



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: 18th January 2022

Time: 7pm

Place: Ceres Hall, Corn Exchange, Market Place

Enquiries: Tel: 01380 723333

Chairman: Deputy Mayor, Councillor Corbett

Councillors:	Bridewell	Britten	Brown
	Burton	East	Gay
	Geddes	Giraud-Saunders	Greenwood
	Hopkins	Hoult	Hunter
	Nash	Oliver	Ormerod
	Pennington	Rose	Stevens
	Wallis	Wooldridge	

*Please note that Inspector Al Lumley, Sgt Gareth Cole and PCSO Chloe Lavelle from Wiltshire Police will be attending an informal meeting with Councillors prior to the Planning Meeting, **at 6pm**, to discuss the problem of antisocial behaviour in the town.*

AGENDA

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 4th January 2022 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. REPORT FOR DECISION – 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Attached ([doc 6/1](#)) a list of plans granted, refused or withdrawn.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 DECISION – EXTENSION OF RESIDENTIAL PARKING RESTRICTIONS IN VICTORIA ROAD

Recommendation

That the Committee instructs officers to work with Wiltshire Council's Highways department to investigate what parking restrictions may be appropriate to restrict parking adjacent to St Mary's gardens and to seek assurances from Wiltshire Council's parking enforcement team

Purpose of the Report

For the committee to consider a request from relatives of a resident of St Mary's Gardens that either residents' parking restrictions in Victoria Road be extended as far as St Mary's Gardens, or other parking restrictions be investigated. Furthermore, to seek assurances that those parking restrictions currently in place are policed.

Background

Two members of the public have contacted Councillors to complain that carers are finding it very difficult to park near St Marys Gardens in Victoria Road in order to provide care to relatives who are residents of the Almshouses.

They contend that since residents' parking restrictions have been established in Victoria Road between New Park Road and the junction

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with Sedgefield Gardens and the traffic restrictions have been brought in near Rotherstone, the number of cars parking for extended periods of time near St Marys Gardens has increased, making it impossible for them to park for short periods to provide care or pick up and drop off relatives with mobility issues.

They believe that both residents of Victoria Road who do not wish to pay for sufficient permits for their vehicles and those working in town are parking there, sometimes leaving vehicles for days at a time.

The area outside St Marys Gardens, which starts immediately following the residents' parking zone is made up of a stretch of double yellow Lines (9m), single yellow lines (9m), unrestricted parking (9m), double yellow lines (20m), and then unrestricted parking to the end of the building (15m). All measurements are approximate, but are illustrated on the plan below.



Currently the area of single yellow lines, which could be used to restrict parking at certain times and for specific durations, is abused by people parking for long periods. Extending these single yellow lines to join from the first set of doubles to the second set, with a restriction on waiting time and providing enforcement, could provide an area for carers and visitors to stop for short periods and leaving the second area of unrestricted parking as it is.

Alternatively, the area of single yellow line and the first area of parking could be marked as restricted parking with a 1-hour limit.

Options Considered

The committee are asked to approve the following actions:

- That officers are asked to investigate with Wiltshire Councils Highways department what restrictions could be applied to this area to restrict parking to residents and visitors;
- That the Council consults informally with residents and users of Victoria Road on their views on further parking restrictions in this area, using direct mailing and an online survey;
- That Wiltshire's Council's parking services be asked to confirm that measures to manage parking within the single yellow line restriction are in place.

Implications and Risks

Financial and Resource Implications

At this stage, officers are unaware of any financial or 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.

8. REPORT FOR DECISION – UPGRADING OF THE PEDESTRIAN CROSSING IN BATH ROAD

Recommendation

That the committee supports a resident's request for the pedestrian crossing in Bath Road to be upgraded to a light-controlled crossing.

Purpose of the Report

To consider a request by a resident of Bath Road for the upgrading of the pedestrian crossing in Bath Road.

Background

Councillor Wallis has been contacted by a resident of Bath Road complaining that they have had several near misses where vehicles have failed to stop at the existing zebra crossing and have asked for action to make this area safer.

Bath Road is one of the main routes through Devizes and a large number of vehicles, from private cars and motorbikes through to HGV's, use it every day. Historically there has been an issue with speeding on this stretch of road particularly with vehicles heading out of town who speed up as they head downhill and on to a fairly open road. This has led to a number of accidents at the bottom of this stretch of road, including fatalities, where vehicles fail to stop before they reach the bridge.

