

MARLBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting of the **Planning Committee** held on **Monday 18th December, 2006** in the **Council Chamber, Town Hall, Marlborough at 7.00 p.m.**

PRESENT	Councillor Mrs C.V. Jackson Councillor B. Castle Councillor S.R. Dobson Councillor M.P. Cooper Councillor G. Francis Councillor Mrs E.M. Hannaford-Dobson Councillor Mrs P. Dow Councillor N. Fogg Councillor M. Gray Councillor M.C. Curtis Councillor D.L. Parker Councillor P.B. Cossey Councillor A.R. Ross Councillor A. Kirk-Wilson	Chairman Town Mayor
ALSO PRESENT	Mrs Pam Dobson Mrs Sue Fry Mr. N. Kerton Plus 3 members of the public	Town Clerk Office Manager Wiltshire Gazette and Herald

NOTICE OF THE MEETING – Public Notice of the Meeting has been given in accordance with Schedule 12, paragraph 10 (2) of the Local Government Act 1972.

381/06 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors W.B. Cavill and R.J. Allen.

382/06 DECLARATION(S) OF INTEREST

Agenda Item 6 (c)	Councillor M. Cooper – Friends garden abuts site.
Agenda Item 6 (c)	Councillor D. Parker – Friend
Agenda Item 7 (a)	Councillor A. Ross - Friend

383/06 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's Announcements.

384/06 MINUTES

Proposed by Councillor A. Ross seconded by Councillor G. Francis and -

RESOLVED: by 7 votes for, with 2 abstentions and 3 against that the Minutes of the meeting held on the 11th December, 2006 were a true record and signed by the Chairman subject to the following amendment –

Minute No. 372/06 (b) that the words “on the condition that an appropriate flag be flown and not an advertising flag” be omitted.

385/06 PLANNING DECISION NOTICES

There were no comments on the Planning Decision Notices received from Kennet District Council

386/06 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

To consider the following Planning Applications which have been received by Kennet District Council –

a) K/55161/RM 3 and 4 storey flatted residential development with associated parking, highways, landscaping and other works (**AMENDED DRAWINGS**) additional information including surface water drainage details and flood flow route at Former Gas Site, Kelham Gardens, Marlborough for David Wilson Homes.

Proposed by Councillor N. Fogg, seconded by Councillor D. Parker and –

RESOLVED: unanimously that Marlborough Town Council object to this application on the following grounds –

Overdevelopment of the site.
Insufficient parking
4 storey design does not fit with neighbouring residential properties and disappointed that no consideration has been given for the inclusion of affordable housing for local people.

Councillors also expressed the view that should there be no affordable housing on this site then Kennet District Council should re-invest some of the money made from the sale of this land back to the people of Marlborough.

b) K/55620/LBC

Replacement of partition wall in lower ground floor, reopening basement internal larder doorway, adjustment of lower ground toilet layout, provision of fire separation lobby lower ground stair flight, conversion of first floor bedroom to bathroom at 9 Silverless Street, Marlborough for Mrs P. Murphy.

Proposed by Councillor A. Kirk-Wilson, seconded by Councillor M. Cooper and -

RESOLVED:

unanimously that Marlborough Town Council have no objection to this application.

Councillors D. Parker and M. Cooper left the room at 7.21 p.m.

c) K/55629/F

Demolition of existing buildings and erection of 45 dwellings and associated works and connection to existing systems at St. Johns School, Stedman Campus, Orchard Road, Marlborough for Crest Nicholson (SW Ltd) & St Johns School.

Councillors B. Castle and Mrs P. Dow arrived at 7.31 pm

Proposed by Councillor S.R. Dobson, seconded by Councillor N. Fogg and –

RESOLVED:

by 8 votes for, with 2 abstentions and 1 against that Marlborough Town Council object to this application on the following grounds –

Overdevelopment of the site.

Increased volume of traffic.

The height of the proposed flats will mean that they overlook properties in Orchard Road.

The boundary for property No 7 on the proposed plans abuts No. 5 Ducks Meadow and does not take into account the 41 metre rule.

Councillors D. Parker and M. Cooper returned to the room at 7.38 pm

d) K/55638/F Convert loft space to habitable area, raise roof line to incorporate required headroom, construction of dormer windows at 59 Barrow Close, Marlborough for Mr A. Dawson.

Proposed by Councillor Mrs E.M. Hannaford-Dobson, seconded by Councillor M. Cooper and -

RESOLVED: by 10 votes for with 2 against that Marlborough Town Council object to this application on the following grounds –

The use of a flat roof on the rear elevation of the property.

e) K/55644/VAR Variation of Planning Permission K/54163/F to include 1 no additional first floor window on the south elevation at Orchard Close, London Road, Marlborough for Mr and Mrs C. Loveday.

Proposed by Councillor D. Parker, seconded by Councillor G Francis and -

RESOLVED: unanimously that Marlborough Town Council have no objection to this application.

f) K/55651/F Rear extension and alterations at Manton Corner, Bath Road, Marlborough for Mr and Mrs M.L.I. Blain

Proposed by Councillor M. Gray, seconded by Councillor Mrs E.M. Hannaford and –

RESOLVED: by 9 votes for with 3 abstentions and 1 against that Marlborough Town Council object to this application on the following grounds –

The use of a flat roof.

387/06

WORK TO TREES

Councillor A. Ross left the room at 7.49 pm

a) K/55650/TR1 Works to trees at the property to consist of: The felling of two White Poplar trees protected under tree preservation order 120_T2 & T3 the reduction and thinning to good growth points by 20%, of 3 further White Poplar trees protected under TPO 120_T4, T5 & T6 and the cutting back of a Yew tree from the boundary which is protected by TPO 332_G1 at 1 Hazel Close, Marlborough for Mr J. Amor

Proposed by Councillor S.R. Dobson, seconded by Councillor P Cossey and –

RESOLVED: by 11 votes for with 1 abstention (Councillor M.P. Cooper requested his abstention be recorded) that Marlborough Town Council have no objection to this application.

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PROPOSAL BY WILTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL TO CLOSE ALL REGISTRATION OUTSTATIONS IN WILTSHIRE.

The Committee received information from the Town Clerk on the proposals to be discussed at the Wiltshire County Council cabinet meeting on the 19th December.

After discussion the committee asked the Town Clerk to write to Wiltshire County Council expressing their concern and outrage that this proposal has been considered. The Town Clerk also to contact neighbouring towns to establish their views on these proposals and where appropriate to consider submitting a joint objection to these proposals.

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FOR INFORMATION ONLY

K/51088/TR1 Tree works at Marlborough Mound

The Committee received the above information.

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WHITE PAPER “STRONG AND PROSPEROUS COMMUNITIES”

The Town Clerk issued Councillors with papers regarding the Rural White Paper and invited them to contact her with any queries or questions they may have.

The Chairman, Councillor Mrs C.V. Jackson requested that a meeting be arranged in the New Year to discuss a Planning Policy Statement for this Council.

The meeting closed at 8.04 pm