

CREWKERNE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of a remote meeting of the PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE on Monday 14 September 2020 at 6.45 p.m.

PRESENT:

Cllrs. R. Pailthorpe (Chairman), M. Best, R. Cottle, K. Head, B. Hartshorn, B. Hodgson, J. Roberts, J. Roundell Greene, A. Stuart and D. Wakeman.

In attendance:

Town Clerk P. Davidson, Deputy Clerk L. Gowers, 1 member of the press and 8 members of the public

31 TO NOTE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

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Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. C. Aslett (personal) and A. Smith (personal).

32 OPEN FORUM

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Two members of the public spoke on the following subjects:

- Speeding traffic along West Street. Cars rev their engines and race up West Street, particularly in the evening. The member of the public proposed a solution, which was to move the parked cars and the yellow lines from one side of the street to the other, preventing a clear view of the hill. Cllr Best confirmed that he was due to meet a traffic engineer from Highways and the speed of traffic on West Street would form part of the discussion.
- Tree planting project at Barn Street Recreation Ground. The member of the public re-iterated that the proposed number of trees may spoil the open space enjoyed by many and requested that the Council put the proposal on hold to allow time for a wider public consultation.

Cllr. A Stuart joined the meeting.

33 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 10 August 2020 be **APPROVED**.

34 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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Cllr. Head declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 6, planning applications 20/02009/HOU and 20/02010/LBC (14 Church Street).

Cllr Stuart declared a personal interest in agenda item 9, correspondence regarding speeding traffic in Broadshard.

35 TO RECEIVE THE CLERK'S UPDATE REPORT

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The Deputy Clerk had nothing to report.

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TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS

20/02403/DPO **Land Adjacent Ashlands, Ashlands Road, Crewkerne TA18 7DA**
Application for the variation of paragraph (c) in the first schedule of the legal agreement s106 dated 16/04/2003 for application 98/00567/OUT - grant of licences - to allow for the adoption of the eastern boundary strip by South Somerset District Council.
TO NOTE ONLY

20/02010/LBC **14 Church Street, Crewkerne TA18 7HU**
20/02009/HOU The erection of a single storey rear extension (revised application)
RECOMMEND APPROVAL

20/01853/FUL **Flat First Floor, 12A South Street, Crewkerne TA18 8DA**
Installation of a velux window to the rear elevation, and removal and capping off a damaged chimney stack.
RECOMMEND APPROVAL

To note only:
20/02488/TCA **Beechfields, Mount Pleasant, Crewkerne TA18 7AH**
Notification of intent to carry out Tree Surgery Works to Various Trees within a Conservation Area
NOTED

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TO RECEIVE PLANNING DECISION NOTICES FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCIL

20/02099/TCA **The Hermitage, Pulmans Lane, Crewkerne TA18 8HA**
Notification of intention to fell No 2 trees within a conservation area
DECIDED

20/01777/TPO **11 Aspen Way Crewkerne TA18 7DG**
Application to carry out tree surgery works to no. 2 trees within the South Somerset District Council (CREW 1) 1988 Tree Preservation Order
APPROVED

19/03239/FUL **Land Rear Of 25 To 31 Chubbs Lawn, Middle Path, Crewkerne**
Erection of bungalow and associated parking
APPROVED

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KITHILL DEVELOPMENT

To receive an update on the action to seek legal advice over the appeal decision

Cllr Pailthorpe re-iterated that the council were not seeking to appeal against the appeal decision but were seeking legal advice regarding any unlawful conduct which may have taken place during the appeal process. The Deputy Clerk reported that the barrister had

looked at the case and did not consider that any lawful processes had been breached. A second opinion from a fellow barrister was being sought.

Cllr. Best reported that the date of the inspector's visit was now in dispute and that the inspector claimed to have made his visit prior to the Covid lockdown. Cllr. Best also reported that the leader of South Somerset District Council had requested information from the Chief Planner regarding the information sent through to the inspectorate. Cllr. Pailthorpe requested that this item stayed on the agenda until a satisfactory conclusion was reached.

39 **CORRESPONDENCE**

20/21 **To receive correspondence from residents regarding speeding traffic in Broadshard**

The correspondence was noted. A number of measures were discussed to slow the traffic, including a 20mph zone through the town, traffic calming and Community Speedwatch. It was agreed that Community Speedwatch was a good deterrent against speeding vehicles but relied on volunteers. Council would support any volunteers who wished to be involved. The Deputy Clerk was also asked to investigate costings for the purchase of a mobile speed indicator device.

40 **TO RECEIVE ANY OTHER MATTERS OF REPORT**

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Cllr. Wakeman reported that drivers from the kebab shop on the corner of Hermitage Street ignored the No Entry sign and frequently turned on to Market Street. Cllr. Best asked that anyone witnessing this type of action should report it via 101.

Cllr. Stuart reported that the beacons on the zebra crossings on Mount Pleasant and South Street were not working.

Cllr. Best confirmed that he would raise all points with the traffic engineer. The meeting had originally been organised as the majority of road markings in the town centre were fading, after less than a year of being newly painted, particularly on the mini roundabout by the Town Hall.

41 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

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Monday 12 October 2020 at 6.45 p.m.

The meeting closed at 7.20 p.m.

Signed:

Dated: