

# WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014 at 7.00pm at The Parish Office, Williton

## Attendees:

**Councillors** Peeks (Chairman), Stiven and McDonald  
**Public** None  
**Other** Ms J Johnson-Smith

## Apologies:

**Councillors** Koch, Bigwood, Bruford

14/15B **Apologies as noted above**

14/16B **Declarations of Interest**

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Peeks	14/18.1B	Personal	Participation
Cllr Peeks	14/26B & 14/23B	Personal	No comment

14/17B **Approval of the Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

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

14/18B **Matters to Report**

14/18.1B (Item 14/06.1B) Pedestrian Routes It was **resolved** to note the response from Rob Coate, Senior Rights of Way Officer, who confirmed that the Wyndham Estate would be presenting the diversion proposal to their board shortly and that there was no Section 31 deposit covering the area. Meanwhile, the public would be encouraged to apply for a modification to the definitive map.

14/18.2B (Item 14/06.2B) Empty Buildings It was **resolved** to note the email from Bernard Seward advising that museum volunteers were still investigating the possibilities of saving the printing press. No further update had been received regarding the empty buildings.

14/18.3B (Item 14/06.3B) Overgrown vegetation on steps of Limpetshell Lane It was **resolved** to note that Magna had accepted responsibility for this area and would include it in their maintenance programme in future.

14/19B **Correspondence**

14/19.1B It was **resolved** to note the request from Quantock Hills AONB to comment regarding the proposed drop in contribution to the Quantock Hills from the County Council. It was **resolved** to reply stating any drop in financial support would be a retrograde step and lead to an adverse effect on tourism and would therefore impact on the local economy. Areas would become neglected and the agreed Management Plan could therefore not be implemented.

14/19.2B It was **resolved** to note the email from a resident of Bridge Close expressing concern at the state of the surface of the road beyond the wooden arch at St Peter's Close. The Clerk agreed to write to Mr Gliddon, Wyndham Estate, the owners of Allard House and Magna Housing to check ownership and to draw this to their attention.

14/19.3B It was **resolved** to note the letter from Mr and Mrs Coombs addressed to Cllr Davies which had been passed to the Committee regarding a request for more retirement apartments and it was **resolved** to forward this to the District Council and ask them to consider this request when looking at the Local Plan.

14/19.4B It was **resolved** to note Environmental Maintenance Information received from the County Council with planned dates of maintenance work and to comment that the small triangular piece of grass opposite Brook Close next to the pedestrian crossing had been omitted from their recent cuts.

14/20B **Highways Matters**

14/20.1B It was **resolved** to note the response from the Highways regarding Long Street and that they were unable to put in any weight restrictions. The Clerk was asked to check when the agreed zigzag lines outside the Post Office would be carried out.

14/21B **Finance and Budget Considerations**

14/21.1B Village signs at Doniford It was **resolved** to note these signs had still not been installed and as it was close to the 12 week agreed period the Clerk agreed to contact Highways to ask when the work would be done.

14/22B **Items to Report from Grounds Maintenance Officers**

- 14/22.1B Bridge Green (The Copse) A written request had been received from Quantock Eco to plant apple trees on the land and it was **resolved** to reply stating that as there were already several silver birch trees planted and these trees would reach a fair size, it was felt that there was no further room for any other trees on this piece of land. However the Council would be happy to help them look for more suitable areas within the parish. A similar response would be given to Eddie May who had also requested a tree to be planted.
- 14/22.2B Bellamy's Corner It was **resolved** to note that Magna had started work to repair the wall and that the contractors were doing a good job. It was advised that Love Williton would be helping the Council with the planting and weeding.
- 14/22.3B Doniford Car Park It was noted that the litter bins had been overflowing during the recent holiday period and dog litter had become a problem and it was **resolved** to write to the District Council asking them to consider more frequent collections during the tourist season.
- 14/22.4B Recreation Ground and Play Area It was **resolved** to note that the clearance work to the felled tree would be carried out shortly and the hedges and grass cutting of the Community Hall land was included in the contract and were due to be done within the next month.
- 14/22.5B Street Furniture There was nothing to report
- 14/22.6B Grass verges It was **resolved** to note that the weedspraying would be carried out within the following week. As Rona Troman's name was still on the list of areas of responsibility, it was **resolved** to ask her if she was happy to continue checking these areas and report any problems to Cllr Koch.

#### 14/23B **Williton Top 5 Parish Priorities**

As there were only 3 members present it was **resolved** to send the present list to all Councillors asking for their comments before the next Committee meeting. Recommendations could then be put forward to the Full Council at their meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> August in order to meet the response to the deadline..

#### 14/24B **Car Obstruction at Robert Street entrance to Memorial Ground**

It was **resolved** to note that this obstruction had not been noticed recently but it was agreed to keep an eye on the situation and if the problem continued members were asked to pass registration details to the Clerk who would write to Sure Start, the Doctors and the District Council to ask if it were a member of their staff.

#### 14/25B **Union Lane**

Cllr Stiven suggested that another Community Clean Up Day was held as the area was getting in a mess again and it was **resolved** to look at a day in September and ask Love Williton volunteers to help. Cllr Stiven agreed to come back with a date at the next meeting and the Clerk agreed to ask Veolia for litter pickers and collection as before when the date was known.

#### 14/26B **Planning Applications for consideration**

Application No	Location	Details	Comment
3/39/14/012	Land at Rydon Farm	Removal of 4 cabinets and 3 antennas and installation of Phase 4.5 Headframe installed on the existing 15m high CO Phosco monopole mast and 4 new antennas and 4 RRUs mounted on new CU Phosco Headframe and one additional equipment cabinet located within existing VF cabinet at ground level	No objections
3/39/14/015	Unit 6, Roughmoor Trading Estate	Change of use from business use (B1, B2 and B8) to the sale of motor spares and accessories (A1)	No objections
3/39/14/016	1 Long Street	To put in a 2m opening between the shop and the bakery. Also to remove the old conti board and shutter board in the bakery to repair water damaged walls.	No objections

As this part of the meeting was inquorate Cllr Koch would be asked to comment on the plans on her return from leave and if she was in agreement with the above comments these would be forwarded to the District Council

#### 14/27B **Notification of planning decisions**

Application No	Location	Outcome
3/39/14/008	Briardene, 25 Long St – Installation of satellite dish	Granted
3/39/14/009	26 Shutgate Meadow – Erection of single storey rear extension and retention of balcony to master bedroom	Granted
C/39/14/002	Webbers Post, The Croft – Approval of details reserved by condition 3, condition 5 and condition 6 in relation to planning permission 3/39/13/002	Granted
3/39/11/012	Land at Bank Street – Extension of time in order to implement planning permission 3/39/08/001 for residential and small scale retail including infrastructure and alterations to vehicular access	Withdrawn

#### 14/28B **Matters for the next meeting to be held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at 7.00 pm in the Parish Office**

Village Information Board

Meeting closed at 8.00pm