



# Devizes Town Council

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## **PLANNING COMMITTEE**

You are summonsed to attend a meeting of the Planning Committee at the following, place and date.

Date: 26 June 2018

Time: Immediately following Special Full Council.

Venue: Council Chamber, Town Hall, St John's Street, Devizes

Enquiries: Town Hall - Tel: 01380 722160

Mayor: Councillor Geddes

Chairman: Councillor Rose

Councillors:	Bridewell	Burton	Carter
	Corbett	P Evans	S Evans
	Gay	Giraud-Saunders	Godwin
	Greenwood	Hopkins	Johnson
	Nash	Parsons	Rowland
	Shaw	Stevens	Von Berg
	Wooldridge		

## **AGENDA**

### **1. MINUTES**

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 12 June 2018 and which have been circulated alongside the agenda.

### **2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

### **3. DISCLOSURE(S) OF INTEREST**

To receive any disclosure(s) of interest by a Councillor or an officer in matters to be considered at this meeting, in accordance with provisions of Sections 94 or 117 of the Local Government Act 1972 or the National Code of Local Government Conduct.

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

At the Chairman's discretion, members of the public attending the meeting will be allowed to ask questions, make a statement or address the Council upon a matter of concern to that person which is relevant to the Council. A time limit of 5 minutes per person will be permitted, but this may be extended at the Chairman's discretion and a maximum period of 20 minutes has been allocated by the Council for this item of business.

5. Details of Planning Applications for Consideration are attached (doc 5/1).

Members wishing to make enquiries about any of the applications listed or inspect plans before the meeting are advised to do so on line at Wiltshire Council.

**6. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – WILTSHIRE COUNCIL'S NOTICE OF PLANS GRANTED OR REFUSED**

Attached (doc 6/1) a list of plans granted, refused or withdrawn.

**7. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – STREET SCENE IMPROVEMENTS**

Following the successful completion of the Chequers refurbishment, officers are becoming increasingly conscious that other areas of the town are looking unmanaged and are in need of improvement.

Two such areas are to the front of Sainsbury's and to the front of the sorting office. Whilst these areas are the responsibility of Wiltshire Council, given their current strategy for street enhancement, it is unlikely that there will be any short term improvements to tidy them up.

Officers have applied to the Area Board for a £5000 capital grant to replace the existing round seating which is falling to pieces and will include five bespoke benches to match the style in Hillworth Park and one WW1 commemoration bench.



Other work will include repainting the lamp columns and other street furniture, replacing the bins and placing additional planters.

The project cost will be in the region of £10,000 and officers have written to Sainsbury's for a contribution. The balance of the project which could be up to £5000, if Sainsbury's forward. If the Area Board grant is not successful, then the project would be shelved until funding can be found.

**8. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF BRICKLEY LANE (PART) AND JUMP FARM ROAD**

Wiltshire Council are hereby giving notice of a temporary closure of Brickley Lane and Jump Farm Road, as per attached (doc 8/1).

**9. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF C243 WHISTLEY ROAD, POTTERNE**

Wiltshire Council are hereby giving notice of a temporary closure of C243 Whistley Road, Potterne, as per attached (doc 9/1).

**10. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – PLANNING APPLICATION 8/03223/FUL CHALET BUNGALOWS BROWFORT CAMPUS.**

At its meeting on the 22 May 2018 the committee objected to planning application 18/03223/FUL, for 6 chalet bungalows with car parking, on the Browfort campus.

At that meeting the following observations were made.

THAT the committee objects to the application on the grounds that it is an over development of the site, the loss of green space within the development which had been guaranteed within the original application and also the increase in traffic in an area where specialised works take place.

We have now received comments from The Planning Bureau Ltd who are the agents for the developer, having responded to those concerns. This application has been called in, therefore it will be determined by the Eastern Area Planning Committee on the 12 July.

A copy of these comments are attached at docs 10/1 – 10/3.

## 11. REPORT FOR DECISION – COUNCILLOR PLANNING TRAINING

### **Recommendation**

That the committee decides if it wishes Councillors to undertake training on the principles of the planning system.

### **Purpose of the Report**

To decide if the committee wishes to seek training for members on the principles of training.

### **Background**

A number of Councillors have asked for planning training and officers have now had a discussion with a planning trainer who can help.

What is suggested is two sessions, session one setting out an understanding of the planning system and in session two, how to make a meaningful objection.

Each session will be about 2 to 2½ hours and could be an early evening or Saturday morning.

The cost is fixed and is £350.00 per session, therefore it would be an opportunity for all members of the Council to train together. If needed, spaces could be offered to neighbouring councils.

### **Options Considered**

The committee needs to decide if it wishes officers to arrange group planning training sessions for members of the Council.

### **Implications and Risks**

#### **Financial and Resource Implications**

Training of this nature is funded through the members' training budget.

#### **Legal Implications and Legislative Powers**

The Council will be considering this matter under its General Power of Competence.

#### **Environmental Implications**

Officers are unaware of any environmental implication for the Council associated with this decision.

#### **Risk Assessment**

Officers are unaware of any risk implication for the Council associated with this decision.

**Crime and Disorder**

Officers are not aware of any issues the Council should consider under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder act 1998.

**11. QUESTION TIME**

A short time is allowed at the discretion of the Chairman for councillors to ask questions on matters which are not on the current agenda but which are related to matters which have been previously discussed on an agenda relevant to the committee.

At least 24 hours' notice must be given to officers of the intended question. All other matters should be raised on an agenda and the request should be submitted through the Town Clerk

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK