

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting
held on 13th October 2014 at 7.00pm at The Parish Office, Williton

Attendees:

Councillors: Peeks(Chairman), McDonald, Denton and Stiven
Public: None
Other: Mrs S Towells

Apologies:

Councillors: Bigwood, Koch

14/59B **Apologies as noted above.**

14/60B **Declarations of Interest**

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Peeks	14/63.1B	Prejudicial DPI	Left
Cllr Peeks	14/68B	Prejudicial	Left
Cllr Peeks	14/69B	Prejudicial	Left
Cllr Peeks	14/70B	Prejudicial DPI	Left

14/61B **Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 8th September 2014**

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

14/62B **Matters to Report**

- 14/62.1B (Item 14/46.1B) Pedestrian Routes It was **resolved** the Clerk would arrange another site meeting with Alex Johnstone as no further information had been received.
- 14/62.2B (Item 14/46.3B) State of Road at St Peter's Close No information had been received.
- 14/62.3B (Item 14/46.4B) Union Lane Cllr Stiven reported that the clean-up had gone well but more rubbish had appeared. Green vegetation had also been disposed of down the lane. Another clean-up would have to be arranged to remove this. It was **resolved** the Clerk would write to Mrs Bennett regarding the grounds maintenance manager of Sir Gilbert Scott Court as it had been reported he was seen disposing of green vegetation on the lane.
- 14/62.4B (Item 14/46.5) Village Information Board No further information was available and Cllr McDonald was still researching the matter.
- 14/62.5B (Item 14/51B & 14/52B) State of Market Ground & the Hole in Bank Street A letter had been sent to Mr Gliddon but no reply had been received.
- 14/62.6B (Item 14/53B) Flooding Matters Cllr McDonald had recently attended a meeting at West Somerset Council and it was agreed to establish a District Flood Board. This would help get funding in the future. The next meeting for The District Flood Board would be at the end of November 2014.
- 14/62.7B (Item 14/55) Owl Boxes in village deferred until the next meeting as Cllr Koch was away.

14/63B **Correspondence**

- 14/63.1B Letter from Jenny Gibson re Planning Application 3/28/14/005 It was **resolved** to note the letter.
- 14/63.2B Towns & Villages entry on the new Visit Exmoor website It was **resolved** to complete and submit the information for the website.
- 14/63.3B ATWEST It was **resolved** to transfer this item to the Finance and Administration committee.
- 14/63.4B CCS Newsletter – feasibility grants It was **resolved** to pass the details on to The Pavilion working group.

14/64B **Highway Matters**

- 14/64.1B It was **resolved** to write a letter to Gary Warren requesting the Keep Clear hatching and the zig-zag lines were done before the temporary highway alterations were in place. It was also **resolved** to write to EDF regarding having an anti-slip surface on the the road outside the Royal Huntsman on Long Street while the roundabout work was being carried out.

14/65B Finance and Budget

It was **resolved** to carry over new footpaths budget and to keep the grounds maintenance budget the same. It was **resolved** to add a budget of £250 for nature conservation and £1000 for village information boards.

14/66B Items to Report from Grounds Maintenance Officers

14/66.1B Bridge Green (The Copse) The Lease had now been received. It was **resolved** more stones were needed around the copse to stop lorries driving over the grass. It was also **resolved** to write to West Somerset Council to inform them the dog waste bin had a broken handle. It was further **resolved** to ask the contractor to remove the dead silver birch tree.

14/66.2B Bellamy's Corner It was **resolved** to write this in to next year's grounds maintenance contract due to the amount of rubbish being discarded on the area. It was **resolved** to place a sign on the corner about leaving the area tidy.

14/66.3B Doniford Car Park The bins require emptying more often as they are always overflowing. It was **resolved** the Clerk would contact the contractor to arrange this.

14/66.4B Recreation ground and Play Area It was **resolved** the Clerk would write to Mr Martin to ask him to remove the debris he has left on the Memorial Ground from his stone wall.

14/66.5B Street Furniture It was **resolved** the Clerk would write to the owner of Chestnut Lodge to ask for the hedge to be trimmed back as the brambles were growing on the bench.

14/66.6B Grass verges Nothing to report

14/67B Doniford Footpath

The Clerk to contact Cllr woods for further information.

14/68B Planning Applications for consideration

Application No	Location	Details	Comment
3/39/14/027 & 3/39/14/028	Abbey Barn Washford TA23 0NS	Erection of external masonry staircase and two balconies at first floor level	No objections
3/28/14/005	Land at Aller Farm	Erection of a Solar PV Development and associated works.	Objections on the grounds of the comments raised by the neighbouring parishes as it did not support the Government advice regarding location within an outstanding natural environment and on the grounds of the implication of heavy traffic that would need to access the site at Bridge Farm.
3/39/14/029	Doniford Farm Watchet TA34 OTQ	Realignment of vehicular access & erection of single dwelling and garage	No objections, subject to confirmation of the visibility when exiting the car park to the left given that the hedge is shown on the drawing as set back but not as it is on the ground.

14/69B Notification of planning decisions

Application No	Location	Outcome
3/39/14/002	27 Five Bells – Erection of garage in front drive & attached car port & erection of side extension & loft conversion. Erection of single storey rear extension.	Granted
RUD/39/14/001	26 Long Street – Change of use from retail to one flat.	Granted
3/39/13/013	Croft House – Demolition of existing building and erection of 12 dwellings.	Granted

14/70B To note the following planning applications that have been withdrawn

3/28/14/002 – 45 Tower Hill, Williton TA4 4JR – Partial demolition of outbuildings & erection of one detached dwelling (Orchard House) plus minor hard & soft landscaping alterations (Withdrawn)

3/28/14/003 – 45 Tower Hill, Williton TA4 4JR – Dropped kerb & private driveway leading to a replacement garage to the East of 45 Tower Hill (Withdrawn)

14/71B Matters for the next meeting to be held on Monday 10th November 2014 at 7.00 pm in Parish Office

Bollard or retractable post for Watchet Hill/North Road

Meeting closed at 8.25pm