

Minutes of the **Planning, Highways and Transport Committee Meeting**
held on **10th January 2023** at **19:30** hrs in the **Council Chamber, Council Offices, North Street, Ilminster, TA19 0DG**

- Chair:** Cllr A Shearman
- Committee:** Cllr M James, Cllr I MacKillop, Cllr P Sellers, Cllr L Taylor, Cllr N Tinson, Cllr L Wilcock
- Officers** M Tredwin (Town Clerk), J Earp (Deputy Town Clerk and RFO via Teams), V Freeman (Administration Officer)
- In attendance:** 2 members of the public, Cllr Shepherd, Cllr Burton, Cllr Hamilton and Cllr Jenner-Hurford

- 22-0094-PHT** **Public Forum**
Mr Tim Adams addressed members on Agenda Item 6b.
Mr Adams objected to the planning application 22/03056/HOU.
Points raised included being visually unattractive in a conservation area, it is too close to existing buildings. No garden, clothes drying, bin space or bike store and insufficient parking. Mr Adams concluded that 19/19a West Street is unsuitable for a 2 storey dwelling.
- 22-0095-PHT** **Apologies for absence**
Cllr M Gunn – Business commitments
- 22-0096-PHT** **Declarations of interest**
There were no declarations of interest.
- 22-0097-PHT** **Dispensations**
There were no dispensations requested or granted.
- 22-0098-PHT** **Minutes**
Members **RESOLVED** by 5 votes for and 2 abstentions that the Minutes of the meeting held on 6th December 2022 as a correct record.
Proposer Cllr Shearman **Seconded** Cllr Taylor
- 22-0099-PHT** **Planning applications**
22/03147/LBC – 1 and 1A New Road – External and internal alterations to include repair of the portico and external render, replace the cement-based render and plaster with lime across the ground floor. Replace deteriorated interior joinery. To refit kitchens and bathrooms. To replace the consumer unit at the ground floor flat and to redecorate.
Members **RECOMMENDED** unanimously to support the application.
Proposer Cllr Wilcock **Seconded** Cllr Tinson.

17.50 Cllr Burton arrived for the Resources meeting.

22/03056/HOU – The Annexe 21-23 West Street – To add a second storey to the existing single storey building.

Members discussed the application and reviewed Mr Adams comments made during the public forum and the online comments. Many of the comments related to building control issues and the committee felt that as they were not experts in this field, they would like the issues raised to be reviewed and clarified by the Building Control Officer before they make a decision.

Members noted that there were no comments/remarks from the Conservation Officer.

Members **RECOMMENDED** the application was resolved to be refused based upon insufficient evidence and information that the neighbours planning concerns have been considered and addressed fully. The committee were also concerned that there was a lack of information from the Conservation Officer on this application.

Proposer Cllr Tinson **Seconded** Cllr MacKillop

22/03117/HOU – The Old Coach House 35A East Street – Installation of block wall in render, raised patio/terrace in blockwork with flagstone finish and timber fence in the raised garden to the rear of the dwelling house. Erection of timber framed pergola and two small timber sheds also in rear garden (Retrospective Application)

Amended plans have been received to alter the design/structure of timber fence in the rear garden.

Members **RECOMMENDED** unanimously to support the application subject to the Conservation Officers approval.

Proposer Cllr Taylor **Seconded** Cllr James

22/03555/TPO – Abbots Court, Court Barton – To carry out Tree Surgery Works to No. 1 Tree as shown within the South Somerset District Council (ILMI 1) 1989 Tree Preservation Order.

For your information, an application to undertake works to a protected tree or trees has been received.

Whilst this is not a consultation and does not require your observations, if you have any particular concerns or queries, please contact the case officer.

Members **NOTED** the above application.

22-0100-PHT

Planning Appeals

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

22-0101-PHT

Planning Decisions made by SSDC

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

Meeting ended at 19.57