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## MINUTES OF THE PLANNING, HIGHWAYS & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020, 6PM (ONLINE)

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**1. Welcome from the Chair of the Committee**

**2. Attendance of Councillors to be recorded**

The following Councillors were in attendance: Cllrs Chris Evans (Chair), Craig Carter, Sara Stevens, Gareth Evans, Peter Kotwica, Chantal Ash, Tracey Poulton

Two members of the public were in attendance for agenda items 5 and 8

**3. To receive and record any apologies for absence**

No apologies were received

**4. To record any declarations of interests on matters on the agenda**

No declarations of interest were made

**5. To receive any public representations at the discretion of the Committee Chair**

A member of the public from Bulford Close spoke to the committee regarding agenda item 9b and the problems with parking in Bulford Close. He would support restrictions to try and prevent issues with residents and users of the business park, parking dangerously and inconsiderately, restricting access especially for emergency vehicles. The Chair thanked them for attending and the member of the public then left the meeting.

**7. To approve the minutes of the Planning, Highways & Environment Committee held on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

The minutes of meeting of the Planning, Highway and Environment Committee held on 26<sup>th</sup> August 2020 were proposed by Cllr Kotwica, seconded by Cllr Ash and unanimously APPROVED

**8. To discuss business relating to Planning matters**

(a) To consider the following Planning Applications:

- [20/00120/FUL](#) 35 Medway Crescent Erection of detached garage (re-submission of amended plans). This application was considered and NOTED
- [20/00785/FUL](#) 23A Rowan Gardens Erection of single storey extension to connect the main house and garage. Conversion and extension to existing garage. This application was considered and NOTED
- [20/00796/FUL](#) 46 Boverton Drive Demolition of existing conservatory, erection of a single storey rear extension and two storey side extension. This application was considered and NOTED
- [20/00637/FUL](#) Coopers Hill Farm, Cirencester Road Construction of outdoor manege. This application was considered and NOTED

- [20/00802/FUL](#) 103 Moorfield Road Erection of a detached double garage. This application was considered and NOTED
- [20/00803/FUL](#) 121 Moorfield Road Erection of a single storey side and rear. This application was considered and NOTED extension and garage
- [20/00836/FUL](#) 27 Green Gardens Erection of a single storey front extension. This application was considered and NOTED
- [20/00854/FUL](#) 18 Kennel Lane Erection of a single storey rear extension. This application was considered and NOTED

Cllr Carter and a member of the public joined the meeting at this point.

- To consider a draft objection to [20/00608/FUL](#) Land North of Perrybook, Shurdington Road and the proposed erection of 49 dwellings and associated vehicular access, public open space, landscaping and other associated infrastructure. After a lengthy discussion concerning how best to engage the community in objecting to this proposed application, it was agreed that the Cllr Action Group would meet on Monday to discuss and take forward next steps. The Clerk would promote the petition again and work with the Chair of Council to finalise the formal objection letter. The member of the public present also commented about highway safety concerns regarding the proposal and was in support of Council's objections and efforts in opposing this application.
- (b) The planning application decisions taken by Tewkesbury Borough Council were tabled and NOTED for information
- (c) Following the public consultation on proposed SEMH school to consider whether the committee wishes to respond at this time.  
It was AGREED that comments about the SEMH school would be made when the planning application was submitted.
- (d) To receive a report from Borough Councillors representing Brockworth and the Chair of the Committee following a meeting with Tewkesbury Borough Council Planning Officers.  
Following a meeting with Paul Skelton, Sandra Ford and Adrian Goode from Tewkesbury Borough Council, the Councillors present reported back on the meeting which was held to try and resolve a number of issues regarding new developments and planning enforcement in Brockworth. Councillors felt that the outcome of the meeting was unsatisfactory with many of the issues being referred to Gloucestershire County Council. The Clerk would arrange a meeting with planning Enforcement when they next visited Perrybrook.

## **9. To discuss business relating to Highway matters**

- (a) To discuss correspondence from Hucclecote Parish Council concerning proposed TRO's in Coopers Edge.  
The Chair and Clerk had visited the area of Coopers Edge to ascertain the level of problems and whether any measures are necessary. It was felt that as we had not received any complaints or witnessed any evidence of any issues that we would not put forward any suggestions for parking restrictions to be included in the TRO proposed by Hucclecote Parish Council at this time.

- (b) To discuss correspondence from Hucclecote Parish Council concerning proposed TRO's in Bulford Close.  
It was agreed that the Chair would visit the site before the Committee considered whether to incorporate this into a combined TRO with Hucclecote Parish Council
- (c) To note correspondence from GCC concerning the extension of the footpath closure (EBW8) until 31 May 2021 due to construction works.  
This closure extension was NOTED and the Clerk would monitor the closure period to make sure it doesn't over run.
- (d) To discuss highway safety issues around Schools in Brockworth.  
The Chair had met with the County Council Road Safety officer and monitored activity outside Brockworth Academy, we are awaiting their report. It was AGREED that this matter would be put on the next agenda to allow for further discussion of these issues.
- (e) To discuss issues regarding anti-social use of scooters and bikes through alleys in Brockworth. The Clerk was asked to investigate what measures maybe possible to help address the situation and to report back to the next committee meeting.

**10. To discuss business relating to Environment matters**

- (a) To discuss how trees in Brockworth especially those covered by Preservation Orders can be protected.  
the Clerk has requested a list and map of TPO trees in Brockworth to better enable us to monitoring the situation. It was proposed by Cllr S Stevens, seconded by Cllr Carter and unanimously AGREED to establish a Environment Working Group to explore how we can better improve and protect out local environment. Cllrs Ash, Carter, Evans, Harwood & Poulton all expressed interest in being part of the working group.

**11. To consider responding to the following government consultations**

- (a) [Changes to the current planning system](#)
- (b) [Planning for the future - The Planning White Paper](#)  
Both consultations were considered with dismay about the loss of local voice and control over planning decisions that affect local communities. It was felt that a consultation response from a single parish council would have very little impact on the outcome and that the Council would not send a response at this time and monitor the situation.

**12. To receive any financial reports relating to the work of the committee**

The finance report for the committee was NOTED

**13. To receive a verbal update from the Clerk on any urgent correspondence relating to the work of the Committee**

The Clerk reported on an issues that had been raised about the Kennel Lane Watermead development which would be passed to Planning Enforcement to investigate.  
The Clerk has also received correspondence from the contractors on Mill lane with an update concerning the works outside Henley Bank School. The Clerk would share the update with the wider community via social media to try and minimise the issues at this location.

- 14.** The date of the next Planning, Highways & Environment Committee which will be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020 at 7pm online via ZOOM was NOTED and the Chair closed the meeting at 7.30pm.