

A meeting of the **Planning, Highways and Transport Committee** was held on **2 October 2018** in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, North Street, Ilminster commencing at 19:30hrs

Committee Present:

Chair: Cllr A Shearman

Councillors: P Burton, J Fagan, M James, I Mackillop, L Taylor and T Walker

In Attendance

Councillors: J Fowler and S Shepherd

Officers: Miss J Norris (Town Clerk)

2 members of the public attended the meeting

Speaker 1

Will the Town Council consider writing to Somerset County Council re parlous state of public transport since the demise of Nippy Bus route N10 and, when they write, would ITC bear in mind that South West Coaches have indicated they would be interested if they were able to have the subsidy previously paid to Nippy

AGENDA

P209 Apologies for absence

An apology for absence was received from Cllr Belobaba.

P210 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made by Committee members but Cllr Fowler, attending the meeting, declared a personal interest in planning application 18/02411/FUL Shaston, Winterhay Lane, Ilminster TA19 9BB as she lives in Winterhay.

P211 Minutes

a) The minutes of the meeting held on 4 September 2018 were considered.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 4 September 2018 be confirmed as a correct record.

b) The Office Action Plan relating to the Committee was considered and no issues were raised.

RESOLVED to note the report.

P212 Police Report

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Police to report on any matters relevant to policing in Ilminster. There was no written police report.

Issues discussed during consideration of this agenda item included:

- Has there been any increase in either car thefts or thefts from cars in the past month?

P213 Planning Applications

The Committee considered the following applications and agreed their comments and recommendations to be forwarded to South Somerset District Council:

- a) **18/02267/FUL Plot 3 Southfields Roundabout, Horton, Ilminster**

Erection of coffee shop with drive-thru facility, vehicular and pedestrian access, landscaping and associated works.

Issues discussed during consideration of this application included:

- Ideal place for a break
- Plot on an existing enterprise park
- Traffic egress onto a busy road

RESOLVED to recommend approval

b) 18/02085/COU Larchfield Industrial Estate, Unit 2 Greenway, Dowlish Ford, Ilminster, TA19 0PF

Change of use from B2 (General Industry) to D2 (Crossfit Studio) (Retrospective)

Issues discussed during consideration of this application included:

- The building has been used for its present purpose for many years

RESOLVED to recommend approval

c) 18/02411/FUL Shaston, Winterhay Lane, Ilminster, TA19 9BB

The erection of a single storey extension to front of dwelling.

Issues discussed during consideration of this application included:

- Discreet extension

RESOLVED to recommend approval

P214 Planning Decisions made by South Somerset District Council

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) 17/04857/FUL Factory, Winterhay Lane, Ilminster TA19 9BB

Erection of 19 No dwelling houses, car parking & relocation of public open space.
Application permitted with conditions

b) 1704802/REM Factory, Winterhay Lane, Ilminster TA19 9BB

Erection of 72 No Dwelling houses and 600 square metres of office space (Use Class B1) Reserved Matters of 13/04935/OUT
Application permitted with conditions.

c) 18/01886/FUL 36 Station Road, Ilminster TA19 9BG

The erection of a new dwelling.
Application Refused.

d) 18/969/LBC 54 High Street Ilminster TA19 9AP

Internal and external works to dwelling house.
Application permitted with conditions.

e) 18/00968/FUL 54 High Street Ilminster TA19 9AP

Internal and external works to dwelling house – Retrospective.
Application Permitted.

P215 Traffic Noise from A303

Consideration was given to the issue of traffic noise from the A303 raised by residents of Ashwell during public question time prior to the Planning, Highways and Transport Committee on 4 September 2018.

Issues discussed during consideration of this agenda item included:

- Wind direction means that there is background road noise in many parts of the town
- The speakers at the last meeting were experiencing real concerns about the noise levels
- The extent and timing of upgrades to the road are not known
- Many of the houses have been recently converted from former farm buildings

RESOLVED to write to SSDC & Highways England passing on the concerns of residents

The meeting closed at 7.55pm

Planning, Highways and Transport Committee Members:
Councillors Belobaba, Burton, Fagan, James, Mackillop, Shearman, Taylor and Walker