

**WEST SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the  
**PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**  
on **MONDAY 13 NOVEMBER 2017** 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 Caryl Sydney Smith  
Cllr Tim Swinyard

Cllr Ellen Heavens chaired the meeting.

**Officers:**

Paula Harrison (Parish Manager)

**Public:** One

**Public Participation:**

A resident asked if the Parish Council was minded to consider wildflower planting. An area like Shaw Ridge would lend itself very well to being managed as a wildflower meadow and it is likely that FAB Swindon would be willing to give assistance. It would also reduce grass cutting. The Chair confirmed that this was a project being discussed by the Leisure and Amenities Committee.

**Meeting opened 6.05 pm.**

**193. Apologies**

Cllr Keith Williams (Chair

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

Cllr Tim Swinyard declared an interest in Unit 12 Bridgemead as a Trustee of Dressability and took no part in the discussion thereof.

**195. Local Plan/Joint Spatial Framework**

The Parish Manager reported that the consultation on the Local Plan and Joint Spatial Framework was open until 19<sup>th</sup> December 2017. Details of briefings and links to the documents had been circulated by email to all Councillors. The Chair confirmed that this had also been communicated to the Swindon Area Committee of the Wiltshire Association of Local Councils.

**RESOLVED** that a summary report to be provided at the next meeting of this Committee

**196. 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:

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| <b>196.1</b> 17/1795/RM<br>Land Adjacent To Mary Haven<br>Old Shaw Lane<br>SN5 5PJ           | Non-material amendment to previous permission S/16/2142 for the erection of 1no. dwelling and detached garage.<br><br><b>No objection.</b>      |
| <b>196.2</b> S/HOU/17/1832/CHHO<br>25 Plattes Close<br>Shaw<br>SN5 5SA                       | Erection of a first floor side extension.<br><br><b>No objection.</b>   |
| <b>196.3</b> S/HOU/17/1846<br>12 Cabot Drive, Grange Park<br>SN5 6HG                         | Erection of a two storey side and rear extension<br><br><b>No objection.</b>  |
| <b>196.4</b> S/17/1748<br>Unit 21, Bridgemead Close<br>Westmead Industrial Estate<br>SN5 7ED | Change of use from Class B2 (General Industrial) Class A1 (Retail) and Class D1 for a sewing school within the shop<br><br><b>No objection.</b> |
| <b>196.5</b> S/HOU/17/1832<br>25 Plattes Close, Shaw<br>SN5 5SA                              | Erection of a first floor side extension<br><br><b>No objection.</b>  |
| <b>196.6</b> S/HOU/17/1692<br>42 Mulcaster Avenue,<br>Grange Park SN5 6EH                    | Erection of single storey extensions to side and rear.<br><br><b>No objection.</b>  |

**197. Planning Committee Budget & Projects 2018/19**

The Parish Manager circulated a Budget Report a copy of which is attached as **Appendix B** in the Minute Book. The Parish Manager reported that progress was underway to formulate the budget for 2018/2019. A key area of complaint and requests for service to the Parish Council to date, has been requests for assistance with tree work or tall hedgerows now classed as tree work. Detail of different options to enhance the current provision were set out in the Budget Report.

**RESOLVED** that the Parish Manager provides more detail on the range of work that

could be undertaken with an enhanced service to the meeting of this Committee.

Meeting closed 6.40 pm.

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

Date: .....