

WROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL



PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 24th July 2024 at 7:30pm
at The Ellendune Community Centre, Wroughton, Swindon, SN4 9LW

- Present** Cllr D Archer
Cllr J Hewer
Cllr B Keetch (Committee Vice-Chair & Chair of this meeting)
Cllr N McMahon
Cllr L Ramsey
Cllr E Shaw
Cllr H Woodward
- Clerk** Cathy Martyn (Deputy Clerk)
- Public** 0
- PH/38** **Apologies**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs G Cook and L Gough.
- Members RESOLVED that Cllr Keetch would chair the meeting in his capacity as Vice-Chair of the Planning & Highways Committee.**
- PH/39** **Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**
Cllr Keetch declared a personal prejudicial interest in agenda item PH/43.3, and advised he would leave the room prior to any discussion about that item.
- Members RESOLVED that Cllr Hewer would Chair the meeting for that agenda item.**
- PH/40** **Public Questions**
None.
- PH/41** **Minutes**
Members **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 26th June 2024. The Chair signed the minutes.
- PH/42** **Chairs Report**
The Chair reminded Members to email the Deputy Clerk by the end of the week with their comments on the 3 planning applications which arrived too late to be put onto the agenda for this meeting, and which would need a response by to Swindon Borough Council before the next scheduled meeting.
- PH/43** **Planning Applications Examination**
- PH/43.1** **Application number: S/24/0765**
Location: 7 Old Bakery Road, Wroughton.
Proposal: Erection of side porch.
Comments: Members RESOLVED to make NO OBJECTIONS.

PH/43.2 **Application number:** S/LDP/24/0746
Location: 2 Beranburh Field, Wroughton.
Proposal: Certificate of lawfulness (proposed) for the installation of 2m high automatic gates.
Comments: Members RESOLVED to make NO OBJECTIONS.

Cllr Keetch left the room and Cllr Hewer took over as Chair of the meeting before any discussion took place on the following agenda item.

PH/43.3 **Application number:** S/HOU/24/0773
Location: 25 Woodland View, Wroughton.
Proposal: Erection of 1st floor rear extension.
Comments: Members RESOLVED to make NO OBJECTIONS.

Cllr Keetch returned to the room and resumed as Chair of the meeting.

PH/43.4 **Application number:** S/HOU/24/0756
Location: 1 Tall Conifers, Wroughton.
Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension.
Comments: Members RESOLVED to make NO OBJECTIONS.

PH/43.5 **Application number:** SHOU/24/0759
Location: 21A Marlborough Road, Wroughton.
Proposal: Erection of detached garage.
Comments: Members RESOLVED to OBJECT for the following reasons:

- The garage would be a substantial distance in front of the building line.
- The visual impression created by the garage would not enhance the surroundings and would be completely out of keeping with the existing streetscene.
- The garage would be out of context, resulting in a poor layout which would be out of keeping with the existing built form.
- The garage would be accessed from the existing drive which is on a slope. There is no plan or information to explain how the access to the garage could be achieved without compromising the drive and also therefore the access to the existing parking spaces, which it is assumed would become inaccessible.
- The garage would potentially obscure the view up and down the road from the neighbours' driveways, and possibly also from vehicles exiting Old Bakery Road.
- The application form states no trees would need to be removed, but there was a concern that the mature tree in the front garden would need to be felled in order to accommodate the garage, which would negatively impact existing biodiversity as well as negatively impacting the streetscene.

Members RESOLVED to CALL IN this planning application if officers were minded to grant planning permission.

- PH/43.6** **Application number:** S/HOU/24/0758
Location: 21A Marlborough Road, Wroughton.
Proposal: Erection of 2 storey front extensions, single storey side & rear extensions, and rear dormer window.
Comments: Members RESOLVED to make NO OBJECTIONS as long as a 75mm gap was maintained between the building and between the boundary.
- PH/44** Responses to Swindon Borough Council on planning applications which were agreed by email:
Members RESOLVED to approve retrospectively the responses on the following planning applications which were agreed by email due to the statutory deadlines – copies of which are attached as Appendix A:
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| S/22/1624 | Land adjacent to the Co-op on Moormead Road | Revised Application | OBJECT & CALL IN if officers are minded to grant permission. |
| S/HOU/24/0703 | 55 Woodland View | Erection of new drainage mound | NO OBJECTIONS |
- PH/45** Planning Decisions.
Members **NOTED** the planning decisions which had been made by Swindon Borough Council.
- PH/46** Decisions by SBC to allow TPO Work
Members **NOTED** the following decision:
- **S/TWC/24/0601** **Woodham Mill Barn Bakers Road** **Works to trees within conservation area** **GRANT**
 - **S/TWC/24/0580** **17 Greens Lane** **Works to trees within conservation area** **GRANT**
- PH/47** Public Notices
None.
- PH/48** Wichelstowe
Members NOTED the next update meeting had been scheduled for **6.15pm on Wednesday 18th September** in the Alex Room at the ECC, and that Cllrs Cook and Woodward had given their apologies for this meeting.
- PH/49** Neighbourhood Plan
Members NOTED that the Deputy Clerk would investigate if funding is available for a consultant to provide advice as soon as possible as funding is currently due to expire after the next 6 months: <https://neighbourhoodplanning.org/about/grant-funding/>
- Members NOTED the Deputy Clerk had attended the previous day an SLCC training webinar for parishes wishing to review their Neighbourhood Plans and would feedback at the next meeting.
- PH/50** Planning Update
Members acknowledged receipt of the SLCC presentation slides on ‘The Government’s Planning Reforms’.

Strategic Priorities for 2025-26.

Members NOTED the following possible priorities already suggested which were being investigated further – updates to follow at future meetings:

- **Radar Speed signs:**
 - The age & design of SBC’s VAS means they do not collect speed data which can be downloaded into a report for analysis.
 - WPC has requested copies of data from SBC from ad hoc traffic surveys on relevant roads.
 - Each sign costs approx. £3,000 + shipping, installation, maintenance, & data retrieval.
 - Ask other parishes with these signs for their feedback.
 - Need for objective evidence on the effectiveness of radar speed signs in reducing speed:

<https://www.rospa.com/media/documents/road-safety/road-observatory/Roads-Signing-and-marking.pdf>

<https://url6.mailanyone.net/scanner?m=1sEW6g-000BkB-5B&d=4%7Cmail%2F90%2F1717515000%2F1sEW6g-000BkB-5B%7Cin6j%7C57e1b682%7C25626367%7C13533097%7C665F32EE4E4FDE78903D7A605B064D74&o=%2Fphte%3A%2Fds.rmoecykcaugnt%2Fv.k.otudo%2FenscmehT%2F4793s&s=7GDo73gAh-piN754Lz3WZ7apoCg>

- **Wroughton Neighbourhood Plan**
 - Existing NP needs to be reviewed in line with SBC’s LP, which still needs to go through the consultation process.
 - Requires budget to produce documents and obtain expert advice.
 - <https://neighbourhoodplanning.org/about/grant-funding/>
 - Consider a NP based on parameters/ criteria, not sites – Deputy Clerk investigating.
 - Include support of Borough-owned farms.
 - Include a request for a safe walking & cycling route on Brimble Hill/ Marlborough Rd, Wharf Road Wroughton to Waitrose/ Studley Grange & Priors Hill.

The meeting closed at 19.45

Signed.....

Date.....

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