

CREWKERNE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE held in the Council Chamber on Monday 12 November 2018 at 6.45 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllrs. M. Best (Chairman), C. Aslett, P. Bradly, B. Hodgson, Mrs R. Jackson, Miss K. Pritchard, Mrs A. Singleton, N. Sturtivant and D. Wakeman.

In attendance:

Town Clerk Mr P. Davidson, Deputy Clerk Ms L. Gowers, Amenities Operations Manager Mr M. Jay and 5 members of the public.

51 APOLOGIES

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Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Mrs K. Head (personal), R. Pailthorpe (unwell) and Mrs A. Stuart (personal).

52 OPEN FORUM

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No one wished to speak.

53 TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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It was **AGREED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Planning and Highways Committee held on Monday 15 October 2018 be **APPROVED**.

54 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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There were no declarations of interest.

55 TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S UPDATE REPORT

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The Deputy Clerk reported:

- County Council had announced a reduction in the percentage of the road network that would be gritted in Somerset this winter. The A30 and A356 through Crewkerne would continue to be treated, but roads through surrounding villages would not.
- The option, offered by County Council, of renting Speed Indicator Device equipment had been withdrawn as not enough communities had expressed an interest. The other option would be to purchase a SID for the town at a cost of approximately £3000.
- The County Council traffic engineer had responded to an enquiry made to restrict deliveries to shops in Market Street during the day, to help ease congestion. He did not consider this viable for Crewkerne in respect of Traffic Regulation Orders as it was only for zones and all business would need to approve.
- Cllr. Mrs Head and Deputy Clerk met a disabled resident and walked the town to identify areas within the town that were restrictive to less able residents. Two areas were identified (a metal kissing gate in the industrial estate and a squeeze gate on a footpath). Somerset Heritage and the Footpaths Officer had worked together to remove both. A letter of thanks had been received from Crewkerne Action for the Disabled.

- Information had been received from County Council that they proposed to carry out a comprehensive review of on-street parking controls. A full consultation exercise would take place for each town, although Crewkerne would not be part of the first review.

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TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- 18/02895/LBC** **23 North Street, Crewkerne TA18 7AL**
18/02894/HOU The carrying out of external alterations including extending rear boundary wall, replacement flat roof and decking on top, replacement railings to decked area, new back door, new roof tiles and skylight and erection of a shed (retrospective).
RECOMMEND APPROVAL subject to Conservation Officer approval
- 18/03056/FUL** **16 Falkland Square, Crewkerne TA18 7JS**
 External alterations to include new shopfront infill section.
RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- 18/03057/ADV** **16 Falkland Square, Crewkerne TA18 7JS**
 The display of 2 no. externally illuminated fascia signs, 1 no. non-illuminated fascia sign and 5 no. half height vinyl sections to shopfront.
RECOMMEND APPROVAL but with the condition that the illumination is switched off when the business is not open.

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TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISION NOTICES FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCIL

- 18/01874/FUL** **Chapel House, Hermitage Street, Crewkerne TA18 8ES**
 The construction of a dual pitch rear dormer and adjacent flat roof terrace.
PERMISSION GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS
- 18/02497/FUL** **21 Langmead Road, Crewkerne TA18 8DY**
 The erection of a two storey rear extension to dwelling.
PERMISSION GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS
- 18/02793/HOU** **61 Lyme Road, Crewkerne TA18 8HF**
 Erection of a single storey to form kitchen, dining area and conservatory.
PERMISSION GRANTED WITH CONDITIONS

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TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF GRIT BINS IN KEY LOCATIONS IN CREWKERNE

Councillors acknowledged that grit bins would be potentially beneficial in some areas of the town. However, concern was expressed about costs, the amount of staff time involved, the storage space required and whether special equipment was needed. It was agreed that more background work was required to understand the overall cost implications and what options were available, including the possibility of out-sourcing the work.

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18/19 **TO APPROVE A SECTION OF HENHAYES CAR PARK TO BE USED FOR MOBILE BREAST SCREENING IN DECEMBER**

Councillors **AGREED** the use of the Henhayes Car Park for the mobile breast screening unit in December.

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18/19 **TO RECEIVE ANY OTHER MATTERS OF REPORT**

Cllr. Wakeman had been approached by a member of the public who had witnessed a near miss involving a child and a vehicle on Lang Road. Cllr. Wakeman asked that “School” signs should be installed at both ends of Lang Road. It was also noted that there was only one 30mph sign on the entrance to Lang Road from Cathole Bridge Road, rather than two.

Cllr. Best informed Councillors that he was meeting the highways engineer later in the week and would make him aware of both points.

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18/19 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 14 January 2019 at 6.45 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

The meeting closed at 7.05 p.m.

Signed:

Dated: