



Minutes of the **Planning and Environment Committee** meeting held on **Tuesday 3 December** at 7 pm in the Committee Room, Wimborne Minster Town Hall, 37 West Borough, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 1LT.

Present:

Councillors: S Bartlett, J Hart, L. Hector, B Jaggs, R Nash, B Richmond (Vice Chairman), A Roberts, C Ryan, and S Wheeler (Chairman)

Officers: KR Brooks (Deputy Town Clerk)

Members of the public: six members of the public, including (A Wakeling representing the Wimborne Civic Society and N Harper Wimborne Minster Town Council Tree Representative)

PEC/2024/062 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillor Brown (non-business). Councillor Hector proposed to approve apologies, seconded by Councillor Hart, all in favour. **Resolved**

PEC/2024/063 Declarations of interest and dispensations

Councillor Bartlett declared a non-pecuniary interest (Dorset Council Ward Councillor) and did not vote in relation to minute reference PEC/2024/066.

PEC/2024/064 Public participation

It was agreed to discuss correspondence from four members of the public (residents in Birchdale Road). A member of the public inquired about updates from the Town Council regarding the green spaces around Birchdale Road and the ongoing development plans for the area. Councillor Wheeler stated the Town Council was actively liaising with Dorset Council on the matter. Following further discussion, Councillor Wheeler proposed to recommend to Full Council that Wimborne Minster Town Council apply to the Land Registry to register the green/amenity spaces around Birchdale, seconded by Councillor Richmond, all in favour. **Resolved.** The four members of the public were thanked for attending and left the meeting.

PEC/2024/065 Minutes of the Committee meeting on 5 November 2024

The minutes were discussed and an amendment agreed. Councillor Richmond proposed the amended minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on the 5 November 2024 be agreed as a true and accurate record of proceedings and signed by the Chairman, seconded by Councillor Nash, all in favour. **Resolved**

PEC/2024/066 Planning applications for consideration

- (i) P/TRT/2024/06661 - 22 Wesley Road, T1 cypress fell to ground level. Councillor Hector proposed to object because of the biodiversity supported by this mature tree, instead a management plan be implemented instead of felling, and the tree was situated within a

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Tree Preservation Order (TPO) area. Seconded by Councillor Wheeler, all in favour.

Resolved

- (ii) P/FUL/2024/06674 - The Rectory 17 King Street, demolition of existing single storey attached garage, erection of detached single garage, subdivision of plot and erection of new two storey 4-bedroom dwelling. Councillor Hector proposed no objection and requested a construction management plan, seconded by Councillor Ryan, all in favour.

Resolved

- (iii) P/HOU/2024/06382 - 15 Brookside Road, erection of a single storey front, rear and side extension with internal remodelling, convert garage to create an ancillary use annexe. Councillor Hector proposed no objection, seconded by Councillor Hart, six in favour, two abstentions. **Resolved**

- (iv) P/TRT/2024/06864 - 11A Rowlands Hill. T1 Holly and T2 Oak both dismantle to ground level. Councillor Wheeler proposed to object because insufficient detail had been provided in the application to justify its removal, that Dorset Council's Tree and Woodland Strategy emphasised the importance of preserving trees due to their significant environmental, aesthetic, and ecological value and according to this strategy, trees in urban and rural areas provided essential habitats, contributed to biodiversity, and improved air quality, all of which were vital to the local community and environment. Seconded by Councillor Hart, all in favour. **Resolved**

PEC/2024/067 Application responses submitted between meetings

The Committee noted the following retrospective no objection responses: P/FUL/2024/05323, P/FUL/2024/05633, P/TRC/2024/06462, P/HOU/2024/05891 and P/HOU/2024/06405

The Committee noted the following objection responses: P/TRT/2024/06207 and P/TRC/2024/06351. No final comment had been received for P/TRT/2024/05955.

PEC/2024/068 Applications for information only

The application P/NMA/2024/06821, 85 Hardy Crescent Wimborne Minster BH21 2AR, was noted for information purposes only.

PEC/2024/069 Tree Survey of Wimborne Minster Council trees

The Deputy Town Clerk provided the Committee with an update on the recent tree survey conducted on Town Council land. The Committee discussed the importance of preserving older trees due to their ecological value as habitats, as well as the challenges associated with replacing them when necessary. Councillor Wheeler proposed a walk around to verify the report and plan the next steps, seconded by Councillor Richmond, all in favour. **Resolved**

PEC/2024/070 Dorset Council Street Trading Policy Consultation

It was agreed the Deputy Town Clerk would upload the survey to the Council's SharePoint, and Councillor Wheeler would take responsibility for completion.

PEC/2024/071 To consider further traffic speed/volume surveys on Julians Road

Councillor Wheeler raised the request from the Joint Working Group for traffic surveys on Julian's Road and the Committee's ongoing concerns regarding heavy / speeding traffic on Cranborne Road, Councillor Wheeler proposed the Deputy Town Clerk was authorised to apply to Dorset Council for traffic volume surveys on these roads, seconded by Councillor Richmond, all in favour. **Resolved**

PEC/2024/072 Update in relation to actions from previous meetings

The Deputy Town Clerk updated the Committee on the 20-mph scheme at Burt's Hill, noting the public consultation was ongoing, and the results were expected shortly.

PEC/2024/073 Correspondence

- (i) The correspondence regarding the recent installation of the new 5G mast on Hannam Road was noted.
- (ii) The Committee noted the update from Wimborne Model Town regarding a new exhibit, Councillor Nash proposed a letter of support was sent to Wimborne Model Town, seconded by Councillor Richmond, all in favour. **Resolved.**
- (iii) The Committee discussed correspondence from a resident requesting traffic calming measures on the Rodway near the Quarter Jack Surgery. After deliberation, the Committee concluded implementing traffic calming on this arterial road would negatively impact traffic flow. Councillor Bartlett mentioned a traffic modelling program conducted in the 1990s and suggested the value of an updated study to better understand current traffic patterns in the town. Councillor Wheeler proposed the Deputy Town Clerk engage with Dorset Council to request the initiation of a new traffic modelling program and report back to the Committee, seconded by Councillor Hart, all in favour. **Resolved**

PEC/2024/074 Next meeting and close of meeting

The next Committee meeting (7 January 2025) was noted, and the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

Signature of Chairman: 

Date: 7/1/2025

