

**MARLBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Minutes of a **Meeting** of the **Planning Committee** which was held **Monday 3 September 2018** in the **Council Chamber, Town Hall, Marlborough** at 7.00 pm

PRESENT	Councillor S. Price	Chairman
	Councillor L. Farrell	Town Mayor (<i>ex officio</i>)
	Councillor B. Castle	
	Councillor Mrs P. Dow	
	Councillor N. Fogg	
	Councillor A. Ross	
	Councillor M. Hall	
	Councillor P. Cairns	
	Councillor M. Cooper	
	Councillor E. Northeast	
	Councillor D. Heath	
ALSO PRESENT	Mrs S. Fry	Office Manager
	Mrs D. Whitehall	Administrator

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

208/18 APOLOGIES
Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs. Kirk Wilson, Loosmore, Barrett-Morton, Forbes and Wilson.

209/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
Cllrs. Cooper and Fogg – agenda item 7(d) – application for tree works at Lime Court – non-pecuniary.

210/18 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS
Members joined **The Chairman** in congratulating the **Town Mayor** on her recent engagement.

Wiltshire Council had recently sent out information about a Local Government Boundary Commission Consultation, which would be added to the next agenda.

Members had received an email about an event in the Town Hall on 19 September to promote the Great West Way tourism route, and were encouraged to share the details with any interested parties.

211/18 MINUTES
RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the meeting held Monday 20 August 2018 were approved as a true record and signed by the Chairman

212/18 PLANNING DECISION NOTICES
Members noted the Planning Decision Notices that had been issued by Wiltshire Council.

213/18 PLANNING APPLICATIONS
a) 18/06046/FUL – Amended Plans – Proposed extensions and alterations to existing residential care home at Highfield, The Common, Marlborough for Mr R Pettifer

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

- b) **18/07930/LBC** – Opening up works involving removal of some façade brickwork at 10 Kingsbury Street, Marlborough for Mr Tom Otley

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection subject to the Conservation Officer's approval

- c) **18/07942/FUL** – Extend village hall entrance for upgraded toilets and extra hall space at Manton Village Hall, Preshute Lane, Manton for Mrs Nicki Evans

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

- d) **18/07472/FUL** – To have change of use of the ground floor and basement from A1 to A3. To establish an additional WC and wash basin on the ground floor. Change the content and colour of the existing signage at 5 Kingsbury Street, Marlborough for Alan Richards

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

- e) **18/07643/FUL** – To establish an additional WC and wash basin on the ground floor. Change the content and colour of the existing signage at 5 Kingsbury Street, Marlborough for Alan Richards

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

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WORK TO TREES

- a) **18/07722/TCA** – Pollarding of two Lime Trees at 1 The Priory, High Street, Marlborough for Mr Robert Miller

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

- b) **18/07757/TCA** – Removal of Leylandii Tree & Leylandii Hedge at 14 Hyde Lane, Marlborough for Mr Eric Snell

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

- c) **18/07805/TPO** – Tree works are to be carried out as detailed in the attached tree condition survey report 'J254 07 07 TCS Wye House Marlborough 20180716.pdf' at Wye House, Barn Street, Marlborough for S Howard. Members discussed:

- That the report and diagram provided with the application were confusing, making it difficult to consider the application properly. It was also not made clear which trees were protected by Tree Preservation Orders
- One of the trees did not appear to match the description on the report
- Whether there was any good reason for removing the two large trees near the front of the property
- The large beech trees formed an important part of the street scene
- Members did not believe the condition of the large beech tree adjacent to 7 Barn Street had changed in several years and it appeared healthy
- Whether a bat survey should be carried out as one of the large trees appeared to have a recess which was a typical nesting site for bats
- That with comments due by 7 September it was not possible to defer consideration in order to request clarification of the items on the report
- Whether Wiltshire Council's Tree Officer should be asked to inspect the trees

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council objects to this application due to insufficient evidence that trees needed to be felled, and that some larger specimens appeared healthy as well as forming an important part of the street scene

Cllr. Cooper left the room for the following item

- d) **18/07890/TPO** – Lime Tree x 2 – reduce both trees by 20% in height and spread at Lime Court, Cross Lane, Marlborough for Mr Stewart Dobson
RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application

Cllr. Cooper returned to the meeting

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COMMUNITY AREA TRANSPORT GROUP (CATG)

Cllr. Fogg had circulated a report to Members outlining parking issues encountered by residents of the High Street to the north of St Peter’s Church with a view to raising a new issue on the Issues Log to take forward to CATG. Members discussed:

- Whether to change the stretch of road to ‘access only’
- Whether the current parking bays could be converted to a residents parking zone
- Whether reducing the availability of public parking in the High Street would set a precedent for the rest of the road
- The impact on businesses in this area of reducing public parking
- While sympathising with residents, whether there was sufficient evidence about how often there had been an issue with the entrance to St Peter’s Place being blocked
- Members had visited the site on regular occasions and found minimal traffic and the entrance to be clear
- Whether this was a parking enforcement issue rather than requiring changes to the highway markings, signage or parking arrangements
- Whether more enforcement from Wiltshire Council’s Enforcement Officers could be requested to monitor this area
- Whether to invite an officer from Parking Services at Wiltshire Council to a future meeting to discuss this as well as other parking issues across the town

RESOLVED: not to raise a new issue for CATG; instead that an officer from Parking Services be advised so that Parking Enforcement Officers could be made aware, and that an officer from Wiltshire Council be invited to attend a future meeting to discuss parking

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NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

A number of workshops had taken place and work would start very soon to bring the Plan together. There was a particular issue with identifying suitable land for Cemetery use. **Cllr. Ross** referred to a piece of land not far from the current cemetery that had been identified as suitable a number of years ago; it was agreed to check the details and approach the new owner of the land.

The meeting closed at 7.35 pm

Signed: Date: