

MINUTES OF THE TOWN PLANNING & LICENSING COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 4th APRIL, 2018 AT 6.00 PM IN THE GUILDHALL, BEWDLEY

PRESENT

Councillor John Byng Councillor Linda Candlin Councillor Roger Coleman Councillor Calne Edginton-White (Chair) Councillor Mary Fishwick

In attendance: Nick Farress, Town Clerk Barbara Byng, Assistant Town Clerk Councillor Anna Coleman (Mayor)

7337 Apologies

Apologies were received from Cllr. John Beeson, Cllr Paul Harrison and Cllr Gordon Yarranton

7338 Declarations of Interest

None.

7339 Dispensations

None.

Public Question Time

None.

7339 Minutes

The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 7th March, 2018 were approved. The Chair stated that there had been a question raised regarding the accuracy of a comment made in the public session regarding social housing.

7340 18/0143/FULL Prop

Proposed alterations to existing bungalow and re-roofing to form bedroom accommodation at first floor level Cherry Ryse Bungalow Hop Pole Lane Mr A Harvey

It was agreed to recommend **approval** subject to removal of UPVC cladding, brick banding, Juliette balcony and decorative feature in apex of front gable, as highlighted by the WFDC Planning Case Officer.

7341 18/0145/FULL Erection of replacement toilet block, following

demolition of existing toilet block

West Midlands Safari, West Midland Safari Park, Spring

Grove

It was agreed to recommend approval

7342 18/0155/FULL

Replacement of corrugated asbestos roof. Replacement of & 18/0164/LIST existing door and windows. Replacement of rainwater goods. Replacement of wiring and lighting as necessary

10 High Street Mr Peter Miller

It was agreed to recommend approval subject to any conditions the Conservation Officer may wish to impose and that the appearance matches that of surrounding properties

7343 18/0168/TCA Fell Goat Willow

Castle Croft, Castle Lane

Mr J Gaskell

It was agreed to raise no objection to the works and to make a request for the Arboricultural Officer to recommend a suitable species for replanting in the garden

7344 18/0184/FULL Installation of a detached timber garden room for use

as domestic office

The Patch, Leight Lane, Redhill

I Clarke

It was agreed to recommend approval subject to a condition that permits usage as a domestic office by the applicant only, and not as possible conversion to accommodation or other use in the future

7345 18/0209/FULL Single storey extension to rear, first floor extension to

side of semi detached two storey house

7 Cherry Close Mr S Pearson

It was agreed to recommend **refusal** due to the proposed scale and design and impact on the existing street scene

7346 18/0213/FULL Two storey side extension

> 6 Yew Tree Close Mr & Mrs Foxall

It was agreed to recommend approval

7347 18/0217/FULL Erection of single storey rear extension and front extension

to existing garage including alterations to finishing

materials 39 Park Lane

Mr & Mrs Lethbridge

It was agreed to recommend approval

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18/0221/TCA Reduce 6 x Sycamores and I Ash. Remove overhanging

limb from a Walnut

Pleasant Harbour House, Pleasant Harbour

Mr P Warnett

It was agreed to raise **no objection** to the works to reduce the Sycamores and Ash. With regards the Walnut tree, described by the Arboricultural Officer as a nice tree, BTC request that a Tree Preservation Order (TPO) be placed on this tree and any subsequent works to it only be carried out to preserve its health

7349 Draft Revised National Planning Policy Framework

A summary document prepared by NALC including details of consultation questions was circulated with the Agenda. Councillors were asked to provide any comments to the Town Clerk during the next seven days. These will be collated and reviewed by the Chairman and circulated at the next Town Council and Planning & Licensing Committee 2nd May, prior to the consultation closing date on 10th May 2018.

7350 Licensing

No new applications for alcohol sales or entertainment in Bewdley have been made to Worcestershire Regulatory Services since last month. Discussion took place regarding the consultation process and the Town Clerk confirmed that he has submitted comments to the Town Centre Manger regarding the recent Street Amenity Licence application. He was asked to follow this matter up for update at the next Planning Committee meeting.

7351 Willow Tree, Beales Corner

The Chair reported that District/County Councillors Hardiman and Vale have made it clear that, following the report of the Development Manager, no further action is proposed. Councillors expressed their concerns and said that this is still a local issue which many people feel strongly about. It was felt that the Environment Agency and WCC need consulting as to suitable available options for planting on the riverbank and it was proposed that the matter be included in the Town Plan, as part of proposals for a town wharf.

7352 Tree Policy for Bewdley

It was agreed to form a Working Group as a Tree Policy is to be part of the Town Plan in order to move forward the protection of Bewdley's treescape, particularly within the Conservation Area, and formulate a strategy. The Assistant Town Clerk has been researching other Local Authority tree strategies and advice provided by the Woodland Trust. A number of Councillors expressed an interest in assisting with a town tree survey as

discussed with the Arboricultural Officer at the meeting held on 11th October 2017 and the need for a character appraisal and identification of trees with a TPO (Tree Protection Order). The actions agreed at the training workshop held with the Arboricultural Officer on 11th October 2017 will be circulated to all Committee members by the Assistant Town Clerk and further discussed at the next Planning & Licensing Committee on 2nd May, 2018.

7353 Representations

It was decided that no representations would be made to the next Planning (Development Control) Committee of Wyre Forest District Council in relation to the planning applications considered above.

7354 Planning Decisions Update Noted.

The meeting closed at 7.20 pm

Signed...... Chairman at Planning & Licensing Committee 2nd May, 2018