

Marlborough Town Council



Planning Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the Planning Committee held Monday, 25 April 2022 in the Court Room, Marlborough Town Hall at 7pm

PRESENT Councillor Mervyn Hall Chairman
Councillor Mark Cooper Town Mayor (*ex officio*)
Councillor Andrew Ross
Councillor Noel Barrett-Morton
Councillor Donald Heath
Councillor Jo Waltham
Councillor Richard Allen
Councillor Kymee Cleasby
Councillor James Sheppard
Councillor Caroline Thomas
Councillor Mark Luson

ALSO PRESENT Richard Spencer-Williams Town Clerk
Dawn Whitehall Corporate Services Officer
Belinda Richardson Tourism Officer
Neil Goodwin Marlborough.News

The meeting was preceded by a presentation by Mr Josh Dear, Head of Housing for Wiltshire at Aster Group.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions.

489/21 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from **Councillors Fogg, Farrell and Davies.**

490/21 DECLARATIONS

There were no declarations of interest.

491/21 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements.

492/21 MINUTES

Amendments were proposed by **Councillor Thomas**:

Add the resolution to item 454/21 (b) **PL/2022/02407** to read **RESOLVED**: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application and

Amend the first bullet point of 456/21 Marlborough Area Neighbourhood Plan to: “**Councillor Davies** reiterated a previous request for more detailed reports. For example, a brief summary of the questions raised, and the actions taken to respond/resolve them: she and **Councillor Thomas** were concerned that the Town Council as the Qualifying Body was not sufficiently briefed. **Councillor Davies** felt uncomfortable that she did not have enough information to be able to answer residents’ questions or support the plan”

RESOLVED: that, with two amendments, the minutes of the meeting held 4 April 2022 were approved as a true record

493/21 ACTION LOG

The updated action log was noted.

494/21 PLANNING DECISION NOTICES

Members noted the Planning Decision Notices that had been issued by Wiltshire Council.

495/21 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

a) **PL/2021/04663** – change of use from Agricultural to Equine Clinic with associated buildings, access and landscaping improvements at Poulton Mill, Poulton Hill, Marlborough for Drs Andre Buthe and Christiana Ober

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application subject to the Officer’s satisfaction that heritage assets, the landscape and environment, and the historic setting will be protected as described in comments already raised by other consultees

b) **PL/2021/11722** – infill rear extension and conservatory at 27A The Old Brew House, Kingsbury Street, Marlborough for Mrs Maddie Coles

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council has no objection to this application subject to conditions to ensure the outer materials are in keeping with nearby properties and to take account of roof lights with respect to neighbouring amenity

c) **PL/2022/02457** – alteration to the existing south-west extension (ground floor bedroom) proposes to replace the existing windows. On the north-east elevation, replace the existing modern window opening with a dormer that allows for full height French doors going between the bedroom and courtyard. Proposed black UPVC downpipe will need to be installed on the right-hand side of the new French doors. Enclose the land immediately outside the modern south-west ‘wing’ which belongs to the Coach House. Remove the existing timber gateways and posts, pave the newly enclosed area with recycled granite setts and stone paving (to match the existing finish of the courtyard) and make good any parts of the existing wall that are of a poor standard with matching red brick in lime mortar. Proposed new timber pedestrian and vehicular gates in the new part of the wall at

The Coach House, Back Lane, Marlborough for Mr Tony Kieran

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

d) PL/2022/02507 – Single storey side extension, single storey front extension, conversion of garage loft to office with external stairs and front/rear dormers at 5 Morris Road, Marlborough for Mrs B Grew

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

e) PL/2022/02256 – Demolition of existing single storey garage and addition of double storey extension, with internal alterations at 18 River Park, Marlborough for Mr & Mrs Ray

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

f) PL/2022/02883 – Change of use from residential to storage, offices and changing room associated with adjoining cinema (retrospective) at 1 The Manse, The Parade, Marlborough for Mr R Hiscox

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

496/21 WORK TO TREES

PL/2022/02620 – Remove one Cypress Tree with three trunks and 6 Cypress at rear of the garden at Four Feathers Cottage, 39 Herd Street, Marlborough for Mr Richard Hiscock

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

497/21 NEW GRIT BIN

Members noted the Town Clerk's report and considered whether to approve the acquisition and management of an additional grit bin adjacent to Ducks Meadow in response to a request from residents.

Costs were £133.69 to purchase the bin with estimated costs of £180/year labour and supplies at £159 per 25 bags. Ongoing checks and replenishment would fall to the Town Council's Grounds Team.

Discussion points included:

- The location of a grit bin at the top of Ducks Meadow made the grit inaccessible to those living lower down the hill in icy weather; the path was regularly used by residents, some elderly, and students at St John's. A grit bin at the bottom of Ducks Meadow would improve safety for all
- There was general support for the need for a bin at this location
- Members expressed disappointment that Wiltshire Council Highways, as the body responsible for highway and footpath safety and the provision of existing bins across the town, had decided not to meet this request
- Whether any other town or parish councils had taken on grit bins

RESOLVED: that Marlborough Town Council agrees to purchase an additional grit bin for Ducks Meadow

498/21

MARLBOROUGH AREA NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Examiner’s report had not yet been received but would be circulated to Members when it arrived. It was likely that suggestions and comments in the report would require amendments to be made to the plan. Once agreed by the Steering Group the updated plan would come before the Town Council for agreement. The final stage would be a public referendum: Wiltshire Council was yet to indicate when that might take place.

The meeting closed at 7.33 pm

Signed:

Chairman

Date:

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