

Midsomer Norton Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held in the Town Hall, The Island, Midsomer Norton on Monday 19th September 2011 commencing at 7.00 pm

Present: Chair of Committee: Cllr P Moccock

Committee Members: Cllr P Myers (Mayor), Cllr Mrs L Dunford (Deputy Mayor), Cllr B Lawrence (Vice Chair), Cllr S Plumley, Cllr J Slade

Other Councillors Present: Cllr Mrs L Robertson

Also Present: There were no Members of the Public or Press present

In attendance: Michael Curry (Town Clerk)
Mrs Carole Sims (Administrative Assistant)

12. Fire Safety – Evacuation Procedure

Members of the Committee were asked to note the fire safety procedure as detailed in the Agenda.

13. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Miss J Lewis due to an unforeseen circumstance.

Resolved: To accept the apology with the reason given.

14. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the meeting of the last ordinary meeting of the Planning Committee held on Monday 15th August 2011 be signed and adopted as a correct record.

15. Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest made at the meeting.

16. Exclusion of the Press and Public

To agree any items be dealt with after the Public (including the Press) had been excluded under Standing Order 28.1.

Resolved: That Agenda Item 24 be treated as confidential and dealt with after the Public (including the Press) had been excluded.

PLANNING

17. Planning Applications for Consideration

The Committee considered a schedule of applications for planning consent that had been submitted for consultation by the local planning authority.

- a. 11/03248/FUL (2011/12/038) Flowco Limited, Unit 28, Midsomer Norton Enterprise Park, MSN BA3 2BB
Installation of new windows in front elevation at first floor level.

Recommended Approval

- b. 11/03254/FUL (2011/12/039) Paul Snelling, Nerak, 65A Withies Park, Midsomer Norton
Erection of side and rear extensions to bungalow and a detached garage following demolition of existing garage and rear porch.

Recommended Approval

- c. 11/03314/AR (2011/12/040) Britannia, Key Norton House, 71 High Street, Midsomer Norton
Display of 2 internally illuminated window panels.

Recommended Approval

- d. 11/03203/FUL (2011/12/041) Mr Andrew Harvey, 15 Paulton Road, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2PS
Erection of a granny annex following demolition of existing garage.

Recommended Approval – The Committee wished it to be noted that they supported the advice given by the Highway Officer, David Horne:

"Whilst I would expect 2 parking spaces to be maintained for the existing dwelling, I do not consider that the proposed 'granny' annexe would result in any material increase in demand to park nor any material increase in vehicle movements, subject to its occupation being ancillary to the use of 15 Paulton Road as a single dwelling unit".

- e. 11/03502/FUL (2011/12/042) Mrs Emily Hancock, 54 Millfield, Midsomer Norton, BA3 2PG
Erection of a carport with a first floor side extension above and provision of 2 dormer windows and 2 sun tunnels

Recommended Approval

- f. 11/03826/REG03 (2011/12/043) BANES Council, Combe Lea Residential Care House & Day Centre, Orchard Vale, Greenacres, MSN
Erection of a conservatory dayroom extension.

Recommended Approval

18. Planning Decisions

The Committee received a schedule of decisions made recently by the local planning authority.

Resolved: That the schedule be noted.

19. Planning Appeal Decisions

The Committee were advised that the following appeal had been allowed:

- Appeal Ref: APP/F0114/A/11/2154451
Hawksmoor, Radstock Road, MSN BA3 2AW

Resolved: That the Appeal Decision be noted.

20. Consultation of Proposed Changes to the Submission Core Strategy

The Committee received a communication from Simon de Beer Policy & Environment Manager, Bath & North East Somerset Council in respect of the above. The Town Clerk updated Members on additional information/documentation received from David Trigwell, Divisional Director Planning & Transport Development, Bath & North East Somerset Council inviting the Council to comment on the proposed changes to the Draft Core Strategy

- Resolved:**
- a) That the Town Clerk circulate the additional information/documentation to Members;
 - b) That the Town Clerk collate the comments of the Committee and prepare a draft response for consideration at the next meeting of the Planning Committee on Monday 17th October 2011 before submitting final observations to Bath & North East Somerset Council by Friday 21st October 2011.

21. Works to Trees:

Notification was received of the proposed works to trees in the Conservation Area:

- 38 Long Barnaby, Welton, MSN

Resolved: Recommended Approval

22. Closure Order

The Committee were advised of the High Street, Midsomer Norton, Temporary One Way Traffic Order 2011.

Resolved: That the Traffic Order be noted.

23. Budget 2012/13

The Town Clerk advised Members that the Finance Working Party would be preparing a draft budget at their next meeting (Wednesday 19th October) and

enquired if the Planning Committee anticipated any expenditure in the remainder of the financial year 2011/12 and bids for funds for 2012/13.

- Resolved:**
- a) That the Committee consider for the next meeting (Monday 17th October 2011) any financial bids they would like to put forward;
 - b) That the Clerk investigate prices for in-house planning training for all Council Members;
 - c) That other Town/Parish Councils be invited to attend the training session subject to a financial contribution.

24. **Resolved – that in view of the confidential nature of the business transacted, the press and public were excluded during consideration of this item – Commercial in Confidence.**

There were no Members of the Public or Press Present.

The Mayor Councillor P Myers updated members on the matters Commercial in Confidence.

- Resolved:** That the Town Clerk write to Economic Planning Development, Bath & North East Somerset Council.

The Meeting finished at 8.04pm

Signed: 

Dated: 17.10.11