

WEST SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL

Planning & Environment Committee

Additional Tree Work

1. Introduction:

- 1.1 The West Swindon Parish Full Council will finalise a budget at the December 2017 or January 2018 Committees in order to set the annual parish precept.
- 1.2 The Planning and Environment Committee has a range of existing budgets associated with its responsibilities including £10,000 set aside for tree work.

2. Trees

- 2.1 The West Swindon Parish Council receives frequent requests for assistance with tree work or overgrown shrub work which is too tall for the grounds maintenance team. In many instances the council-owned shrubbery is seen as creating a nuisance and obstruction to those residents who neighbour it. Once it becomes too tall for the grounds team, it is passed to the Tree Gang. The demands on the Swindon Borough Council Tree Gang service are so high that requests are generally only met where there is danger, damage or obstruction.
- 2.2 Additional resources would enable the Grounds team to tackle work that is currently out of scope. For example, where trees have taken root in hedgerows and grown too high for ground level workers:





2.3 Additional resources could enable the teams to cover hedge reduction work more thoroughly and could support the Tree Gang to use the Parish funded resources to tackle some of the non urgent but generally beneficial tree maintenance work in West Swindon. For example the boundary of Westlea Park.

2.4 It is likely that this could be a single year's investment and would still have a big impact. Streetsmart have given estimated costs for consideration of additional staffing resources being provided for tree work specifically. These are approximate figures and would need further time to get exact machine prices but are provided to assist for the future budget setting.

2.5 Options

- **Single part designated staff** extra to the existing West team, this would include equipment and materials.

Full designated tree team. Two staff fully operational (This would however need added officer time to scope works and develop a detail works program, this would also require some consultation prior to felling). It would provide a significant amount of resource to tackle many areas of work that cannot be undertaken within the current priorities.

Two tree surgeons. Bespoke vehicle, chipper and all equipment

Officer time. to develop a full works program over a tree month period.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 Comments and budget recommendations from the Committee are noted for further consideration as part of the budget setting process.

**Paula Harrison
Parish Manager**

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Planning Applications

1. Introduction:

The West Swindon Parish Full Council is a consultee for planning applications in the West Swindon Parish

2. Planning Applications to be examined:

S/HOU/17/1872/FELY	11 Plattes Close Shaw Swindon SN5 5SA	Erection of a single storey rear extension and conversion of garage.
S/17/1879/HC	Mannington Depot Mannington Depot Service Road Mannington Swindon	Installation of a battery-based electricity storage facility together with transformer, parking area, CCTV, landscaping, security fencing with associated infrastructure and equipment.
S/HOU/17/1710	59 Chandos Close, Grange Park Swindon SN5 6AQ	Erection of a two storey front extension and installation of new windows to side.

3. Planning Decisions:

3.1 S/ADV/17/1464/RM	Unit J Bridgemead Industrial Estate Ashworth Road Bridgemead Swindon SN5 7UR	Display of various illuminated signage. GRANTED/ DEL
3.3 S/HOU/17/1692/TOOC	42 Mulcaster Avenue Grange Park Swindon SN5 6EH	Erection of single storey extensions to side and rear. GRANTED/ DEL

3.3 S/LBC/17/1540/ CHHO	Units 53 & 55 Great Western Outlet Village 1 - 144 Kemble Drive Rodbourne Swindon SN2 2DZ	Conversion of 2no. units to 1no. unit, installation of new shopfront, closing of existing shop entrances and opening of new shop entrance, internal alterations and associated works. GRANTED/ DEL
3.4 S/HOU/17/1558/FELY	57 Conisborough Toothill Swindon SN5 8ES	Erection of a two storey side extension. GRANTED/ DEL
3.5 S/HOU/17/1674/ CHHO	56 Pendennis Road Freshbrook Swindon SN5 8QH	Erection of a single storey rear extension. GRANTED/ DEL
3.6 A copy of the Decision Notice for S/17/1301/SASM is attached as Appendix A.		

4. Recommendations

4.1 Comments and observations of the West Swindon Parish Council are recorded.

Paula Harrison
Parish Manager



SWINDON
BOROUGH COUNCIL

GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

Application Number: S/17/1301/SASM

Ward: Lydiard And Freshbrook
Parish: West Swindon

Proposal: Erection of 2.4 metre high boundary fencing.

Site Address: Lydiard Park Academy , Grange Park Way Grange Park Swindon
SN5 6HN

Agent:

Applicant:

Mr Alastair Dixon-Patterson
The Park Academies Trust
Lydiard Park Academy
Grange Park Way
Grange Park
Swindon
SN5 6HN

The Local Planning Authority **HEREBY GRANT PLANNING PERMISSION** for the development proposed in the application subject to the scheduled conditions.

WARNING:
IF YOU DO NOT COMPLY WITH THE CONDITION(S) BELOW,
THE COUNCIL MAY TAKE LEGAL ACTION AGAINST YOU

Conditions

1. The development hereby permitted shall be begun before the expiration of three years from the date of this permission.

Reason: To comply with the requirements of Section 91 (1) of the Town & Country Planning Act 1990.

2. This approval shall be in respect of Site Plan at scale 1:2500, photograph of fencing along western boundary and details set out in email dated 15th September 2017 received by the Local Planning Authority 21st September 2017.

Reason: To define the scope of the development hereby permitted, in accordance with section 72 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

3. For the avoidance of any doubt the fence will be located on the perimeter of the playing field immediately adjacent to the boundaries with residential properties on Darcey Close, Bancroft Close and Bonner Close.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Beer".

Head of Planning, Regulatory Services and Heritage

Date: 16th November 2017

Notes

“The Local Planning Authority”, and “the application” referred to within this notice, are described on page 1 of this notice. The conditions have been imposed for the reasons set out within this notice.

In addition to this consent, if this permission results in amendments to or provision of new properties please contact gazetteers@swindon.gov.uk or telephone: 01793 466378 for information and advice regarding the registration of new or revised property addresses. The naming of streets and addressing of properties within the Borough, is controlled by Swindon Borough Council under the Town Improvement Clauses Act 1847. The Act is used to make sure that any new street names, building names and numbers are allocated logically and that a unique and unambiguous address is provided for every property within the Borough.

If the Applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the Local Planning Authority to grant permission for the proposed development with conditions, the applicant may appeal to the Secretary of State in accordance with section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, within 12 weeks of the date of the decision. Appeals must be made on a form that is obtainable from the Secretary of State at The Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol BS1 6PN or alternatively you may appeal online at <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/planning-inspectorate>

The Secretary of State can allow a longer period for giving notice of an appeal, but will not normally be prepared to use this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal.

The Secretary of State need not consider an appeal if it seems to the Secretary of State that the Local Planning Authority could not have granted planning permission without the conditions they imposed, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of any development order and to any directions given under a development order.

In practice, the Secretary of State does not refuse to consider appeals solely because the Local Planning Authority based their decision on a direction given by the Secretary of State.

If the permission to develop land is granted with conditions, the owner of the land may claim that the owner can neither put the land to a reasonably beneficial use in its existing state nor render the land capable of a reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted.

In these circumstances, the owner, may serve a purchase notice on the Council. This notice will require the Council to purchase the owner’s interest in the land in accordance with the provision of Chapter I of Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.