

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 9th January 2012 at 7.00 pm at The Parish Office, Williton

Attendees:

Councillors Peeks (Chairman), Bigwood, Koch, McDonald, and Gower

Public

Other Mrs J Johnson-Smith

Apologies:

Councillors Hall

11/85B **Apologies as noted above**

11/86B **Declarations of Interest**

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Peeks	11/97B	Personal	None

11/87B **Approval of the Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 15th November 2011**

It was **resolved** to approve the minutes.

11/88B **Matters Arising from the Minutes**

11/88.1B (Item 11/72.1B) Safe Route to Schools It was **resolved** to note with regret the responses from the landowner and tenant who were not willing to allow this part of the footpath through their land. As all options for a footpath along the whole stretch had now been explored and permission not granted it was **resolved** to write to Wyndham Estate to request a permissive path from St Peter's School to White Copse which would at least take walkers off the road for part of the journey.

11/88.2B (Item 11/72.2B) Empty Homes It was **resolved** to note the response from the Building Control Officer regarding Corner Cottage and to write back asking for details of any progress. It was further **resolved** to chase up Nick Jobson for a list of priorities for Williton.

11/88.3B (Item 11/72.3B) Union Lane Cllrs Koch and McDonald reported on the site meeting when the agent from Wyndham Estate had agreed to carry out some clearing work but wanted to check ownership of the track. It was **resolved** to write advising him that according to our records this track was owned by the Estate and to ask him to carry out the work as a matter of urgency and to chase up the tenants of the riding stables regarding the effluent running into the stream.

11/88.4B (Item 11/72.4B) Williton Signage Another quotation had been received for the signs to include the extra symbols with no increase in cost. It was **resolved** to go ahead with ordering the signs and to contact the Highways to ask them to install the signs on the existing posts after renovating the posts and clearing the hedge around the sign at Mamsey House. It was suggested keeping the old signs in case of future need.

11/88.5B (Item 11/72.5B) Village Clock It was **resolved** to note the letter from Magna Housing with various conditions regarding installing the clock. It was suggested relocating the clock to the new Parish Office as this would be a central location and would resolve the problems with the highways and source of electricity and it was **resolved** to recommend to Full Council this proposal.

11/88.6B (Item 11/73.4B) Building Community Programme The Clerk advised that she had received an offer of free advice from a consultant regarding Neighbourhood Planning and it was agreed to invite him to the next meeting at 6.30pm and invite other Council members and other Parishes to the session.

11/88.7B (Item 11/77B) Postbox for Industrial Estate It was **resolved** to note the response from the Post Office stating they were not prepared to install a post box at this location.

11/88.8B (Item 11/80B) Sponsored Telephone Kiosk The Clerk advised that she had notified British Telecom of the termination of contract but had received no acknowledgement.

11/89B **Correspondence**

11/89.1B It was **resolved** to put forward the agreed responses to the Mineral Options Consultation from Somerset County Council

11/89.2B It was **resolved** to reply to the District Council asking that the dog control order in the play area of the recreation ground is kept.

11/89.3B It was **resolved** to note the booklet on Planning Explained from the Campaign to Protect Rural England

11/90B **Highways Matters**

It was reported that the site meeting with Mr Newby had been useful and it was **resolved** to go ahead with the request for a box junction outside the Post Office and the access area to the rear of the Post Office.

11/91B Finance and Budget Considerations

As no reply had been received regarding the bus shelter it was **resolved** to write back stating that if no reply was received it would be assumed there was no maintenance responsibility for the Parish Council.

11/92B Items of Report from Grounds Maintenance Officers

11/92.1 The Copse There was nothing to report

11/92.2 Bellamy's Corner It was **resolved** to note that the matter of the falling rocks had been passed to another department and a response had been chased.

11/92.3 Doniford Car Park It was noted that the lease had still not been received but it was noted that car parts had been left on nearby land owned by the District Council and the Clerk was asked to report this.

11/92.4 Recreation Ground It was noted that one of the gates on the play area was in need of repair.

11/93B Signage of Industrial Estate

It was **resolved** to defer this item to the next meeting as Cllr Hall was not present.

11/94B Local Development Framework Core Strategy on Renewable Energy

It was **resolved** to note this information and that advice was available in the future for any new buildings.

11/95B Conservation Area

It was **resolved** to note the reply from the District Council and that the matter was still in hand.

11/96B Somerset's Draft Countrywide Parking Strategy

It was **resolved** to respond to the consultation with the agreed comments.

11/97B Planning Applications for consideration

Application No	Location	Comments
3/39/11/038	Smithyard Lorry Terminal - Change of use of part of lorry park to self store and the placing thereon of around 38 containers	No objections
3/39/11/039	Smithyard Lorry Terminal - Change of use of unit 3 and area to rear to car breaker	No objections
3/39/11/040	Smithyard Terminal - Retention of Spray booth to side of existing industrial building, plus installation of 1 roller shutter door and 2 personnel doors	No objections
3/39/11/041	Units 1A to 1D Roughmoor Industrial Estate - Additional retail, storage & goods inwards, grooming area, doggy day care and dog training classes	No objections
3/39/11/042	3 Shutgate Meadow - Single storey rear extension	No objections
3/39/11/043	The Royal Huntsman, Long Street - Change of use of part of a public house premises to a mixed use of retail (A1) in respect of gifts and local crafts together with tea room (A3) and the display of local arts	No objections
3/39/11/043	The Royal Huntsman, Long Street - Change of use of part of public house premises from 4 letting bedrooms to 2 holiday units or letting suites	No objections
3/39/11/044	The Royal Huntsman, Long Street - Change of use of part of public house (including 4 letting bedrooms, private living accommodation and main body of public house) to one dwelling (C3) plus 4 letting bedrooms for bed and breakfast	No objections
3/39/11/046	18 Bridge Street - Proposed change of use of existing cottage within boundary of 18 Bridge Street to establish a separate dwelling to be offered for rental	Lack of car spaces or adequate on street parking provision
3/39/11/047	Outskirts of Williton - Proposal to divert existing 33kV tower circuit that crosses Williton on to wood poles around the outskirts of the town. The existing 7 towers that currently hold this circuit would then be dismantled and removed	No objections but question why this can't go underground
3/39/11/050	Williton Fire Station, North Road - To form an accessible door and ramp to the community room	No objections
3/39/11/151	Shells Cottage, Shells Lane, Washford - Erection of 3 units of holiday accommodation with hardstanding for car parking	No objections
3/39/12/001	Land to rear of 1 North Street - Replacement planning permission 3/39/09/001 - Conversion of barn into dwelling, erection of double garage and associated alterations and demolition of cold rooms and outbuildings	Recommend refusal as on land earmarked for Inner Relief Road

11/98B Notification of planning decisions

Application No	Location	Outcome
3/39/11/023 & 024	Doniford Farm, Doniford- change of use to farm park	Granted
3/39/11/028	67 Long St, Williton – Addition of pitched roof	Granted
3/39/11/030	The Wagon Works, Slade Way – Extension to building	Granted
3/39/11/031&032	Thatches, 12 Priest Street – replacement of chimney to listed building	Granted
3/39/11/035	1 The Old Methodist Hall, Tower Hill – installation of secondary glazing	Granted
3/39/11/037	27 Fore St – installation of 24 hr ATM	Granted
3/39/11/036	28 Long St – Erection of stone wall in front garden	Granted
3/39/11/042	3 Shutgate Meadow – single storey rear extension	Granted

11/99B Matters for the next meeting to be held on 13th February 2012 at 7.00 pm in the Parish Office.

Meeting closed at 9.50pm