

WEST SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the

**PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
on WEDNESDAY 9 MAY 2018 at 7.00pm at WEST SWINDON LIBRARY**

Present:

Cllr Ellen Heavens (Vice Chair)
Cllr Nigel Gibbons
Cllr Tim Makofu
Cllr Nick Martin
Cllr Caryl Sydney Smith
Cllr Tim Swinyard

Cllr Mary Martin also attending.

Officers:

Paula Harrison (Parish Manager)

Public: One.

Public Participation:

Resident asked for an update on pavement parking enforcement.
Resident advised that progress with Swindon Borough Council to work with Parishes to take on enforcement activities was underway.

Meeting opened 7.08 pm.
Cllr Tim Swinyard chaired the meeting.

394. Apologies

Cllr Keith Williams
Cllr Vinay Kumar
Cllr John Lenton

395. Declarations Of Interest & Applications For Dispensation

Cllr Makofu declared that application ref: 361.8 in the Planning & Environment Committee minutes was known to him.

Cllr Walker declared that he had a personal interest in Romany and Traveller issues as a member of the Romany and Traveller History Group, (Agenda Item 8).

396. Mead Way Infrastructure Update

Standing Agenda item -No information to report.

397. Purton Proposed Traffic Regulation Orders (Ridgeway Farm/Washpool/Purton Rd

Councillors noted the consultation received on proposed traffic regulation orders.

RESOLVED that any comments to be given to the Parish Manager by 21.05.18.

398. Hay Lane Parking

The Parish Manager gave a verbal update on complaints received relating to the volume and frequency of cars parking along Hay Lane creating issues for visibility and manoeuvring through the traffic calming.

RESOLVED that the Parish Council writes to Jim Catton at Swindon Borough Council to highlight residents concerns and promote considering the introduction of a drop off zone.

399. Planning Applications - Pilgrim Close S/18/0461 & Sparcells Drive S/18/0460

Councillors considered a verbal report from the Parish Manager noting the Parish Council responses to the applications to date.

RESOLVED that the Parish Manager writes to the Principal Planner to request that both applications are called in to Planning Committee.

400. Planning Report

The Parish Manager submitted a planning report outlining planning applications in West Swindon, a copy of which appears as **Appendix A** in the Minute Book. Councillors agreed the following:

400.1. S/HOU/18/0643	27 Meares Drive, Shaw SN5 5RJ	Erection of a single storey rear extension. NO OBJECTION.
400.2 S/ADV/18/0620	Bus Shelter, Corton Crescent Westlea	Display of double sided digital advertising panel on bus shelter. NO OBJECTION.
400.3 S/HOU/18/0646	1 Barkstead Close, Freshbrook SN5 8NB	Erection of a single storey side and rear extension. NO OBJECTION.
400.4 S/HOU/18/0690	45 Lineacre Close, Grange Park Swindon SN5 6DB	Conversion of garage into habitable space/ storage & erection of single storey rear extension. NO OBJECTION.

401. Consultation on Unauthorised Development and Encampments

Councillors considered the NALC consultation on powers for dealing with unauthorised developments and encampments. Councillors noted public frustration at the negative impact of illegal encampments on the local environment and related costs associated with this. Councillor Walker highlighted concern about the focus of the consultation on enforcement rather than seeking to address options for permitted encampments.

7.37 pm. Cllr Nick Martin left the meeting.

RESOLVED that the Parish Manager to draft a reply to the consultation for circulation and comment by members of this committee.

Meeting closed 7.44 pm.

Signed:
Chair, Planning & Environment Committee

Date:

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