

WILLITON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting
held on 15th January 2018 at 7.00pm at The Parish Office, Killick Way, Williton.

Attendees:

Councillors: Peeks (Vice-Chairman), Burnett, Perrett and Vaughan
Public: None
Other: Mrs Michelle Francis

Apologies:

Councillors: Bennett

17/102B The Chairman advised that the meeting would be recorded.

17/103B **Apologies as noted above.**

17/104B **Declarations of Interest**

Name	Agenda Item	Interest	Action
Cllr Burnett	17/108.1B	Personal	Informed meeting
Cllr Peeks	17/115B, 17/107.1B	Pecuniary	Left meeting
Cllr Vaughan	17/108.1B	Personal	Remained. Did not vote

17/105B **Minutes of the Environment and Planning Committee Meeting held on 13th November 2017**

No members were present who had attended the November meeting, therefore, it was **resolved** to defer the signing of the minutes to the following meeting.

17/106B **Matters from the Minutes – for the purpose of report only**

17/106.1B (Item 17/89.2B) Watchet Town Council – Overcrowded Busses – it was **resolved** to note a meeting would be held with First Bus, but there was no date at present.

17/107B **Correspondence**

17/107.1B The Parish Council had been copied into a letter to Planning Control Team, Somerset County Council regarding the proposals for a new housing development in Doniford Road. It was **resolved** to respond, noting comments and to advise it was understood the Aller Mead Management Company was responsible for the stream by the development and to request their contact details.

17/108B **Highway Matters**

17/108.1B (Item 17/90.1B) Parking on Long Street – there had been no update.

17/108.2B (Item 17/90.2B) It was **resolved** Cllr Peeks would inspect the Bus Shelter and rubbish bin, as no reply had been received from the letters that had been sent.

17/108.3B A request had been received for double yellow lines to be installed on Doniford Road from The Masons Arms until The Croft. It was **resolved** to request the Police and Councillors monitor the area. It was further **resolved** to respond and request if the parishioner could keep a diary of incidents to collate evidence.

A complaint has been received regarding speeding on Long Street and poor lighting visibility from Brook Road to the West Somerset Free Press offices. It was **resolved** to contact SCC Highways to request repeater signs were installed along Long Street. It was further **resolved** to request that the existing street lights were improved, possibly by installing a better quality illuminance light.

17/109B **Finance and Budget**

There was nothing to report.

17/110B **Items to Report from Grounds Maintenance Officers**

17/110.1B Bridge Green (The Copse) The Clerk confirmed Mr Bendon would cut the Betula rootstock.

17/110.2B Bellamy's Corner There was nothing to report.

17/110.3B Doniford Car Park It was **resolved** the area needed to be checked due to the recent storms. A meeting date would be arranged as discussed at Parish Council.

17/110.4B Play Equipment in Recreation Ground It was **resolved** the Clerk would produce a copy of the report for Cllr Peeks who would prioritise the work to be carried out.

17/110.5B Street Furniture The bench in Killick Way needed re-varnishing/teaking. It was **resolved** the work would be carried out in conjunction with the other benches.

17/110.6B Grass Verges There was nothing to report.

17/111B Flooding Matters

17/111.1B Sandbag Distribution Policy – it was **resolved** to contact other Parish Councils to enquire if they had a policy in place, which could be adapted.

17/111.2B It was **resolved** to note that Cllr Aldridge had agreed to become the new Flood Representative for the Parish Council. A meeting would be arranged upon his return.

17/112B (Item 17/94B) Village Information Board and Parish Guide

Cllr Burnett advised he would be willing to take on the project, with the assistance of another Councillor. It was **resolved** to defer this to the next meeting.

17/113B (Item 17/95B) Highway Finger Posts

Cllrs Peeks and Burnett, together with Mr and Mrs Barratt had attended the recent training. Cllr Peeks advised members that a survey had to be undertaken and then a license could be applied for. The restrictions were noted such as the distance away from a main highway had to be a minimum of 1.35m. It was **resolved** the survey would be carried out by Cllrs Burnett and Peeks.

17/113.1B The Clerk advised that Magna Housing Association had made contact as they were keen to offer support to the scheme, either financially or by supplying materials. It was **resolved** the Clerk would reply to accept their offer in principle and advise a survey had to be undertaken.

17/114B Community Speed Watch

17/114.1B Information had been received regarding calming the speed by Speed Awareness Messages. It was **resolved** the Clerk would obtain further information and contact SCC Highways to enquire if they use specific packages.

It was **resolved** to note that Cllr Burnett had not received any further information from the Police regarding CSW. It was **resolved** to contact Mr McDonald to enquire if he would be interested in returning to the scheme.

17/115B Planning Applications for consideration

Application No	Location	Details	Comment
ABD/39/17/002	Wibble Farm	Prior approval for proposed change of use from agricultural building to dwelling house (Class C3) and associated building operations	No objection on highway and flooding grounds. Happy is only one dwelling and not flats. Do not know that it was in agricultural use in March 2013
3/39/17/035	18 Bridge Street	Variation of Condition No. 03 (parking) and No. 04 (parking layout configuration) of application 3/39/11/046	No objection provided the two parking spaces RP1 and RP2 are tied to Riverside Cottage and there is a facility to ensure they are only used by residents of Riverside Cottage or their visitors.
3/39/17/036	Doniford Farm Park Doniford	Various internal and external alterations (retention of works already undertaken)	Provided wall blocking up as per original planning application then no objection.
3/39/17/037	Doniford Farm Park Doniford	Erection of a timber fence with concrete posts, concrete block wall and alterations to lean to including installation of side hung doors (retention of works already undertaken)	Provided as per original planning application then no objection.

17/116B Notification of planning decisions

Application No	Location	Outcome
3/39/17/016	31a Long Street	Granted
3/39/17/025	Arden Cottage, 33 Long Street	Granted

17/117B Matters for the next meeting to be held on Monday 12th February 2018 at 7.00 pm in Parish Office

Cllrs Bennett and Perrett had tendered their apologies for this meeting.

Meeting closed at 8.10 pm

Signed as a true and correct record Dated