

## WEST SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL

### Minutes of the

### PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE on MONDAY 12 MARCH 2018 at 6.00pm at WEST SWINDON LIBRARY

#### **Present:**

Cllr Ellen Heavens (Vice Chair)  
Cllr Nigel Gibbons  
Cllr Vinay Kumar  
Cllr John Lenton  
Cllr Tim Makofu  
Cllr Nick Martin  
Cllr Keith Williams (Chair)

#### **Officers:**

Paula Harrison (Parish Manager)

#### **Public:** Three

#### Public Participation:

A resident from Westlea Resident Association referred to a query regarding Delta 800, Minerva House. The resident was advised that the Swindon Borough Council has confirmed that with this proposal and the previously consented schemes a total of 69 flats are proposed. The cycle store capacity is 70 cycles provided in regard to Swindon Borough Council's Adopted Parking Guidance.

A resident from Westlea Resident Association asked if the Parish Council had received any updates following meetings with Oxford Brookes University. The resident was advised that the Parish Council was not aware of what had been discussed or any revised parking restrictions.

A resident asked if progress had been made regarding tackling the litter problem, as promised during the elections. The resident was advised that a new litter working party had been agreed to enable the Parish Council to have a detailed focus on litter related issues.

A resident asked if there was scope to synchronise litter collection with grass cutting. The resident was advised that the speed of grass cutting is quicker than litter picking and in some cases, the routes for grass cutting do not match those for litter picking.

Cllr Keith Williams joined the meeting.

Meeting opened 6.09 pm.  
Cllr Ellen Heavens chaired the meeting.

**335. Apologies**

Cllr Tim Swinyard  
Cllr Caryl Sydney Smith

**336. Declarations Of Interest & Applications For Dispensation**

None.

**337. Mead Way Infrastructure Update**

Cllr Williams reported that funding was secured, design works ongoing. Should result in lane filters at key junctions to relieve the build up of traffic.

**338. Streetsmart Street Cleaning Team**

Ms Rachel Ind, Contracts and Strategic Planning Manager and Mr Kevin Cheesley, Team Leader attended the meeting to discuss the current Streetsmart street cleaning arrangements. Ms Ind reported that a small team of four operatives undertake a four weekly programme across residential areas in West and a daily programme which includes reactive responses. Great Western Way is undertaken once a year due to requirement of an Impact Protection Vehicle. Environmental enforcement includes an Education Officer who runs a successful programme in schools. Fixed penalty notices can be difficult to issue where there is limited evidence, however they do get issued. Previous work with community payback (Probation Service) could be revisited. Ms Ind advised that education, advice and enforcement are all key elements to tackling the problem.

**RESOLVED** that Streetsmart provide the following information:

- a) a summary performance report for the year to date
- b) street cleaning cycle of activity
- c) information relating to the use of deployable cameras

**339. Roundabout Sponsorship**

Councillors considered a report from the Parish Manager, a copy of which appears as **Appendix A** in the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Manager informs Swindon Borough Council that the Parish Council agrees to share income raised from roundabout sponsorship as proposed by Swindon Borough Council.

**340. Planters**

Councillors received a verbal update from the Parish Manager regarding the tiered planters on Wootton Bassett Road. Streetsmart had advised that these would need to be relocated as part of the changes to Wootton Bassett Road layout.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Manager liaises with Streetsmart to move planters to Whitehill Way and Freshbrook Village centre.

**341. Planning Report**

The Parish Manager submitted a Planning Report, a copy of which appears as **Appendix B** in the Minute Book.

**RESOLVED** that Planning Applications to be agreed as follows:

341.a. S/HOU/18/0239/SASM	20 Symonds Freshbrook SN5 8QL	Erection of a two storey side and single storey rear extension.  <b>DECISION: NO OBJECTION</b>
341.b. S/LDP/18/0269/TB	17 Gairlock Close Sparcells SN5 5FT	Certificate of Lawful Development (Proposed) for the erection of a single storey rear extension.  <b>DECISION: NO OBJECTION</b>
341.c. S/HOU/18/0275/LZWI	3 Orkney Close Ramleaze SN5 5SW	Erection of a front porch.  <b>DECISION: NO OBJECTION</b>
341.d. S/HOU/18/0314/FELY	26 Horseshoe Crescent Peatmoor SN5 5AJ	Erection of attached single storey garage to side and conversion of existing garage into habitable space.  <b>DECISION: NO OBJECTION</b>
341.e. S/HOU/18/0347/FELY	17 Sandacre Road Nine Elms SN5 5UU	Erection of a two storey side extension.  <b>DECISION: NO OBJECTION</b>
341.f. S/18/0290/SASM	Land Off Hillmead Drive (Plot HM3) Hillmead Drive Hillmead	Erection of 5no. industrial units (Use Classes B1(c), B2 & B8) and associated works.  <b>DECISION: NO OBJECTION</b>

**342.** Date of next meeting, Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 6.00 pm. West Swindon Library.

Meeting closed 6.55 pm.

Signed: .....  
Chair, Planning & Environment Committee

Date: .....