

Midsomer Norton Town Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Planning Committee
held in the Beauchamp Room at the Town Hall, Midsomer Norton on Monday
15th January 2018 Commencing at 7.00pm

Present: Chair of Committee Councillor M Evans

Councillors: Councillor B Lawrence

Councillor G Mackay Councillor L Robertson Councillor R Robertson

Also Present: One (1) Member of the Public

In Attendance: Carole Sims – Assistant Clerk

Fire Safety - Evacuation Procedure / Recording Protocol

The Officer present explained the fire evacuation procedure and the Town Council's recording protocol.

43. Apologies for Absence and to consider the reasons given

Apologies for Absence were received from Councillor S Plumley who was on holiday and Councillor P Myers who had a previous engagement.

Resolved: To accept the apologies with the reasons given.

44. Declarations of Interest

Councillor L Robertson declared a personal interest in Agenda Item 46(i) as she was known to the applicant's family.

45. Minutes

Resolved: That the minutes of the Planning Committee held on Monday 11th December 2018 be signed and adopted as a correct record.

46. 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.

Resolved: That the Local Planning Authority be advised of the observations of the Committee on the submitted applications as below:

All Members of the Committee agreed that as the member of the public present

had an interest in Agenda Item 46(i) 17/05666/FUL it would be appropriate for it to be brought forward in the order on the Agenda.

i. 17/05666/FUL (17/18/77) Miss Rachel Stokes, 77 Welton Grove, Welton, MSN BA3 2TT. Retrospective change of use from residential to mixed use residential and dog day care and boarding facility as well as conversion of garage to facilitate dog grooming service.

Strongly Object

The Committee agreed that this type of business was entirely unsuited to this residential area and due to the level of noise it was becoming a 'public nuisance'.

a. 17/05930/FUL (17/18/70) Mr Clive Hawkins, 88 North Road, MSN BA3 2QW. Erection of single storey rear extension and detached single storey ancillary annexe.

No Objection

b. 17/05800/AR (17/18/71) Specsavers Optical Store, 104-105 High Street, MSN BA3 2DA. Display of 1 no. illuminated fascia sign and 1 no. internally illuminated projecting sign.

No Objection

c. 17/05799/FUL (17/18/72) Specsavers Optical Store, 104-105 High Street, MSN BA3 2DA. Change of use from Bank (Class A2) to Opticians (Class A1) including alterations to shop front.

No Objection

d. 18/00017/FUL (17/18/72) Mr & Mrs Kingman, 46 North Road, MSN BA3 2QQ. Creation of a driveway with a dropped kerb access.

No Objection

e. 18/00015/FUL (17/18/73) Mrs Sharon Melling, 2 Greenhill Place, Welton, MSN BA3 2TF. Erection of a single storey rear extension.

No Objection

f. 17/06241/FUL (17/18/74) Mr R Brooks, 7 St Chad's Avenue, MSN BA3 2HG. Conversion of loft to form bedroom and ensuite (Revised Scheme).

No Objection

g. 17/06103/FUL (17/18/75) Mrs Lucy Curtis, 3 Berkeley Avenue, MSN BA3 2EF. Erection of single storey side extension with dormer loft room

above and single storey rear extension.

No Objection

h. 17/06126/FUL (17/18/76) Royal Bank of Scotland, National Westminster Bank, 3 High Street, MSN BA3 2LE. Installation of additional air handling equipment and associated duct work to the rear flat roof area.

No Objection

47. Planning Decisions

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

Resolved: That the schedule be noted

48. Placemaking Plan and Neighbourhood Plan

Councillor M Evans reported that a timetable/plan going forward would be available soon and advised the Committee that the next meeting of the Neighbourhood Development Plan Group was being held on Thursday 18th January 2018 at the Town Hall.

Resolved: That the update on the Neighbourhood Plan be noted.

49. | Mendip Local Plan Part II: Sites and Policies

The Committee considered whether the Town Council wished to comment on the *Pre-submission Draft of the Mendip Local Plan Part II* and how this was to be done.

Resolved:

- **a.** That a few volunteer Members of the Committee meet informally the week commencing Monday 22nd January 2018 to compile their recommendations for submission at the Full Council Meeting on Monday 5th February 2018.
- **b.** That the Mendip Local Plan Part II: Sites and Policies be included on the Full Council Agenda for Monday 5th February 2018 giving the remaining Councillors a chance to change or add their comments.

50. Housing & Economic Land Availability Assessment (HELAA) & New Local Plan

The Committee were requested to note information received from Bath & North East Somerset Council with regard to the HELAA and New Local Plan.

Councillor M Evans reported that it was expected that the Town Council would

have the opportunity to comment later on in 2018.

Resolved: That the HELAA and New Local Plan information received from Bath & North East Somerset Council be noted.

51. Proposed Works to Trees

The Committee considered the following Application for proposed Tree Works that had been submitted for consultation by the local planning authority.

Resolved: That the Local Planning Authority be advised of the observations of the Committee on the submitted applications as below:

a. 17/06098/TPO Mrs Denise Hart, Silver Street Nature Reserve, Silver Street, MSN, T1 Field Maple, T2 Field Maple, T3 Ash, T4 Ash and T5 Ash – Raise canopies to 6m above ground level over adjacent gardens and remove any overhanging limbs so no canopy overhangs the gardens.

Decision of '*Consent*' had already been taken by Bath & North East Somerset Council prior to the Planning Committee Meeting held on Monday 15th January 2018.

52. Tree Preservation Order

The Committee received the following Formal Notice of a Tree Preservation Order from Bath & North East Somerset Council:

St Chad's Green, Midsomer Norton

Resolved: That the Tree Preservation Order be noted.

Meeting closed at 7:45pm

Signed:	(Chair)
Dated:	