

WROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL



Dear Councillor

14th May 2025

Members of the Committee are **summoned** to attend
a meeting of the **PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE**
to be held on **21st May 2025 at 7:30PM**
at **The Ellendune Community Centre, Barrett Way, Wroughton, SN4 9LW**

Emma Freemantle
Clerk

AGENDA

1. Apologies

To receive apologies.

2. Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation

To receive any Declarations of Interest required by the Code of Conduct adopted by the Parish Council on 1 July 2012.

3. Public Questions

To receive and respond to any questions, comments or representations from the public. Maximum 10 minutes.

4. Minutes

To approve the minutes of the meeting on 7th May 2025.

5. Updates for Noting.

None for this meeting.

PLANNING INCLUDING TPO (Tree Preservation Order) NOTICES

6. Planning Applications to be examined.

None for this meeting.

7. Planning Applications for information only

Application no: S/LDP/25/0586
Location: Three Ways, Marlborough Road, Wroughton. SN4 0RX
Proposal: Certificate of Lawfulness (proposed) for the use of land for siting of a mobile home for ancillary use.
Determination date: 07.07.25

8. To approve retrospectively the responses to Swindon Borough Council on planning applications which were agreed by email:

None.

9. Planning Decisions made by Swindon Borough Council.

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| • S/HOU/25/0288 | 36 Ellingdon Road
Wroughton | Erection of a single storey side and
rear extension | GRANT |
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| • S/LDP/25/0490 | 12 Kerrs Way
Wroughton | Certificate of lawfulness (proposed))
for the erection of rear dormer window
with loft conversion. | GRANT |
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10. Decisions by SBC for TPO Work or tree works within a conservation area (copy attached):

None for this meeting.

11. Applications to the Traffic Commissioner

To agree retrospectively, the comment agreed by email and forwarded to Swindon Borough Council, in response to the Application to the Traffic Commissioner from Nicholas John Gosling & Partners, Berkeley Farm Dairy, Swindon Road, Wroughton, Swindon, SN4 9AQ as an operating centre, to increase the authorisation to 5 vehicles and 4 trailers (from 3 vehicles and 4 trailers). Operator License Number; OH1140897 (application publication dated 1 May 2025); and to receive a verbal update on any response received.

12. Planning Updates and Information

None for this meeting.

STRATEGIC PLANNING INCLUDING SBC'S LOCAL PLAN AND WROUGHTON NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

13. Local Plan Update: None.

14. Neighbourhood Plan Updates: None.

HIGHWAYS INCLUDING FOOTPATHS

15. Public Notices: To receive copies for information.

- None for this meeting.

16. Request to resurface the B4005 Brimble Hill/ Marlborough Road, Wroughton.

To consider the response received from Swindon Borough Council's Highway Asset & Maintenance Engineer: *Thank you once again for your follow up enquiry and I apologise that it has taken a little while for me to respond fully. As mentioned, I have discussed your comments and this response with our Interim Head of Highways & Transport.*

Within the current SBC highway capital works prioritisation systems, such issues are captured from network level road condition surveys for 50m sections of road and from historical injury accident data. This, along with a number of other factors such as road hierarchy, speed and heavy vehicle usage (along with an Engineer's judgement on managing carriageway asset life and potential treatments) are used to rank each site. The risks of intermittent defects on the carriageway are managed day-to-day by our Highway Operations team with routine maintenance service levels, and so are not a specific part of the ranking system; similarly our Traffic team manage the accident data and investigations of the potential causes. For information, it is rare that road condition is noted as a factor in accident records, with the exception being wet-skidding resistance which is captured in the current ranking system.

Regarding your concern that there is no maintenance plan and the road will continue to deteriorate with no maintenance. I can advise that whilst the road is not currently within the 3-year capital programme for major works, priorities are typically reviewed every year as factors may change. In any interim period the Highway Operations team will continue to undertake routine inspection and repair in line with their current service criteria.

Finally, I cannot personally comment on the impacts of the recent developments you raise and any developer obligations/ remedials agreed as part of these developments, but from a maintenance perspective we have obviously observed the accelerated deterioration you have mentioned along the wider B4005 route, hence the significant investments that have been made recently on the B4005 Hodson Road and New Road as these sites became higher priorities due to the type of carriageway deterioration.

I hope this helps give the Parish a better understanding of the current status of the route.

17. Street Names: the Hills development site at Woodland View

To note:

- Members have already resolved to request that a road on the Hills development site at Woodland View is named after Brian Ford, and Hills have already confirmed their agreement in principle to this request.
- The Wroughton Branch of the Royal British Legion has requested that at least one road on the Hills development should also commemorate William Gosling VC.
- Swindon Borough Council makes the decision on street names.
- The suggestions agreed will be forwarded to Hills for their agreement in principle. Those supported by Hills will then be forwarded to Swindon Borough Council with a request that these be used on the Hills site.

To consider supporting the following suggestions:

- **William Gosling VC** Grove/ Road/ Close/ Way
- **Arras** Grove/ Road/ Close/ Way - the battle where his heroism occurred
- **Wessex** Grove/ Road/ Close/ Way – he was part of the 3rd Wessex Brigade
- **Highland** Grove/ Road/ Close/ Way – he was attached to the 51st Highland Division when his actions at Arras resulted in the award of his VC.

18. Highways Updates & Information:

None.

FLOODING

19. Flood Working Party

To receive the notes from the Flood Working Party meeting with Swindon Borough Council held on 12th May 2025.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES FOR 2025-26

20. To note the following projects for 2025/26, which are within the remit of this committee, were agreed to be progressed at Full Council meeting on 17th March 2025:

- **Revision of the Neighbourhood Plan:** £15,000 budget, to be considered after the consultation by SBC on their draft Local Plan. Swindon Borough Council's Local Plan s18 consultation scheduled for July 2025.
- **Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS):** £5,000 budget to purchase 1 VAS (happy/ sad face + showing actual speed) for A4361 Church Hill, on north side (downhill) just after junction of minor road to the church.
- **Public meeting regarding report by Wiltshire & Swindon Road Safety Partnership into residents' concerns on B4005 Brimble Hill/ Marlborough Road:** public meeting arranged for 7pm on 23rd May.
- **Wichelstowe Community Sports Hub:** planning applications will come to this committee for consideration. Updates on all other aspects will go to Full Council for consideration.

Members of Committee

Cllr B Keetch (Committee Chair)

Cllr D Archer

Cllr J Hewer

Cllr W McGregor

Cllr N McMahon

Cllr L Ramsay

Cllr E Shaw

Cllr H Woodward

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation), Crime and Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights