

A meeting of the **Planning, Highways and Transport Committee** was held on **3 March 2020** in the Council Chamber, Council offices, North Street, Ilminster, TA19 0DG commencing at 19:30hrs

Present:

Chair: Cllr A Shearman

Committee Members V Higgins, I Mackillop, R Swann, L Taylor and L Wilcock, M James, P Burton

In Attendance

Councillors:

District Councillor B Hamilton

Officers: V Woodgate (Admin Officer)

Speaker 1- District Councillor

An update was given in regard to the recruitment of new Planning Officers, it has been a difficult time but there is currently a recruitment drive for these roles.

Concerns were raised about the Balance Pound on the site opposite Winterhay Lane, Persimmons have not dredged the pound fully and so this measure will not last. There are also concerns about the bank Persimmons have raised there, which is not structurally sound, having been made with wood and therefore likely to rot over the next 12-18 months.

It was also noted that the District Councillor has been asked for an update on the Persimmons planning application, they will now speak to the Planning Officer in regard to the progress of this, with the information being relayed to the committee once obtained.

P325 Apologies for absence

No apologies for absence were received.

P326 Declarations of Interest

Councillors made Declarations of Interest as detailed in the table below:

Name	Agenda Item	Minute No	Nature of Interest	Type of Interest	Action
A Shearman	Agenda No 5a; 20/00153/HOU – August House Station Road Ilminster TA19 9BE		Knows the owner of the property	Personal	Did not speak or vote
A Shearman	Agenda No 5b; 20/000136/LBC August House Station Road Ilminster T19 9BE		Knows the owner of the property	Personal	Did not speak or vote

P327 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 4th February 2020 were considered.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 4th February 2020 be confirmed as a correct record, with 1 abstention.

P328 Police Report

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Police to report on any matter relevant to policing in Ilminster. There was no written police report nor were any items raised

P329 Planning Applications

a) 20/00153/HOU-August House Station Road Ilminster TA19 9BE

Erection of a garage/workshop to the rear of August House and part-demolition of a boundary wall (part-retrospective)

Issues discussed during the consideration of this application included:

- Objection raised by neighbour
- Grade II listed wall, however not a significant wall and has also sustained previous damage. No comment from listed Planning Officer.
- Disruption to wildlife
- The committee accepts the objectors proposals
- The location is discreet and out of the way and there is adequate space for it

RESOLVED to recommend approval

b) 20/000136/LBC-August House Station Road Ilminster T19 9BE

Partial demolition of an existing boundary wall (part-implemented)

Issues discussed during the consideration of this application included:

- Objection raised by neighbour
- Grade II listed wall, however not a significant wall and has also sustained previous damage. No comment from listed Planning Officer.
- Disruption to wildlife
- The committee accepts the objector's proposals

RESOLVED to recommend approval

c) 20/00349/HOU-1 Greenway Dowlish Ford Ilminster TA19 0PJ

Demolition of existing timber garage & workshop. Erection of an annex ancillary accommodation and installation of a sewage treatment plant.

RESOLVED to recommend approval

d) 20/00717/ADV-Plot 3 Southfields Roundabout Horton Ilminster Somerset

Display of 4No. internally illuminated fascia signs, illuminated roof letters, 1No. illuminated fence lettering, 1No. non-illuminated graphics, 3No. internally illuminated cabinets, 1No. illuminated pole sign, 1No. internally illuminated 'drive thru' totem pole, 1No. internally illuminated double poster cabinet, 1No. internally illuminated exit sign & 1No. non-illuminated banner frame

Issues discussed during the consideration of this application included:

- A previous planning application for the signs has approved before
- Signs not an issue if permission given to build the building

RESOLVED to recommend approval

P330 Street Name Decision

The notice that the new road within the development on the land to the East of Broadoak Business Park, Canal Way to be named 'Broadoak View'

RESOLVED approval of the new road within the development on the land to the East of Broadoak Business Park, Canal Way to be named 'Broadoak View'

The meeting closed at: 20:22