



Minutes of the **Planning and Environment Committee** meeting held on **Tuesday 7 January 2025** at 7 pm in the Committee Room, Wimborne Minster Town Hall, 37 West Borough, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 1LT.

Present:

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

Officers: KR Brooks (Deputy Town Clerk) L Harrison (Town Clerk)

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

PEC/2024/075 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/2024/076 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/2024/079.

PEC/2024/077 Public participation

It was agreed to move item 11 (i) (Birchdale Road) to the next item of business to accommodate the five residents of Birchdale Road. A resident confirmed they were independently seeking town/parish green status for a piece of amenity land and Councillor Wheeler requested the residents re-contact the Town Council if they needed support with this project. The five members of the public were thanked for attending and left the meeting.

PEC/2024/078 Minutes of the Committee meeting on 3 December 2024

Councillor Hector proposed the minutes for the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on the 3 December 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/2024/079 Planning applications for consideration

P/TRC/2024/07545, 38 Park Lane, T1 Ash: reduce back to old points, T2 Ash: re-pollard new shoots back to old points, T3 Sycamore: fell to grounds level, T4 Sycamore: re-pollard new shoots back to old points, T5 Sycamore: reduce back to old points. Councillor Richmond proposed no objection provided Dorset Council tree officers were content with the works, seconded by Councillor Hector, eight in favour. **Resolved**

PEC/2024/080 Application responses submitted between meetings

The Committee noted the retrospective response to P/FUL/2024/00785 (objection).

PEC/2024/081 Applications for information only

The application P/CLP/2024/07340, 38 Lacy Drive Wimborne Minster BH21 1DG, was noted for information purposes only.

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Chairman initials:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "M. Wheeler", written over the "Chairman initials:" text.

PEC/2024/082 Proposed Temporary Closures B3078 Cranborne Road, Mill Lane and Grove Road.

The Committee noted the road closures.

PEC/2024/083 Wimborne Neighbourhood Plan

Councillor Wheeler provided the Committee with an update on the Council's proposal to create a Neighbourhood Plan, outlining the numerous benefits it would bring to the town and its residents. A discussion followed on the most effective way to facilitate the plan's development. The Town Clerk presented three quotes from specialist companies to assist in the creation of the plan. Councillor Hector proposed to recommend quote one to Full Council, seconded by Councillor Wheeler, eight in favour, one abstention. **Resolved**

PEC/2024/084 Safer Streets in Wimborne

The Deputy Town Clerk updated the Committee on a recent online presentation by the group "20's Plenty for Dorset." Several councillors had also attended the session and Councillor Richmond provided feedback on the group's policy advocating for bringing Dorset in line with the rest of the UK regarding 20mph speed limits. This was noted by the Committee.

PEC/2024/085 Update in relation to actions from previous meetings

The Deputy Town Clerk informed the Committee that Dorset Council were to carry out a site visit at Cranborne Chase and other areas and further details would be shared once confirmed (see previous minute PEC/2024/051).

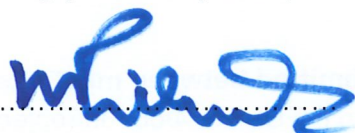
PEC/2024/086 Correspondence

- (i) The Committee reviewed correspondence from a resident requesting the placement of yellow lines in Lewens Close. The Committee requested the Deputy Town Clerk obtain additional information from the resident including any access issues for emergency and Dorset Council utility vehicles.
- (ii) Councillor Wheeler raised concerns about dangerous parking on St John's Hill, Wimborne, particularly regarding the lack of enforcement against vehicles parking on yellow lines. The Committee requested the Deputy Town Clerk contact Dorset Council for an update on the enforcement situation and report back.
- (iii) The Committee noted the correspondence from Colehill Parish Council regarding opposing the 20mph scheme on Burts Hill. The Committee requested the Deputy Town Clerk obtain an update from Dorset Council on this scheme and report back.
- (iv) The correspondence regarding Dorset Council Tree Strategy and opportunities to increase tree cover in the town from Nicola Harper were noted. It was agreed to carry out enquiries with the local county association and report back.

PEC/2024/087 Next meeting and close of meeting

The next Committee meeting (4 February 2025) were noted, and the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm.

Signature of Chairman:



Date:

4th Feb 25.