The resident contends that the speed of the vehicles means that they frequently fail to see people at the crossing (roughly halfway down the road), or fail to see the crossing itself, and do not stop.

There is a request for the upgrading this crossing to a Pedestrian light-controlled crossing. This would make it safer for those waiting to cross and is likely to have an overall positive impact on reducing speeding on this stretch of road.

A light controlled crossing would be more visible so drivers are more likely to see it, more likely to stop, and less likely to reach uncontrollable speeds by the time they reach Prison Bridge.

Should the committee support this request, it will be sent to the Community Area Traffic Group for a final decision. 25% of the cost of works carried out by the Community Areas Transport Group will be passed on to the Parish Council who requested it.

Options Considered

The Committee needs to decide if it supports this request and that it is passed to the Community Area Traffic Group for final approval. In agreeing to support this request, the committee further agrees that it will pay 25% of the cost of the work.

Implications and Risks

Financial and Resource Implications

At this time, officers are unaware of the cost of this work but the Council carries an annual budget of £20,000 to support highway improvement initiatives actioned by the Community Area Transport Group.

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.

9. REPORT FOR DECISION – DEVIZES PARKING RESTRICTION SUBMISSIONS

Recommendation

That the committee identifies areas where it would like to see waiting restrictions brought in, that will help manage the follow of traffic in the Town.

Purpose of the Report

For the Town Council to agree locations where it would wish Wiltshire Council to agree waiting restrictions in the form of double yellow lines to be introduced in Devizes.

Background

On an annual basis, Wiltshire Council considers requests from town and parish Councils for additional waiting restrictions in the form of double yellow lines. These restrictions are generally considered on an annual basis due to the substantial cost of drawing up traffic orders, therefore there are benefits in combining numerous restrictions into the same order.

At the meeting of this committee on the 4th January it was agreed to defer the request for Devizes to give sufficient time for member to consider where amendments are needed.

In putting a request forward, the committee needs to provide as much detail regarding any issues or problems a location may have, for example if the request is near a school and the plan would reduce the amount of perceived dangerous school parking, information should be gathered about days and time of day when the problem occurs.

Any submission also needs to identify any particular impact on road safety, for example have there been any accidents that have occurred due to the lack of restrictions and whether the police and emergency services were involved, this should be supported with dates when accidents occurred. Other concerns that can be listed are poor visibility of the highway, for example parked vehicles obscuring sight lines at junctions.

Since that meeting the following requests have come forward:

Location: Roseland Avenue, Junction with Nursteed Road, Opposite side of Road to Moonrakers pub.

Reason for request: Currently there are no parking restrictions on this part of the road and vehicles regularly park all the way up to the junction. The number of town centre workers and residents using this area to park has increased in recent years and parents dropping children off and picking them up from school also regularly stop here. As cars parked here cannot be seen from Nursteed road when turning left into Roseland Avenue they can become a hazard to drivers who may need to veer sharply around them whilst they turn. This is a busy junction and a short stretch of Double Yellow Lines would make it safer

Impact on road safety: As outlined above. I am unaware of any accidents here specifically related to this issue though witness on a daily basis drivers having to stop or swerve as they enter the road. Having been a resident here since 2009 and familiar with the issue I am still often caught out by how close vehicles are parked to the junction.

Impact on access for emergency, public transport, utilities: No specific impact other than the general one that improved road safety would have

Location: Entrance to Lansdowne Grove, Sheep Street.

Reason for Request: The exit from Lansdown Grove (several properties) leads over Lansdowne Road to join Sheep Street adjacent to Morris Lane at the junction between Sheep Street and Hare & Hounds Street and immediately adjacent to the mini-roundabout with Bridewell Street. The private road crosses the pavement with a double width dropped curb onto Sheep Street. Facing Sheep Street, to the left of the junction, the controlled parking area starts in Sheep Street and

to the right of the junction there is marked disabled bay prior to the off-street parking in Bridewell Street.

The dropped curb of Lansdowne Road has no form of restrictions to deter obstructive parking. It is the only dropped curb in Sheep Street without a double yellow line protecting it. Almost everyday vehicles park obstructing the exit to some extent. Some overlap the marked parking bay in Sheep Street and partly obstruct the dropped curb, whilst others park outside the disabled bay next to Morris Lane but obstructing part of the full width of the dropped curb.

Impact on Road Safety: unaware of any accidents here specifically. Residents have experienced many near misses with cyclists and other motorists at this junction due to the obstruction of sightlines restricting visibility at the junction. The impact of vehicles parked as described is to restrict sightlines to left and right, making this a dangerous turn. In addition, the restriction of the full exit width and the need to pass obstructively parked cars forces a vehicle exiting Lansdowne Road to make a '90 degree' turn in either direction rather than a graduated turn. When cars are parked in front of the dropped curb it becomes necessary to creep close to the centre line of the road to see traffic in either direction before committing to make a turn. This takes place too close to the existing mini-roundabout and street furniture at the junction of Sheep/Bridewell and Hare & Hounds streets.

Impact on access for emergency, public transport, utilities: In cases where the dropped curb is obstructed on both sides, there is insufficient access for delivery and emergency vehicles and the entire access is also sometimes blocked. This would stop fire engines accessing the properties at the far end of the development for example.

Location: Lay-by, Bath Road, next to St Peters School development and opposite Shanes Castle.

Reason for Request: Residents of the development have asked for double yellow lines to be painted in the layby at this location either in full or in part. They contend that now the site is no longer a school and there is sufficient parking on the site for the residents there is no need for parking at this location. They state that cars parked here close to the site entrance obscure their view to the right when exiting which is dangerous given the volume of traffic and the speed some vehicles are travelling on this stretch of road.

Impact on Road Safety: unaware of any accidents at this location. The contention is that a full or partial removal of parking in this location will improve visibility and therefore make it safer to exit the site.

Impact on access for emergency, public transport, utilities: No specific impact.

Location: Hartmoor Road

Reason for request; Currently there are double yellow lines leading from Hillworth Road around into Hartmoor Road. They cover the first drive in Hartmoor Road and extend approximately 2.5 metres further. The gap after the double yellow lines and before the driveway give insufficient room for cars to park before going over the next driveway. People however park regularly here, either partially or totally blocking access. On the opposite side of the road there is a driveway and access is impaired by cars parking

Impact on Road Safety: Unaware of any accidents here specifically.

Impact on access for emergency, public transport, utilities: No specific impact.

Committee members may also wish to table suggestions at the meeting setting out the reason for the suggestion, any implications for road safety and any implications for emergency access.

Once the committee has identified and agreed all the locations for possible amendments to waiting restrictions in Devizes, officers will complete the appropriate waiting restriction request form and submit it to Wiltshire Council.

Options Considered

The committee is requested to advise officers if there are any identified locations for additional waiting restrictions through the implementation of double yellow lines, and the justification for such requests as set out in the report.

Implications and Risks

Financial and Resource Implications

Officers are unaware of any financial or 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.

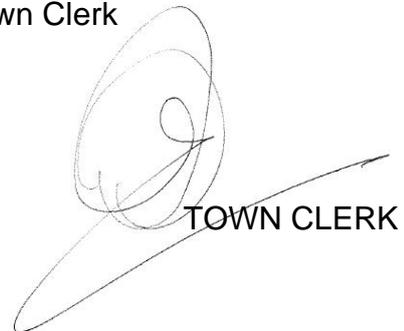
Crime and Disorder

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

10. 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



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Committee Members :

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DOC5/1 . **PL/2021/03981** Plot Ref :- Type :- LISTED
Applicant Name :- Mr Martin Bowyer Date Received :- 10/01/2022
Parish :- North Date Returned :-
Location :- 81 Southbroom Road Agent
Devizes
Proposals :- To change the first floor front elevation bedroom window like for like
Observations :-

DOC5/1 . **PL/2021/11365** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Mr Justin Whiting Date Received :- 04/01/2022
Parish :- South Date Returned :-
Location :- 2 Stanley Villas Agent
Pans Lane
Devizes
Proposals :- Extension to garage to form Gym (use class E(d)) and associated
works
Observations :-

DOC5/1 . **PL/2021/11773** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Sovereign Housing Association Date Received :- 29/12/2021
Parish :- North Date Returned :-
Location :- The Warden's Lodge Agent
76 New Park Street
Devizes
Proposals :- Replacement of the full fabric of the roof to repair the sagging roof
at 76 New Park Street
Observations :-

DOC5/1 . **PL/2021/11804** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Barclays Bank plc Date Received :- 04/01/2022
Parish :- North Date Returned :-
Location :- 3 St Johns Street Agent
Devizes
Proposals :- Decommission Barclays Bank. External works inc removal of
existing external signage, removal of 1x existing ATM and install
new timber panelling on existing door to match existing entrance
door. Removal of 1x existing night safe and reinstate 1x existing
window to match existing. Internal works proposed are the removal
of internal counters and removal of all internal furniture
Observations :-

