

A meeting of the **Planning, Highways and Transport Committee** was held on **6 June 2017** in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, North Street, Ilminster commencing at 19.30hrs

**Present:**

**Chairman:** Cllr Shearman

**Councillors** Cllr Belobaba (from 20:00hrs), Cllr Burton, Cllr Fowler, Cllr James, Cllr Keitch (from 20:04hrs) Cllr Mackillop (from 19:40hrs), Cllr Shepherd, Cllr Swann and Cllr Walker (from 20:00hrs).

**Officers in attendance:** Miss J Norris (Town Clerk) Mrs J Skinner (Admin Officer (Support))

No members of the public attended the meeting.

**P90 Apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Drayton, Fagan and Kinder.

**P91 Declarations of Interest**

No Declarations of Interest were made regarding any items listed on the Agenda at this point in the meeting, however Declarations were made as the meeting progressed and are minuted accordingly.

**P92 Minutes**

A) The minutes of the meeting held on 2 May 2017 were considered  
**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 2 May 2017 be confirmed as a correct record subject to Minute P82 being amended to read 4 April 2017 and Councillor James apologies being added to the list of Councillors unable to attend the meeting.

B) The Office Action Plan relating to the Committee was considered.  
**RESOLVED** to note the action plan.

Issues discussed during consideration of this item included:

- Add to Bus shelters that the topic and associated costs should be considered at budget time

**P93 Police Report**

There was no written police report nor were any police related matters raised.

**P94 Planning Applications And Listed Building Consents**

The Committee considered applications as detailed below:

**a) 17/01666/FUL – 29 Blackdown View, Ilminster, TA19 0AZ**

Conversion of outbuilding and erection of extension to form garage.

Issues discussed during consideration of this application included:

- No objections from consultees
- Comments from SCC highways

**RESOLVED to recommend approval**

**b) 17/01758/FUL – 42 Herne Rise, Ilminster, TA19 0HJ**

Demolish existing rear concrete steps and replace with timber decking area and steps.

**RESOLVED to recommend approval**

**c) 17/01926/FUL – 110 Herne Rise, Ilminster, TA19 0HL**

The erection of a first floor rear extension and front entrance porch to dwelling.  
Issues discussed during consideration of this application included:

- The objections received from neighbours
- The possibility of loss of light to neighbouring properties
- The extension is unlikely to result in any greater loss of privacy to neighbours
- Location of the property within the close

**RESOLVED to recommend approval**

**d) 17/01976/S73 – 50 Herne Rise, Ilminster, TA19 0HJ**

Application to vary planning condition 2 (approved plans) of approval 16/04445/FUL to amend the rear door positioning and remove external staircase.

Issues discussed during consideration of this application included:

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**RESOLVED to recommend approval subject to there being appropriate means of escape in case of fire**

NB 19:55 Cllr James declared a personal interest because he knows the applicant

**e) 17/02116/LBC – The Hermitage, 29 Station Road, Ilminster TA19 9BE**

The carrying out of external alterations by repainting external windows / doors

**RESOLVED to recommend approval**

NB 19:55 Cllr Shepherd declared a personal interest because they know the applicant

**P95 Planning Decisions made by SSDC**

The following decisions have been made by South Somerset District Council were reported for information. For more details, please see South Somerset District Council Website:

<http://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/planningsearch>

**a) 16/00840/FUL – 18 Silver Street, Ilminster, TA19 0DJ**

Change of use of building from A2 (financial and professional services) to create two retail units (class A1) on the ground floor and 4 serviced offices (class B1a) to the first floor, internal and external alterations to include replacement of windows and doors.

**Permission granted subject to conditions**

**b) 16/00841/LBC – 18 Silver Street, Ilminster, TA19 0DJ**

The carrying out of internal and external alterations to building to facilitate change of use to create retail units and serviced offices.

**Permission granted subject to conditions**

**c) 17/01072/FUL – 39 Station Road, Ilminster, TA19 9BG**

Erection of side extension to dwelling house.

**Permission granted subject to conditions**

**d) 17/01223/COU – 12-14 East Street, Ilminster, TA19 OAJ**

Change of use from an A2 (professional and financial services) use to a dual A1 (retail) / D1 (non-residential institution) use as an optician.

**Permission granted subject to conditions**

**e) 17/01274/FUL – 72 Adams Meadow, Ilminster, TA19 9DD**

Erection of conservatory.

Approved with conditions

**f) 17/01303/FUL – 52 Ditton Street, Ilminster, TA19 0BW**

Alterations and conversion of roof space to habitable accommodation to include insertion of 2 No. roof lights on east elevation and formation of dormer window on west elevation.

Approved with conditions.

**P96 Parking Issues**

A letter received about parking issues at Highfield / New Road was considered.

NB Cllrs Walker & Belobaba arrived at 20:00

Issues discussed during consideration of this agenda item included:

**Parking of a bus at Highfield**

- The issues raised are not new
- There are no official residents only parking in Ilminster
- There are often empty parking spaces
- The Town Council does not have any remit to enforce any caveats in house ownership

~~relating parking~~

NB Cllr Keitch arrived at 20:04hrs

**Parking of a School Bus at New Road**

- A school bus has stopped at this location for at least 20 years
- The buses have got bigger
- The school bus is an important service
- This type of parking issue is outside of the Town Council's remit

**RESOLVED to** send a polite letter to the complainant saying that the Town Council understands the concerns but is unable to help any further in this matter

The meeting closed at 20:06 hrs