

Minutes of the Planning, Highways and Transport Committee meeting held on
7th December 2021 at 19:30 hrs, in the **Council Chamber, Council Offices,
North Street Ilminster, TA19 0DG**

Chair: Cllr A Shearman

Committee: Cllr S Shepherd, Cllr L Taylor, Cllr I MacKillop, Cllr L Wilcock,
Cllr R Swann, Cllr M Gunn

Officers: J Earp (Deputy Town Clerk and RFO), V Freeman (Administration
Officer)

In attendance: J Taylor (Countryside Manager), Cllr B Hamilton, Cllr B Jenner-Hurford

No members of the public attended the meeting.

P489 Public Forum

The Deputy Town Clerk read out a letter from Created for Life Ltd outlining their proposal to build a new McDonalds at the Southfields Enterprise Park. The letter included information on car parking, electric charging points, bicycle parking, the route in and out, traffic management, economic and employment benefits to Ilminster, tackling litter and reducing waste.

P490 Apologies for absence

Cllr M James – Personal reasons.

P491 Declarations of Interest

None made

P492 Dispensations

There were no dispensations requested or granted.

P493 Minutes

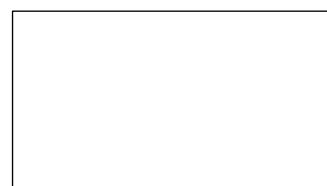
Members **RESOLVED** unanimously that the meeting held on 5th October 2021 as a correct record.

Proposer Cllr Taylor **Seconded** Cllr Wilcock

P494 Parking restrictions on West Street

Members discussed the parking restrictions on West Street. Discussions included, there are more private houses than businesses in that area now as opposed to when the original application was made in 2013. Is it something all the residents in West Street would like, and there is the potential of others parking in the spaces all day, or all weekend, and the possibility of a residents parking scheme. If there was a residents parking scheme, who would police it to ensure compliance, as parking is at a premium in Ilminster.

Members **RESOLVED** to ask the resident who sent the request to canvas the opinion of other residents and businesses in West Street to



see if they would support any changes to the parking restrictions, given that so much time has passed since the original request.

Proposer Cllr Taylor **Seconded** Cllr Swann

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Planning applications

a.21/03111/FUL – Southfields Enterprise Park – Erection of a freestanding restaurant with drive-thru facility (Class E/sui generis), car parking, landscaping and associated works, including customer order displays (COD)

Members discussed the above application, discussions included, no mention of the drain off of fat. There was concern there will be more litter. A concern that cars will exit using the way in, even though it is one way, as a short cut to re-join the A303. Concerns that traffic coming from the Honiton direction on the A303 will turn right and cross the 2 lanes of oncoming traffic as a short cut as opposed to going round the Southfields roundabout.

The traffic surveys have been done before the A358 dualling program had started on the Southfields roundabout and how that will affect those surveys.

Members **RECOMMENDED** by 5 votes for and 2 against to approve the application subject to the traffic management of the A303 being reviewed.

PROPOSER Cllr Shepherd **SECONDED** Cllr Wilcock

b.21/03295/HOU – 131 Blackdown View – Two-storey rear extension and internal alterations

Members reviewed the plans and noted other houses in the area have built rear extensions.

Members **RECOMMENDED** unanimously to approve the application.

PROPOSER Cllr Swann **SECONDED** Cllr Gunn

c.21/03312/HOU – 30 Herne Rise – Revised application for front and rear extensions with raised decking

Members reviewed the plans.

Members **RECOMMENDED** unanimously to approve the application.

PROPOSER Cllr Wilcock **SECONDED** Cllr Swann

d.21/03210/REM – 7 Greenway, Dowlish Ford – Application for approval of reserved matters following outline approval of 18/02270/OUT erection of 2 new dwellings with associated access. Appearance, landscaping, layout and scale.

Members reviewed the plans.

Members **RECOMMENDED** unanimously to approve the application.

PROPOSER Cllr Gunn **SECONDED** Cllr Shepherd

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Planning Appeals

No planning appeals were brought to the attention of the committee.



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Planning decisions made by SDC

Members noted the information that decisions were made by South Somerset District Council and are reported for information.

Meeting ended at 20.17

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