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DOC5/1 .	PL/2021/11814	Plot Ref :-	Type :- FULL
	Applicant Name :- Mr Stuart Barnett		Date Received :- 31/12/2021
	Parish :- East		Date Returned :-
	Location :- 12 Waylands Devizes	Agent	
	Proposals :- Demolish existing conservatory and erect a new sun room, including all other associated works		
	Observations :-		
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DOC5/1 .	PL/2022/00003	Plot Ref :-	Type :- TREE CONS
	Applicant Name :- Michael Spiller		Date Received :- 07/01/2022
	Parish :- North		Date Returned :-
	Location :- Awdry Bailey Douglas 32-33 St Johns Street Devizes	Agent	
	Proposals :- T1 Yew tree - approximately 40%, 3m crown reduction. Tree is situated in the car park and getting too big		
	Observations :-		
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DOC5/1 .	PL/2022/00018	Plot Ref :-	Type :- TPO
	Applicant Name :- Mr Maxwell Bishop		Date Received :- 07/01/2022
	Parish :- South		Date Returned :-
	Location :- The Views Pinetum Close Devizes	Agent	
	Proposals :- Cedar tree reduction. Willow tree pollard. See supporting documentation		
	Observations :-		
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DOC5/1 .	PL/2022/00050	Plot Ref :-	Type :- LISTED
	Applicant Name :- Barclays Bank plc		Date Received :- 04/01/2022
	Parish :- North		Date Returned :-
	Location :- 3 St Johns Street Devizes	Agent	
	Proposals :- Decommission Barclays Bank. External works inc removal of existing external signage, removal of 1x existing ATM and install new timber panelling on the existing door to match existing entrance door. Removal of 1x existing night safe and reinstate 1x existing window to match existing. Internal works proposed are the removal of internal counters and removal of all internal furniture		
	Observations :-		

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DOC5/1 . **PL/2022/00087** Plot Ref :- Type :- TPO
Applicant Name :- Mr Michael Scoffield Date Received :- 10/01/2022
Parish :- Roundway Date Returned :-
Location :- Adastra House Agent
London Road
Devizes
Proposals :- Weeping willow tree - pollard
Observations :-

DOC5/1 . **PL/2022/00119** Plot Ref :- Type :- FULL
Applicant Name :- Mr Geoffrey Moreton Date Received :- 07/01/2022
Parish :- East Date Returned :-
Location :- 9 Eastleigh Close Agent
Devizes
Proposals :- Installation of front door and windows to the open porch area and
single storey rear extension
Observations :-

DOC5/1 . **PL/2022/00218** Plot Ref :- Type :- TPO
Applicant Name :- Mr Robert Slack Date Received :- 11/01/2022
Parish :- South Date Returned :-
Location :- Poppy Cottage Agent
Old Park
Devizes
Proposals :- Various works to Trees T1-T10 and also W1
Observations :-

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS WHICH WILTSHIRE COUNCIL HAVE EITHER
GRANTED OR REFUSED PLANNING PERMISSION

Reference	Details	Applicant	Devizes Town Council Response	Granted or Refused
PL/2021/10123	Minor internal alterations and exterior stone protection – at 2 St Johns Churchyard	Mr P Tanswell	No objection, 23/11/2021	Granted, 15/12/2021
PL/2021/07652	Single storey flat roof rear extension with roof terrace. Replacement of first floor window with doors – at 2 Cheltenham Villas, Bath Road	Mr Neil Lyons	No objection, 31/08/2021	Granted, 22/12/2021
PL/2021/08402	Erection of raised garden deck; construction of steps; installation of black steel railing balustrades to steps and decked area – at 28 Northgate Street	Mr & Mrs Danny Squire	No objection, 28/09/2021	Granted, 22/12/2021
PL/2021/09353	Internal alterations to remove stud wall dividing rear staircase from rest of the house. Erect stud wall to create a landing, allowing access from existing landing/stairwell to three bedrooms through a fourth bedroom. New boiler flue and vent to basement – at Heathcote House, Southbroom Road	Felix Oliver	No objection, 09/11/2021	Granted, 22/12/2021
PL/2021/11002	Proposed new front door – at 45 New Park Street	Mr Julian Duffill	No objection, 14/12/2021	Granted, 31/12/2021
PL/2021/11157	Proposed new front door – at 45 New Park Street	Mr Julian Duffill	No objection, 14/12/2021	Granted, 31/12/2021