

## **WEST WILTSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL**

### **MINUTES**

Minutes of the: **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Held on: **THURSDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2004**

Held in: **THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES,  
BRADLEY ROAD, TROWBRIDGE**

Present:

Councillors: March (Chairman), Blakemore, Burnan OBE, Carbin, Chivers,  
Clark, John Clegg, Marion Clegg, Cunliffe-Jones, Fortescue,  
Hawker, James, Knight, Lewis, Oakman, Repton and Viles

Also in attendance:

Officers: Development Control Manager, Principal Planning Officer  
(C.C), Principal Planning Officer (R.M), Legal and Democratic  
Services Manager, Member Support Assistant (MS)

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#### **193 APOLOGIES & CHANGES TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMITTEE**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Cox, Osborn, Newbury and Rosier

The following temporary changes to membership were made:

Councillor Oakman replaced Councillor Cox  
Councillor James replaced Councillor Osborn  
Councillor Rosier replaced Councillor Lewis  
Councillor Syme was authorised to replace Councillor Newbury but was not in attendance.

#### **194 OPEN FORUM**

For open forum presentations in respect of planning applications please refer to minute number 199.

## **195     MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 26 August 2004 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman subject to the following amendments. Councillor Clark asked that the conditions for planning application 03/01361 noted on pages 5 – 7 of the minutes should be amended to include condition 11 as shown on the previous permission for the site. Amended minutes to be approved by the Chair.

## **196     DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**04/00370/FUL – Erection of Art Gallery and Exhibition Hall – Public Conveniences, Wicker Hill, Trowbridge**

**04/01294/FUL – Off Road Parking – 24 British Road, Trowbridge**

**04/01293/FUL – Off Road Parking – 38 Seymour Road, Trowbridge**

Councillor Burnan, Blakemore and Knight declared their interests in these applications, as they are members of Trowbridge Town Council Planning Committee. Councillor Burnan has also been lobbied for application 04/00370/FUL.

Councillor James declared an interest in all of the above as he is a member of Trowbridge Town Development Committee

Councillor March declared he was a member of the Warminster Town Advisory Committee

**04/01258/FUL – Two storey side extension – 15 Pintail Way, Westbury**

Councillor's Hawker and Clegg reported they were members of Westbury Town Council Planning Committee. Councillor Hawker assured the Chair that he would consider the application with an open mind.

**04/01323/FUL – Side and rear extension – 30 Westbury View, Melksham**

Councillor Oakman declared he was a member on Melksham Town Council Planning Committee

**04/01152/FUL – Erection of 2.4m high mesh fencing – St Laurence School, Ashley Road, Bradford on Avon**

Councillor Carbin declared a personal interest in this application as his daughter is a pupil at the school and his wife is employed by the school. Principal Planning Officer Rosie MacGregor declared a personal interest in this application as her son is a pupil at the school.

## **197     QUESTIONS**

No questions were received.

## **198     ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN**

The Chairman announced that this would be the last Planning Committee that Baljit Tiwana, Developmental Control Manager would be attending, as she would be leaving the authority tomorrow. He said it was a very sad occasion but wished her the very best of luck for the future.

Councillor Chivers, with the Chairman's consent, said she had done a superb job, as had all the planning team and that everyone will miss her. These sentiments were echoed by other members.

The Chairman advised members that Christine Caistor would now be Acting Developmental Control Manager until 8<sup>th</sup> November when David Hubbard takes up the post. Peter Westbury will be replacing Shaun Whitfield as Principal Planning Officer (Commercial) and Rosie MacGregor is now Principal Planning Officer.

## **199     PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Open Forum speakers:

<b>Application</b>	<b>Speaker(s)</b>
04/01362/FUL – 63 Highbury Park, Warminster	Mr Elliott, Mr Grist
04/00370/FUL – Wicker Hill, Trowbridge	Mr Bridges, Mr Webb, Mr Rothschild
04/00980/FUL – 12 Ashley Place, Warminster	Mr Grist
04/00836/FUL – Lower Marsh Road, Warminster	Mr Chapman
04/01258/FUL – 15 Pintail Way, Westbury	Mrs Ball, Mr Hael
04/01152/FUL – St Laurence School, Ashley Road, Bradford on Avon	Mr Colquhoun
04/01323/FUL – 30 Westbury View, Melksham	Mr Booth

### **Decisions made against officers' recommendation**

#### **04/00370/FUL – Art Gallery and Exhibition Hall, Wicker Hill, Trowbridge**

This application was recommended for refusal by officers but the Committee decided to grant planning permission for reasons detailed in the appendix to these minutes.

#### **04/01294/FUL – Off road parking – 24 British Row, Trowbridge**

This application was recommended for permission by officers, but the Committee decided to refuse planning permission for the reasons set out in the appendix to these minutes.

**04/01293/FUL – Off road parking – 38 Seymour Road, Trowbridge**

This application was recommended for permission by officers, but the Committee decided to refuse planning permission for the reasons set out in the appendix to these minutes.

**04/01323/FUL – Side and rear extension - 30 Westbury View, Melksham**

This application was recommended for permission by officers, but the Committee decided to defer a decision until a site visit had been made.

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) **That the list of delegated decisions made since the last meeting be received and noted.**
- (b) **To make decisions on planning and related applications as set out in the appendix to these minutes**
- (c) **04/01323/FUL – 30 Westbury View, Melksham**

**That the above application be deferred for a site inspection to be held on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 4.30pm and that the application be considered by the Planning Committee at its meeting that evening starting at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber at the Council Offices, Bradley Road, Trowbridge**

**Recorded Votes**

04/01362/FUL – 63 Highbury Park, Warminster

Councillor's Viles and Clark requested that their votes AGAINST the decision to grant planning permission be recorded.

04/00370/FUL – Wicker Hill, Trowbridge

Councillor Blakemore requested that his vote AGAINST the decision to grant planning permission be recorded.

04/01294/FUL – 24 British Row, Trowbridge

Councillor Blakemore requested that his vote AGAINST the decision to refuse to grant planning permission be recorded.

**Attendance**

04/00370/FUL – Wicker Hill, Trowbridge – Councillor Chivers left the meeting during this item and returned during application 04/01288/FUL – 4 Kingston Avenue, Bradford on Avon. Councillor James left at the end of this application and returned during application 04/ 00980/FUL – 12 Ashley Place, Warminster.

04/01288/FUL – 4 Kingston Avenue, Bradford on Avon – Councillor Knight left the meeting during this application and returned at the end of this application

04/00980/FUL – 12 Ashley Place, Warminster – Councillor Lewis left the meeting during this item and returned at the end of application 04/00836/FUL – Lower Marsh Road, Warminster. Councillor Repton left the meeting at the end of this application and returned to the meeting during 04/00836/FUL – Lower Marsh Road, Warminster

04/00836/FUL – Lower Marsh Road, Warminster - Councillor Hawker left the meeting during this item and returned to the meeting during this item as did Councillor Oakman

04/01152/FUL – St Laurence School, Ashley Road, Bradford on Avon – Councillor Blakemore left the meeting and returned during this application. Councillor Lewis left the Chamber during this application and did not return to the meeting.

04/01351/ADV – Councillor Clark left the meeting during this application and also returned to the meeting during this item.

Councillor Cunliffe – Jones and Councillor Repton left the Chamber at the end of item 7 – Planning Applications - on the agenda and did not return to the meeting

Councillor Carbin left the Chamber at the end of item 10 – Representatives on Outside Bodies – before the meeting had closed.

## **200     PLANNING APPEALS - UPDATE**

Details of planning appeals to date were presented to the Committee.

**RESOLVED:**            **That the report be noted.**

## **201     REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES**

No reports were made.

## **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next ordinary meeting was scheduled for 7 October 2004 at 7.00pm in the Council Chamber, at the Council Offices, Bradley Road, Trowbridge.

(7.00pm – 9.55pm)

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