



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: 14 APRIL 2015

Time: 7.00pm.

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

Enquiries: Town Hall - Tel: 01380 722160

Mayor: Councillor Mrs Bridewell

Chairman: Councillor Giraud-Saunders

Councillors: Mrs Burton
East
Geddes
Nash
Mrs Rose

Carter
Evans
Hopkins
Ody
Smith

Corbett
Mrs Evans
Johnson
Parker
Wooldridge

AGENDA

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 31 March 2015 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. FOR DECISION – WILTSHIRE COUNCIL'S NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

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Attached (doc 6/1) a list of plans granted, refused or withdrawn.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 - POTTERNE ROAD RAILWAY BRIDGE

Councillor East has been approached by a local resident who is concerned that a large gap under the bridge had become evident following the infilling of Potterne Road Bridge some time ago.

Helen Powdrill, a Wiltshire Highway engineer inspected the bridge at Potterne Road and whilst there is a gap she advises that there is no cause for concern. She also advised that the scheme is in hand to infill Pans Lane and will more than likely undertake any remedial work at this bridge while that scheme is ongoing.

8. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – WILTSHIRE PARKING STRATEGY

Following various members concerns about some of the recommendation for Devizes contained within the Parking Strategy for Wiltshire, officers wrote to Councillor Philip Whitehead, Cabinet Member for Highway and Transport to ensure that Wiltshire Council were aware of the Town Council's concerns. Currently only an acknowledgment letter has been received in response.

A copy of the letter was also sent to Councillor Simon Jacobs, Chairman of the Area Board who has advised that he also believes that the western end of Station Road car park should be free of charge and shares the members concerns over automated payment systems.

Councillor Jacobs also has concerns about the eventual use of Castle Lane car park and believes it needs a great deal of thought. He would therefore welcome a discussion on the subject with the Town Council.

9. REPORT FOR DECISION – 20mph SPEED RESTRICTION ASSESSMENT FOR DEVIZES EAST AND FUNDING REQUEST

Recommendation

That the Committee considers the papers circulated with the agenda for the meeting of this Committee on 31 March 2015 together with the colour plan, issued alongside, and decided whether it supports either of the schemes, and if so, whether it wishes to explore a financial contribution towards one of the schemes.

Purpose of the Report

To consider the options for 20mph limit for Devizes East and consider whether the Town Council should make any financial contribution to such a scheme.

Background

Wiltshire Council have developed a 20mph speed reduction for residential roads in the east of Devizes. The attached coloured map circulated alongside the agenda highlights the roads where a 20mph limit would be appropriate. The scheme will require various traffic calming measures which will reinforce the reduced speed limit

The committee has reviewed the full report at its meeting on 31 March 2015; however CATG who are promoting scheme are exploring if there is any match funding available for implementation and have therefore set requested if any finance is available from the Town Council.

Options Considered

The paper sets out two options

Option 1 – Implement a 20mph speed limit within the estate (with the exclusion of Jump Farm Road). Brickley Lane should have hard engineering traffic calming features such as speed cushions, chicanes or raised tables, which will ensure drivers lower their speed in this particular area. The hard engineering features will run from its junction with Jump Farm Road to its junction with Nursteed Close.

This option has an indicative cost of £30,000 and it is expected that this solution would have the effect of decreasing driving speeds by 2-3mph.

Option 2 – Implement a 20mph speed limit within the estate (excluding Jump Farm Road). This will consist of repeater signing only. There will be additional soft engineering measures on Brickley Lane from its junction with Jump Farm Road to its junction with Nursteed Close. This will help to remind drivers to lower their speed in this area.

This option has an indicative cost of £10,000 and it is expected that this solution would have the effect of decreasing driving speeds by less than 1mph.

The Community Area Traffic Group (CATG) has requested that Devizes Town Council reviews the options and considers whether it is prepared to make a financial contribution towards one of the schemes.

Implications and Risks

Financial and Resource Implications

The request for funding support is not explicit in terms of percentage in relation to CATG funding.

There is no specific funding budgeted for this project, however, it may be possible to allocate unused capital receipt if the committee was minded to financially support the project.

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

Failure to contribute to the scheme may result in the project not being delivered and excessive speeds being reached in a residential area.

Crime and Disorder

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

10. REPORT FOR DECISION – DOG FOULING SIGN REQUEST

Recommendation

That the Committee considers a request for signage to deter dog fouling in Station Road and Rotherstone.

Purpose of the Report

To respond to an Area Board issues log request for more dog fouling signage.

Background

An issue has been reported through the issues log system for more signs to encourage dog owners to clean up after their pets.

For any action to be taken a request placed through the issues log system needs to be endorsed by the parish council.

The request is for signs in Station Road and Rotherstone.

Options Considered

The Committee needs to decide if they support this request.

Implications and Risks

Financial and Resource Implications

Officers are unaware of any Finance and Resource implication for the Council associated with this decision .

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. REPORT FOR DECISION – CIL CONSULTATION

Recommendation

That the Committee decides if it wishes to comment on the draft Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), and the draft Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulation 123 List.

Purpose of the Report

To review the draft Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), and the draft Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulation 123 List and pass any comments the committee may have back to Wiltshire Council.

Background

On 16 March 2015, the Planning Inspectorate issued the report into the examination of the Wiltshire Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Draft Charging Schedule. CIL is a charge that local authorities in England can place on developments in their area. The money generated through the levy will contribute towards the funding of infrastructure to support growth.

From April 2015, Wiltshire Council will be restricted in its ability to pool infrastructure contributions from new developments through the existing mechanism of Section 106 agreements.

The Examiner's report concludes that the Wiltshire Council Draft Community Infrastructure Levy Charging Schedule provides an appropriate basis for the collection of CIL in Wiltshire, subject to some minor modifications to improve clarity.

Wiltshire Council is consulting on a draft Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document (SPD), a draft Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Regulation 123 List and a CIL policies consultation document.

Together, when finalised, they will support the introduction of the Wiltshire CIL Draft Charging Schedule and set out how the council will seek infrastructure contributions from development.

The draft Planning Obligations SPD explains how the council will use section 106 planning obligations. It details how they will operate alongside other mechanisms for securing developer contributions, such as CIL, section 278 (highways) agreements and planning conditions.

The draft Regulation 123 List sets out the infrastructure types or projects that the council may fund through CIL. The council is also consulting on a draft instalments policy for CIL payments and its position on other CIL policies including provisions for exemptions.

In accordance with the Wiltshire Council's Statement of Community Involvement (SCI), comments are invited on these documents which have been circulated alongside the agenda for committee member's consideration.

Options Considered

The committee needs to decide if it has any comments on these documents.

Implications and Risks

Financial and Resource Implications

Officers are unaware of any Finance and Resource implication for the Council associated with this decision.

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.

12. 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