

# LEOMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

## PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018 commencing at 19:00 hours in the Council Offices, 11 Corn Square, Leominster HR6 8YP.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Councillors Rosser (Chair), Rumsey, Thomas and Williams

**OFFICER PRESENT:** Town Clerk.

**PH86/18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Bartlett (Mayoral Engagement), Davies (Illness), Herschy (personal) and Preece (work). Cllr Egan was absent.

**PH87/18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

The following declaration of interest was made:

- Cllr Rosser – Morrisons employee: P183214

**PH88/18 HEREFORDSHIRE COUNCIL MEMBERS**

There were no Herefordshire Council members present.

**PH89/18 REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS**

No requests for dispensations had been received.

**PH90/18 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no members of the public present.

**PH91/18 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2018 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

**PH92/18 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

**APPLICATION:** P183214

**SITE:** Land adjacent to Petrol Filling Station, Morrisons, Safeway Service Road, Leominster HR6 8RH

**DESCRIPTION:** Advertising Consent: Installation of a freestanding 7.5m double sided shared tote.

**COMMENT:** Committee considered that the submission of this application was premature. It was therefore recommended that the application should be deferred

until a decision had been made regarding application P181448

**APPLICATION:** P183221  
**SITE:** Norfolk House, 46 Etnam Street, Leominster  
**DESCRIPTION:** Convert former internal toilet block to form one new dwelling. Provision of six external mobility scooter stores with charging facilities.  
**COMMENT:** No objection.

**APPLICATION:** P183565  
**SITE:** 23 Merwald Close, Leominster HR6 8FA  
**DESCRIPTION:** Fall to ground level, cherry tree on front garden of 23 Merwald Close. Tree roots are growing back towards bungalow and the cherry fruit is becoming a problem for Mrs Vickress and her dog, who is eating the fallen cherries, which are also becoming a hazard for Mrs Vickress as she is an OAP. She plans to plant an ornamental tree in garden instead.  
**COMMENT:** Recommend that the cherry tree be cut back and pruned. but not removed as proposed.

**APPLICATION:** P183601  
**SITE:** The White House, 94 Bridge Street, Leominster HR6 8DZ  
**DESCRIPTION:** Non-material amendment ref 172634/FH (The removal of side extension to the north and construction of a two storey replacement. The removal of rear extension and replacement with a two storey and single storey flat roof extension. Change of colour to UPV windows and doors from oak effect to anthracite grey  
**COMMENT:** No objection.

**(b) Home Notification – Prior Approval**

**APPLICATION:** P183475  
**SITE:** 446 Buckfield Road, Leominster HR6 8SD  
**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed conservatory which will extend beyond the rear wall of the dwelling house by 3.0 metres. The maximum height of the enlarged part of the dwelling house is 3.8 metres and the height of the eaves of the enlarged part of the dwelling house is 2.2 metres.  
**COMMENT:** Noted.

**PH93/18 DECISIONS**

Committee noted the following planning decisions made by Herefordshire Council:

**APPLICATION:** P174229  
**SITE:** The Cottage, Newtown Lane, Newtown Leominster HR6 8QD

**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed extension and alterations to existing dwelling.

**COMMENT:** No objection.

**DECISION** Approved with conditions.

**APPLICATION:** P181386

**SITE:** Firtree Cottage, Ginhall Lane, Leominster HR6 9AQ

**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed garage extension.

**COMMENT:** No objection provided the garage extension is utilised exclusively for domestic purposes and that no business activity is undertaken on site.

**DECISION** Approved with conditions.

**APPLICATION:** P182409

**SITE:** Land behind 67 Bargates, Leominster

**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed bungalow.

**COMMENT:** Recommend refusal for the following reasons:

- The proposal would adversely impact on the current traffic and highway issues being experienced in this area;
- There are concerns that the proposed access is inadequate for an additional dwelling;
- Parking provision is inadequate in an area which already suffers from a lack of parking provision;
- The proposal goes against the requirements of Policy LANP19 – New Building in Leominster as the design is inappropriate to the local context;
- The proposal is over-development of the site;
- The proposal will result in the loss of the garden amenity of the existing dwelling and is in essence backland development.

**DECISION** Refused.

## **PH94/18 HIGHWAYS AND PARKING MATTERS**

- (a) **Review of the speed limits on the B4360 and the C1037 in Cobnash –** Committee noted the Briefing Note received and agreed to support the recommendation to extend the existing 30 mph speed limit on the B4360 further south on the B4360 and reduce the National Speed Limit to 40 mph on the B4360 and the C1037.
- (b) **Highway Maintenance response –** Following consideration, Committee **RESOLVED** to submit the response as presented.
- (c) **The Hum –** No further update had been received.
- (d) **Highway & Parking Matters –** Committee noted the update on the delay regarding the implementation of requested resident parking zones.

**PH95/18 LICENCING MATTERS**

Committee noted that the licence application for Corn Square submitted by Leominster Town Council was now being considered.

**PH96/18 LEOMINSTER AREA NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Committee noted that an updated open spaces map had been submitted to the Examiner. It was understood that the Examiner now had all the information to undertake the examination on the Plan and submit a report. It was noted that the referendum must be completed by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 otherwise it would be delayed until after the elections on 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019 due to purdah restrictions,

**PH97/18 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Committee noted that the next meeting would be held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at 19:00hrs in the Council Offices, 11 Corn Square, Leominster, HR6 8YP.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 7:21pm.

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**CHAIR:**

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**DATE:**