had been in the form of a letter drop in 2014. They also confirmed that there would be a wider information exercise once the development of the link road within the key site in Crewkerne was underway.
- The poster for the anti-dog fouling campaign had now been printed and would be put up in various locations.

06 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

21/22

21/01152/NMA Crewkerne Key Site 1 Land East Of Crewkerne Between A30 And A356 Yeovil Road Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7HE
Application for a Non-Material Amendment to planning permission 19/03483/S73 to remove approximately 50m of footpath and cycleway and replacement in a new location to allow the retention of trees along Station Road (A356).
This application was considered along with 21/01156/NMA

- 21/01156/NMA** **Crewkerne Key Site 1 Land East Of Crewkerne Between A30 And A356 Yeovil Road Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7HE**
 Application for a Non-Material Amendment to planning permission 19/03482/S73 to remove approximately 50m of footpath and cycleway and replacement in a new location to allow the retention of trees along Station Road (A356).
 Both applications for non-material amendments were noted. Crewkerne Town Council supported both the applications, but with a recommendation that SSDC revisit with Taylor Wimpey the question of separate footpaths and cycleways.
 It was agreed that Taylor Wimpy should be thanked for amending the previous application to allow the mature lime trees to remain.
- 21/00729/ADV** **7-8 Falkland Square Crewkerne TA18 7JS**
 The display of 2 No. non illuminated fascia signs.
 RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- 21/00728/FUL** **7-8 Falkland Square Crewkerne TA18 7JS**
 Change of use of premises for a proposed shop-fit for Robert Frith Optometrists.
 RECOMMEND APPROVAL

07 **TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISION NOTICES FROM THE DISTRICT**
21/22 **COUNCIL**

- 21/00048/HOU** **Beechfields Mount Pleasant Crewkerne TA18 7AH|**
 Replace sunroom and construct additional dormer windows
APPROVED
- 21/00532/TCA** **1 Mount Pleasant Crewkerne TA18 7AH**
 Notification to fell No.01 tree within a conservation area
DECIDED – No TPO necessary
- 21/00657/HOU** **5 Bushfield Road Crewkerne TA18 8HL**
 Demolition of existing garage and store and erection of two storey and single storey extension.
APPROVED
- 21/00756/TCA** **Chant Trees Foundry Square Crewkerne TA18 8HB**
 Notification of intent to fell No.01 tree within a conservation area
DECIDED – No TPO necessary
- 21/00777/TCA** **3 Church Street Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7HR**
 Notification of intent to carry out tree surgery works to No.04 trees within a Conservation Area
DECIDED - No TPO necessary
- 21/00780/TCA** **Woodlands Mount Pleasant Crewkerne Somerset TA18 7AH**
 Notification of intent to carry out tree surgery works to No.01 tree and to fell No. 1 tree within a Conservation Area
DECIDED – No TPO necessary

21/00915/TPO

57 Lyme Road Crewkerne TA18 8HF

Application to carry out tree works to No.01 tree included within South Somerset District Council Tree Preservation Order (CREW 1) 2006.

APPROVED

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DECLASSIFICATION OF A356

21/22

To receive an update from the Deputy Clerk

The Deputy Clerk reported that Highways had responded to a request to investigate the process to declassify the A356.

Highways would need to understand the reasons behind the request. Their comments were:

- Traffic volume was unlikely to decrease unless there were more suitable routes available.
- Where would the displaced traffic, assuming it was displaced, relocate to.
- Surveys would be required to understand the implications of declassification of the A356.
- Changes to a significant number of road signs would be required.
- Highways would be unlikely to meet the financial burden that this project would create.

Councillors noted that there was likely to be a very significant financial cost to implement such a project, with no guarantee of success. It was also recognised that agreement would be needed for the full length of the A356 to be declassified, which meant both the Somerset and the Dorset sections of the road. It was therefore agreed that the 3 main town or parish councils along the A356 in Dorset should be contacted to see if they would support this project. If there was an agreement to support declassification of the A356, then the project should be brought to a future Full Town Council meeting for further consideration.

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TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATION TO HIGHWAYS OF YELLOW LINES AT THE TOP OF LYEWATER TO DISCOURAGE PARKING ON THE JUNCTION WITH BARN STREET

21/22

PC Nally had previously been in contact with Highways regarding inconsiderate parking on the junction of Lyewater and Barn Street. Highways required the support of the Town Council before taking any action. It was AGREED to support the request for installation of parking restrictions on this junction.

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TO RECEIVE ANY OTHER MATTERS OF REPORT

21/22

Cllr Aslett reported:

- SSDC Planning Department had confirmed to him that Bar 5 and Bar 7 were now licenced as a single entity. Further investigation would continue, by SSDC, regarding any internal changes made to a listed property.
- He and Cllr Pailthorpe had met a member of the public who had concerns that owners of a listed property in Abbey Street had changed its roofing material without consent.

Cllr. Pailthorpe reported that the roll out of Electric Vehicle charging points, by SSDC, was continuing. They would be located at the South Street car park and also the Millers Garage car park.

Cllr. Wakeman acknowledged that he had received an email from a member of the public regarding a folder of information sent by SSDC to the planning inspectorate for the appeal against the decision to refuse the development of 150 homes on land at the top of KitHill. There was some concern that the folder was not sent, but Cllr. Wakeman also acknowledged that this was for SSDC to investigate rather than the Town Council.

11 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

21/22

Monday 14 June 2021 at 6.45 p.m.

The meeting closed at 7.15 p.m.

Signed:

Dated: