

WROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL



PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 16th April 2025 at 7:30pm at The Ellendune Community Centre, Wroughton, Swindon, SN4 9LW

- Present** Cllr D Archer
Cllr J Hewer
Cllr E Shaw
Cllr H Woodward (Vice Chair of this Committee)
- Clerk** Cathy Martyn (Deputy Clerk)
- Public** 0
- PH/260** **Apologies**
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr B Keetch, N McMahon and L Ramsay.
- PH/261** **Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**
None.
- PH/262** **Public Question Time**
There were no public questions.
- PH/263** **Minutes**
Members RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd April 2025. The Chair signed the minutes.
- PH/264** **Chairs Report – Updates for noting.**
Public meeting to discuss Wiltshire & Swindon Road Safety Partnership’s report into B4005 Brimble Hill/ Marlborough Road - Friday 23rd May at 7pm in the Ellendune Community Centre: Members NOTED that Parish Council communications directed people to the report online. Officers would make it clear that residents could request a paper copy from the Parish Council office. Paper copies were available to read in Wroughton Library. Residents had been asked to let the office know if they intended to attend, in order to ensure sufficient chairs would be available.
- S/24/0069 & S/LBC/24/0070 (REVISED APPLICATIONS) for Fairwater Stables for the erection of 2 no. dwellings (Class C3) to rear:** Members NOTED Cllr Matty Courtliff had agreed to the Committee’s request that the ward councillors call this in to be decided by Swindon Borough Council’s Planning Committee, should Planning Officers be minded to grant these applications.
- Footpaths Working Party:** Members NOTED that the request that the Footpaths Working Party report to Planning and Highways Committee would go to May’s Full Council meeting and be considered in conjunction with the Terms of Reference and Scheme of Delegation.

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Planning Applications Examination

Application number: S/HOU/25/0239

Location: 28 Boness Road, Wroughton. SN4 9DX

Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension and side porch.

Comments: Members RESOLVED to raise NO OBJECTION.

PH/266

Planning Appeal to be examined.

Appeal Ref: APP/U3935/W/25/3362322

Re: Erection of a detached dwelling and associated works

At: 25 Wharf Road, Wroughton. SN4 9LF

Comments: Members RESOLVED to make NO OBJECTIONS subject to the following being conditioned, should the appeal be allowed and planning permission be granted:

- The concerns raised previously by Richard Bell, Director of Planning at Swindon Borough Council should be addressed.
- The conditions requested by Swindon Borough Council’s Transport Development Management Technician in their memo dated 7th October 2024 should be implemented.
- The biodiversity net gain should be measured from a date prior to the bushes and trees being removed from site and should be replaced on a ‘like-for-like’ basis, before measuring a +10% gain.

PH/267

Responses to Swindon Borough Council on planning applications which were agreed by email:

Members NOTED there were NONE for this meeting.

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Planning Applications notified by Swindon Borough Council for information only:

Members NOTED there were NONE for this meeting.

PH/269

Planning Decisions.

Members NOTED the following decisions which had been made by Swindon Borough Council:

S/AGRI/25/0304

Chilton Farm Wroughton

Prior approval application for the installation of a 5 ring slurry tank with cover.

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S/HOU/25/0126

Marlborough House 35 Marlborough Rd

Erection of 2 storey rear and single storey side extension

REFUSAL

S/ADV/24/1475

Parcel 8B West Boulevard Middle Wichel District Centre

Display of various illuminated signage including 1no. ground mounted high level, totem sign, 5no wall mounted fascia signs and 1no ground mounted directional sign.

GRANT

PH/270

Decisions by SBC to allow TPO Work

Members NOTED the following decision made by Swindon Borough Council:

S/TWC/25/0154

Braeburn House The Pitches

Works to tree within conservation area. Felling and removal of dead cherry tree located in the rear garden.

NO OBJECTION

PH/271 Planning Updates and Information.

Members NOTED that Swindon Borough Council had advised verbally that due to revisions to the NPPF, it was likely that in the future, only the larger, material planning applications would be able to be called into their Planning Committee for a decision. Parish councils were awaiting more information via a formal update; no timeframe had been indicated.

PH/272 Local Plan Update

Members NOTED:

- The Regulation 18 consultation (Issues and Options) should be going to Swindon Borough Council's Cabinet meeting in July. This would be the first formal consultation stage.
- Regulation 18 of the Local Planning Regulations 2012 required Swindon Borough Council to consult on the intended scope of the Local Plan including the key issues which needed to be addressed and the options for addressing those, together with their preferred options.
- Swindon Borough Council's Local Development Scheme March 2025 set out the timetable for the preparation of planning documents:
[file:///C:/Users/Oliver%20Armstrong/Downloads/Swindon Local Development Scheme%20\(1\).pdf](file:///C:/Users/Oliver%20Armstrong/Downloads/Swindon%20Local%20Development%20Scheme%20(1).pdf)
- Swindon Borough Council had offered to hold a drop-in session for parish councils one evening beforehand (date to be advised) to respond to any general questions about the Local Plan and consultation, with the caveat that the detail could not be released to parish councils before it had been seen by Cabinet for the Cabinet meeting.

PH/273 Neighbourhood Plan Updates

Members NOTED there was no update to report this meeting.

PH/274 Speeding through Elcombe

Members RESOLVED that having considered residents' concerns about speeding through Elcombe in the light of the Department for Transport Traffic Advisory Leaflet 1/04 January 2004 (copy attached), the Deputy Clerk should email Swindon Borough Council with the following, which should also be copied to the resident who raised the original concern:
Wroughton Parish Council considers that Elcombe meets the Department for Transport criteria to be designated as a village because there are more than 20 houses fronting the road, and the road is more than 600m long, and as such Members are concerned that it does not yet have the recommended village speed limit of 30mph – please advise when this will be resolved and when the correct speed limit signs will be installed.

PH/275 Public Highways Notices for information

Members NOTED there were none for this meeting.

PH/276 Highways Updates and Information

Members NOTED there were none for this meeting.

PH/277 Flood Working Party

Members NOTED the Flood Working Party would be meeting with the Cabinet Member, Cllr Chris Watts, on Monday 12th May 2-5pm in the Ellendune Community Centre.

PH/278

Strategic Priorities agreed for 2025/26.

Members NOTED that the following projects had been agreed at the Full Council meeting held on 17th March 2025, as projects to be progressed during 2025/26:

- **Revision of the Neighbourhood Plan:** £15,000 budget, to be considered after consultation by SBC on their draft Local Plan.
- **Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS):** £5,000 budget to purchase 1no. VAS (happy/ sad face + showing actual speed) for Church Hill, on the downward side just after the turn into the church car park.
- **Public meeting regarding report by Wiltshire & Swindon Road Safety Partnership into residents' concerns on B4005 Brimble Hill/ Marlborough Road:** Please see Chair's Report at Minute 264 above for the latest information.
- **Wichelstowe Community Sports Hub:** Members NOTED that formal planning applications would come to this committee for consideration. Updates on all other aspects would go to Full Council for consideration, including an update by Cllr John Hewer on the recent visit by Wroughton Parish Council representatives to the Wiltshire Football Association site in Devizes.

The meeting closed at 20.22.

Signed

Date

Chair, Planning & Highways Committee