



LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Tuesday 16th June 2020

To: All Members of the Planning & Highways Committee:
Councillors Rosser (Chair), Williams (Vice-Chair), Herschy, Parris, Preece,
Rumsey and Thomas.
(Copies to other Councillors for information)

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee to be held on **Monday 22nd June 2020 commencing at 19:00 hours** via 'Zoom' on the following dedicated link:

Meeting ID: 856 5396 7278

Press and public are cordially invited to attend. Those wishing to join the meeting should contact the clerk on townclerk@leominstertowncouncil.gov.uk in advance for the meeting password.

Julie Debbage
TOWN CLERK

AGENDA

- 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**
Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record be kept of the members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Town Clerk as it is usual for the grounds upon which apologies are tendered also to be recorded. Under Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972, members present must decide whether the reason(s) for a member's absence are acceptable.
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Under the Localism Act 2011 (sections 26-37 and Schedule 4), and in accordance with the Council's Code of Conduct, members are required to declare any interests which are not currently entered in the member's register of interests or if he/she has not notified the Monitoring Officer of it.
- 3. HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL MEMBERS**
To consider resolving that the participation of those Town Councillors who are also members of Herefordshire Council in both the debate and any subsequent vote on matters contained in this agenda is on the basis that the views expressed are preliminary views taking account of the information currently available to the Town Council and that County



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Councillors reserve their final views on all applications until they are in full possession of all relevant information both for and against.

4. REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

To consider requests for dispensations (must be notified in writing).

5. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC (maximum 15 minutes)

To receive questions and statements from members of the public as provided for in Standing Orders.

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

To receive and approve as a correct record the minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on 1st June 2020.

7. PLANNING

(a) Planning applications – The following applications have been received from the Planning Authority and require comment:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	Planning Consultation - 201564 - South View, 3 Stretfordbury, Stoke Prior, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 0LP
DESCRIPTION:	Proposed two storey extension.
APPLICANT(S):	Mr & Mrs Graham
GRID REF:	OS 352791, 257906
APPLICATION TYPE:	Full Householder
WEBSITE LINK:	http://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/searchplanningapplications

(b) Section 106 allocation – To discuss the allocation of s106 funding.

8. DECISIONS

The following planning decisions had been received from Herefordshire Council.

Leominster North & Rural

Number: P200480/FH

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Approved with Conditions - Appeal decision

Type: Full Householder

Location: 4 Sunningdale Bridge Street Leominster Herefordshire HR6 8EH

Proposal: Proposed two storey (East) side extension and two storey rear extension

Comment: Objection



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Leominster West

Number: P200760/F

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Approved with Conditions - Appeal decision

Type: Planning Permission

Location: Stag Batch House Monkland Road Leominster Herefordshire HR6 9DA

Proposal: Erection of a straw storage shed and roofing over cattle handling area

Comment: No Comment

Leominster East

Number: P200523/F

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Approved with Conditions - Appeal decision

Type: Planning Permission

Location: Alexander And Duncan Southern Avenue Leominster Herefordshire HR6 0QB

Proposal: Proposed replacement building.

Comment: No Objection – Please bear in mind the close proximity of St. Botolphs housing estate when carrying out work

Leominster South

Number: P200725/A

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Approved with Conditions - Appeal decision

Type: Advertisement Consent

Location: Morrisons Supermarket Leominster Herefordshire HR6 8RH

Proposal: Proposed installation of 4 no. internally illuminated fascia adverts to proposed 'Click and Collect' facility.

Comment: No Objection

Leominster South

Number: P200852/K

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Trees in Cons Area Works Can Proceed - Appeal decision

Type: Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

Location: Hillcrest 143 Bargates Leominster Herefordshire HR6 8QS

Proposal: Reduce 3 leylandii trees by 50%.

Comment: No Objection

Leominster North & Rural

Number: P201424/K

Current status: Determination Made

Decision: Trees in Cons Area Works Can Proceed Appeal decision

Type: Works to Trees in a Conservation Area

Location: 110 Bridge Street Leominster HR6 8DZ



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Proposal: Pollard two ash trees, due to over shading of two gardens and trees too big for gardens.

Comment: No Objection

9. HIGHWAYS AND PARKING MATTERS

- (a) **Highway & Parking Matters** – To consider any parking and highway issues relating to the Parish of Leominster.
- (b) **Speeding Incidents** – To receive an update from the clerk regarding the Safer Roads Partnership.
- (c) **Cycling and Walking COVID-19 response** – To receive an update on the consultation by Herefordshire Council.

10. LICENCING MATTERS

No licencing applications have been received to consider.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 13th July 2020 at 7pm either via Zoom or dependent on social distancing restrictions being lifted, in the Council Offices, 11 Corn Square, Leominster, HR6 8YP commencing at 7:00pm.

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Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on Monday 1st June 2020 commencing at 19:00 hours remotely via Zoom.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillors Rosser (Chair), Williams (Vice-Chair), Herschy, Parris, Preece, Rumsey and Thomas.

ALSO PRESENT: Ward Cllrs Bartlett and Marsh and two members of the public.

OFFICER PRESENT: Town Clerk.

PH13/20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from the Safer Neighbourhood Team.

PH14/20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Declarations of Interest were made:

- Cllr Herschy -Trustee of LARC ref. Planning item 500989

PH15/20 HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Herefordshire Council members were in attendance in an advisory role and were not involved in any decision making.

PH16/20 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

No requests for dispensation had been received.

PH17/20 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A member of the public raised the issue of vehicles speeding on Hereford Road. Whilst working from home recently he had noticed that it had become a frequent occurrence and asked if any traffic calming had been considered for the road. The Chair asked Cllr. Marsh if she would like to respond and she informed the member of the public that a request had been sent to the local authority and monitoring had been carried out. The results of the monitoring indicated that heavy traffic calming measures would be required in order to ensure that traffic regulations were respected. At the time of the enquiry there was no funding available for implementing measures and a Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) would be required. The request for a TRO was added to the Herefordshire Council list. Recently Herefordshire Council passed a motion to reduce speed limits to 20mph in residential areas, which would be easier to enforce at a county level.

A second member of the public read out a letter regarding application 201466 that outlined the reason for the application to build a rural enterprise worker's dwelling.

PH18/20 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on 4th May 2020 be agreed and will be signed as a correct record when social distancing restrictions are lifted.

PH19/20 PLANNING

(a) **Planning applications** – It was **RESOLVED** to submit the following comments to Herefordshire Council:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	Planning Consultation - 200523 - Alexander And Duncan, Southern Avenue, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0QB
DESCRIPTION:	Proposed replacement building.
COMMENT:	No Objection
APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	Planning Consultation - 200642 - 31 Bridge Street, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 8DU
DESCRIPTION:	Proposed loading bay attached to the existing building
COMMENT:	No Objection
APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	Planning Consultation - 201424 - 110 Bridge Street, Leominster, HR6 8DZ
DESCRIPTION:	Pollard two ash trees, due to over shading of two gardens and trees too big for gardens.
COMMENT:	No Objection
APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	Planning Consultation - 200852 - Hillcrest, 143 Bargates, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 8QS
DESCRIPTION:	Reduce 3 leylandii trees by 50%.
COMMENT:	No Objection
APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS:	Planning Consultation - 201468 - Grange Court, The Grange, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 8NL
DESCRIPTION:	T1 - Austrian Pine tree to remove any hazardous dead or hanging snapped out branches. Crown thin by 20-30% removing branches no larger than

COMMENT: 80mm, to reduce weight loading and lessen wind resistance.
No Objection

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 201411 - 16 South Street, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 8JB

DESCRIPTION: Change of use from shop area to two bed apartment and workshop to two bed house involving minor alterations to interior and replacement of windows and doors to the rear.

COMMENT: Objection – Overdevelopment.

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 201412 - 16 South Street, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 8JB

DESCRIPTION: Change of use from shop area to two bed apartment and workshop to two bed house involving minor alterations to interior and replacement of windows and doors to the rear.

COMMENT: Objection – Overdevelopment of a listed building

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 201466 - Land at Stag Batch House, Monkland Road, Stag Batch, Herefordshire.

DESCRIPTION: Proposed site for erection of a rural enterprise worker's dwelling

COMMENT: No Objection

PH20/20 DECISIONS

The following planning decisions received from Herefordshire Council were noted. These were presented at the meeting:

Leominster West

Number: P200099/FH

Current status: Determination Made

Type: Full Householder

Location: 70b Bargates Leominster Herefordshire HR6 8QS

Proposal: Proposed conversion of garage to bedroom and single storey extension.

Comment: No Objection

Decision: Approved with Conditions

Leominster East

Number: P201258/PA7

Current status: Determination Made

Type: All others - Prior Approval

Location: Land West of Widgeon Hill Leominster Herefordshire

Proposal: notification of agricultural development - excavation/waste material - pond extension to hold flood water.

Comment: No Comment

Decision: Prior Approval Not Required

PH21/20 HIGHWAYS AND PARKING MATTERS

(a) Highway and Parking Matters

- Leominster Public Realm – Cllr. Preece expressed concerns regarding the poor state of the public realm in the town and highlighted that the works being carried out on A49 from Ashton to OK Diner shouldn't be prioritised over the town roads. The clerk confirmed that A49 was the responsibility of Highways England and not Herefordshire Council. Cllr. Bartlett stated that it was a countywide issue and that post COVID-19 Leominster's Heritage Action Zone Scheme should progress, addressing some of the required public realm works.
- Highway Utility Covers – Cllr. Thomas had spoken to the Balfour Beatty Locality Steward regarding the defective utility covers on Barons Cross Road that had been causing a noise nuisance. Balfour Beatty would be resetting the covers, but to comply with current social distancing regulations as a response to COVID-19, their staff would be required to travel to site in separate vehicles, causing a delay to the works schedule. It was requested that the clerk invite Cllr. John Harrington, Cabinet Member - Infrastructure and Transport, to the next meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee.

(b) Speeding Incidents

- This was discussed during the public questions section of the meeting but it was proposed by Cllr. Rosser and seconded by Cllr. Preece and voted unanimously that the Town Council should support the move by Herefordshire Council to impose 20mph limit in residential areas. It was also suggested that the clerk should contact the Safer Roads Partnership regarding speed monitoring.

(c) Cycling and Walking COVID-19 response

- On 9th May 2020 a new £2billion package was announced by central government to deliver alternative ways to travel, such as walking and cycling. This will allow councils to reallocate road space for increased numbers of walkers and cyclists and enable social distancing before the relaxing of regulations takes full effect. This would mean using cones and barriers to widen footways eg. Near to schools, reducing speed limits and introducing pedestrian and cycle zones by restricting access for motor vehicles at certain times. This would require Temporary Traffic Regulation Orders and the local authority would have to consider access for Blue Badge holders, deliveries and other essential services and they would have to consult with police, emergency services and local businesses. Cllr. Thomas said that he had already spoken to several businesses regarding the matter and had received a positive response. Following discussion, it was agreed that any measure

would have to be disability compliant and that the local businesses would have to be involved in the consultation process. It was proposed by Cllr. Preece and seconded by Cllr. Rosser and unanimously agreed that Leominster should be added to the list for review and a briefing from Herefordshire Council should be organised to find out more detail and discuss consultation with local businesses.

PH22/20 LICENCING MATTERS

No licencing applications had been received to consider.

PH23/20 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday 22nd June 2020 commencing at 7:00pm either remotely via Zoom or in the Council Offices, 11 Corn Square, Leominster, HR6 8YP depending on the lifting of social distancing restrictions by central government.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 20.28 hours.

CHAIR:

DATE: