

Minutes of Planning, Development Control & Highways Committee Meeting held on 25th January 2017 at 7.00pm at Tidenham War Memorial Hall.

Present:

Cllr J Powell (Chair), Cllr R. O'Toole, Cllr N. Evans, Cllr R. Duff.

Kevin Duffin – Administrative Assistant (Minutes).

Note: Cllr Evans attended as an observer but was co-opted onto the committee, by unanimous vote, for this meeting only.

1 ATTENDANCE

a. **To receive** apologies for absence from those councillors unable to attend.

Apologies received from Cllr Birch, Cllr Gregory and Cllr Bollen.

b. **To consider for acceptance** those apologies received with reasons for absence.

Resolved to accept the apologies from Cllrs Birch, Gregory & Bollen.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

a. **To receive Declarations of Interest** in respect of matters contained in this agenda, in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1972 in respect of officers and in accordance with the provisions of the Localism Act 2011 in respect of members.

Interests may be declared at any time during the meeting should they become apparent.

None declared.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

a. **To consider for approval** as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21st December 2016.

Resolved to accept the minutes as a true record.

b. **To consider** any matters arising from those minutes.

None raised.

4 PUBLIC CONSULTATION

a. **To receive and consider any questions from the Public** which may be answered but not debated.

The author of the email considered in agenda item 11a of this meeting spoke about the increase in speeding and the increase in traffic volumes along Gloucester Rd between the A48 junction and the dual mini-roundabouts. He also raised the subject of speeding along Coleford Rd. Both subjects are considered in agenda items 11a,b & c

5 TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED RE PLANNING ISSUES

a. **To consider** an email regarding the state of the Rising Sun in Woodcroft.

The Rising Sun has been closed for some time now and is appears to be in a general 'run-down' state.

Resolved that the Administrative Assistant will contact the owner to enquire about his intentions for the future of the property.

6 TO CONSIDER OTHER PLANNING ISSUES

- a. **Report** on the status of new windows in Sedbury Surgery.
Windows have only been replaced at the front of the old Post Office so far.
The project is ongoing.
- b. **Report** on the visibility of Tump Farm from the rest of the parish.
The view is currently dominated by several porta-cabin office units.
The view of the solar panel units is shielded by a 2m high wire-linked deer fence and a 1.5m high thicket hedge. No action required.

7 TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

- a. **P0008/17/TPO** - St Johns on the Hill School, Castleford Hill, Tutshill.
Works to Sycamore T4 of TPO218 to remove deadwood and one low branch overhanging driveway back to branch collar at 0.5m off stem and works to T6 of TPO218 to Sever and strip ivy, remove major deadwood and clear branches off telephone line to give 2m clearance.
No objection.
- b. **P0004/17/FUL** – 8, Wyebank Road, Sedbury.
Rear extension to existing dwelling.
No objection.
- c. **P1795/16/FUL** – 9, The Myrtles, Tutshill.
Erection of conservatory to rear of dwelling.
No objection.
- d. **P0001/17/FUL** - South View, Netherhope Lane, Tidenham.
Erection of a single storey extension, garage and decked area.
Objection. The Parish council objects to this application for the following reasons:
 - i. The character of the building would be lost
 - ii. The development would be totally out of sync with the surrounding areaNote the documentation submitted is inadequate. A set of architectural drawings should be submitted to allow a fully informed decision to be made.

8 TO NOTE PLANNING DECISIONS TAKEN BY FODDC AND GCC

The following application was issued with an LDC

- a. **P1526/16/LD2** – 11, Grahamstown Road, Sedbury.
Application under Section 192 for the removal of garden wall, creation of drop kerb to allow access to gravel drive.

The following application was withdrawn

- b. **P1705/16/TPO** - St Johns on the Hill, Castleford Hill, Tutshill.
Works to Sycamore T4 of TPO218 to remove deadwood and one low branch overhanging driveway back to branch collar at 0.5m from stem and works to Sycamore T7 of TPO218 to sever and strip ivy, remove major deadwood and clear branches off telephone line to give 2m clearance.

The following applications were granted:

- c. **P1662/16/FUL** – 19, Model Cottages, Sedbury.
Erection of orangery style extension to rear of property.
- d. **P1634/16/FUL** - Dennel House, Tidenham Chase.
First floor extension and alterations to existing dwelling.
- e. **P1452/16/FUL** – 15, Loop Road, Beachley.
Erection of a full width single storey rear extension. Demolition of existing rear single storey flat roof extension.
- f. **P1396/16/FUL** – 15, Beachley Road, Tutshill.
Erection of a full width single storey rear extension. Demolition of existing rear single storey flat roof extension.
- g. **P1271/16/FUL** - Elm Cottage, Stoulgrove Lane, Woodcroft.
Side and rear extensions to dwelling together with change of use of adjacent land to accommodate new site access and traffic passing bay (part retrospective).

9 TO REPORT ON PLANNING DECISIONS TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED POWERS (s101)

- a. **None**

10 TO REPORT ON PLANNING ENFORCEMENTS AND APPEALS

- a. **APP/P1615/W/16/3158656** - Wall Weir.
Appeal against decision raised by appellant.
Appeal Allowed.

11 TO CONSIDER CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED RE HIGHWAY ISSUES

- a. **To consider** the email regarding speeding in Tutshill (1).
Resolved in agenda item 11c.
- b. **To consider** the email regarding speeding in Tutshill (2).
Resolved in agenda item 11c.
- c. **To consider** the email from Highways regarding parking at Tutshill School.
The committee discussed the problem of speeding along Gloucester Rd and Coleford Rd and parking by the school in Coleford Rd. The following points were highlighted:
 - i. The safety of the Gloucester Rd – A48 junction.
Visibility of fast moving oncoming traffic is poor when turning right from the A48 into Gloucester Rd. Several accidents have occurred at this junction since it was re-modelled.
 - ii. The effectiveness of the 30mph signs in Gloucester Rd.
The area needs clearer 30mph signage where traffic leaves the faster A48 and repeater signs along the route.
 - iii. Two planned residential developments will require new road junctions in Gloucester Rd and introduce extra traffic to the area exacerbating the problem.
Resolved. The Administrative Assistant will write to Highways and the Safety Partnership to report the speeding issues and request the Safety Partnership carry out a formal review of the parking situation by Tutshill School.
- d. **To consider** the email regarding the state of the road and pavement in Wyebank Way.
Resolved. The Administrative Assistant will request Highways to carry out a safety check.

- e. **To consider** the email regarding gritting in the parish.

Resolved. The Administrative Assistant will write to Highways to emphasise the importance of gritting bus routes and request the schedule of secondary gritting.

12 TO REPORT ON HIGHWAY ISSUES

- a. Ongoing utility works in Beachley Rd & Sedbury Lane.

Many of the items reported by the Parish Council have been addressed. Outstanding items are being monitored. The trenching along Sedbury Lane appears to be finished although roadwork signs are still in place. The road is left in a very muddy state and needs to be thoroughly washed. The Administrative Assistant will write to Highways to request cleaning.

- b. Danger of wet leaves on pavement.

To note - A resident reported that his son had slipped on wet leaves on the narrow pavement between Woodcroft and Tutshill. He was advised to contact Gloucestershire Highways.

- c. BT Parking at the junction of Loop Rd & Beachley Rd.

The matter has been formally logged with BT Operations and BT Legal departments with the following outcomes:

- i. The Operations Manager will inform all drivers they must not park dangerously or on the grass at the junction.
- ii. The Legal Dept need a claim from the land owner (Highways) regarding re-instatement of the grass verge and signage. The Administrative Assistant was pass this on to Highways.

13 TO RECEIVE COUNCILLOR'S LOCAL REPORTS AND MATTERS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

- a. Cllr O'Toole asked if there was any news about resurfacing Castleford Hill and the dual mini-roundabout at the junction of Gloucester and Coleford Roads. He also queried the need for a dual roundabout which is confusing to many drivers. The Administrative Assistant will write to Highways for updates.

- b. Cllr Duff raised three issues to be included in the next full council meeting:

- i. The possibility of siting a defibrillator on the wall outside the Spar shop.
- ii. A complaint from the Spar shop that people are putting dog waste in their litter bin.
- iii. He has written a letter regarding the state of the NHS to be considered by councillors.

14 TO CONFIRM THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

- a. **Next meeting 22nd February 2017**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm