

**LEDBURY TOWN COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**HELD ON THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER, 2017**

**IN THE TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES, LEDBURY**

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**PRESENT:** Councillors: A Crowe (Chairman)  
R Barnes                      A R Bradford  
M Eakin                        M Eager  
E Fieldhouse                N Morris  
J Simpson                     J Roberts  
A Warmington                H Wilce

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs K Mitchell - Clerk to the Council  
Cllr J Hopkins

**P.132 - 11.17 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Cllrs K Francis and A Manns.

**P.133 - 11.17 INTERESTS**

Cllr Wilce declared an Disclosable Pecuniary Interest in planning Application 173412, as the land owner, and signed the Interest book accordingly.

Cllr Morris declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application 173680 as a Governor at John Masefield High School and Planning application 172426 and signed the Interest book accordingly.

Cllr Warmington declared a non pecuniary interest in Planning application 173977 and signed the Interest book accordingly.

**P.134 - 11.17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*There were no members of the public present.*

**P.135 - 11.17 MINUTES**

The Minutes of the Economic Development and Planning Committee meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2017, were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**P.136 - 11.17 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Members commented on the following Planning Applications prior to determination by Herefordshire Council:-

1.	<a href="#">173680</a>	Proposed 2 storey classroom block (attached to existing building) to provide 10 no. classrooms to replace existing mobile classroom accommodation at <b>The John Masefield High School, Ledbury HR8 2HF</b> COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT REG 4
<b>RESOLVED: that the application be supported.</b>		

Having declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest at P.133 - 11.17, Cllr Wilce left the chamber during discussion of the following item.

2.	<a href="#">173412</a>	Proposed building for agricultural storage. Demolition of remains of existing building at <b>Old Kennels Farm, Ledbury HR8 1LG</b> PLANNING PERMISSION
<b>RESOLVED: that the application be supported.</b>		

Cllr Wilce re-joined the meeting.

3.	<a href="#">160238</a>	Change of use of land from agricultural to a one family traveller site incl. stationing of two mobile homes, two touring caravans, treatment plant, sheds and associated parking/ turning/hardstanding and new access at <b>Lane at Oak Tree View, Beggars Ash Lane, Wellington Heath</b> APPEAL AGAINST REFUSAL OF PLANNING PERMISSION <i>Members were circulated with correspondence from a Wellington Heath Parish Councillor opposing the application.</i>
<b>RESOLVED: not to support the application. Members re-iterated their previous concerns:</b> <b>Access and egress;</b> <b>risk of pollution;</b> <b>adequacy of water treatment plan;</b> <b>not in SHLAA;</b> <b>in open countryside;</b> <b>change of use;</b> <b>sight line</b>		
4.	<a href="#">173977</a>	Proposed rear single storey extension at <b>2 John Lee Road, Ledbury HR8 2FE</b> FULL HOUSEHOLDER
<b>RESOLVED: that the application be supported.</b>		
5.	<a href="#">172426</a>	Proposed 4 bedroom house with garage/outbuilding replacing a derelict classroom and canteen at <b>Land at The Old Canteen, Worcester Road, Ledbury</b> PLANNING PERMISSION
<b>RESOLVED: that the application be supported.</b>		
6.	<a href="#">174003</a>	Proposed change of use of agricultural buildings to a pet crematorium business at <b>Marley Hall, Staplow HR8 1NR</b> WASTE
<b>RESOLVED: that the application be supported.</b>		

**P.137 - 11.17 WORKS TO TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA**

Members commented on the following application prior to determination by Herefordshire Council:-

Members were advised that the Town Council's Tree Warden had no objection to the application.

1.	<a href="#">174029</a>	<p>Birch (T1) reduce to a single trunk at the main fork. Reason: outgrown situation at <b>130 The Homend, Ledbury HR8 1BZ</b> WORKS TO TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA</p>
		<b>RESOLVED: that the application be supported.</b>

**P.138 - 11.17 PLANNING APPLICATION DECISIONS**

Members were circulated with an updated summary of determinations made by Herefordshire Council on planning applications previously considered by Ledbury Town Council.

Herefordshire Ward member, Cllr Warmington gave an update on the Gladman Planning application, advising the application had been delegated to Planning Officers to decide.

**RESOLVED: That the summary be noted.**

**P.139 - 11.17 BUDGET 2018/19**

Members considered the second draft of the budget required by the Economic Development & Planning Committee for 2018/19, copies having been circulated.

The following changes were agreed:

- Budget line for Speed Indicator Devices (SID's) transferred from E & L to the ED & P committee.
- Farmer's Market budget line removed.

**P.140 - 11.17 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT**

1. A417, LEADON WAY, LEDBURY – PROPOSED SPEED LIMIT (REVISION)

Members considered a proposal to introduce a 40mph speed limit along a section of the A417, Leadon Way, Ledbury. Amended plans were circulated to members.

Members felt strongly that in order to avoid creating a bottleneck and to give HGV's sufficient stopping time, the 40mph section should be extended in an easterly direction, all the way up to the Gloucester Road roundabout.

**RESOLVED: That the proposal be supported with the above stipulation.**

2. Members were advised of correspondence from two local residents relating to traffic management issues; i) illegal parking at the top of Church Street/entrance to Hillfield Drive due to poor condition of double

yellow lines; ii) complaint about traffic chaos as a result of a road closure in New Street on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2017. Both issues had been referred to Herefordshire Council as the Highways authority.

**P.141 - 11.17 CONSULTATIONS**

Rights of Way Improvement Plan (ROWIP)

Members considered comments from the Parish Footpath Officer in respect of the consultation.

**RESOLVED: That the comments be adopted as the Town Council’s response to the consultation.**

**P.142 - 11.17 CORRESPONDENCE – FOR INFORMATION**

Members noted correspondence from Gladman Developments Ltd. regarding notice of a public consultation on proposals for a residential development of up to 470 homes on land off Dymock Road.

Members were encouraged to submit individual comments on the consultation.

An email from a local resident expressing views on the proposal had been circulated to Members by email.

The Town Council is advised that the Planning application 171897 for signage at the Master’s House would be considered at the next Herefordshire Council planning committee meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm. Any Committee member wishing to register to speak at the meeting should contact the office by Monday 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Town Council had been notified of the Herefordshire Local Plan – Travellers Sites Development Plan Document pre-Submission Consultation 6 November – 18 December. Unfortunately notification had not been received in time to add to the agenda.

Cllr Barnes advised the meeting that a public display on the landscaping scheme for The Master’s House would be available to view in the building from the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> November.

**P.143 - 11.17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA**

The date of the next, scheduled meeting of the Economic Development & Planning Committee is Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

The following items were raised for inclusion on the next agenda.

Traffic Managements issues - speeding in New Street, Lower Rd/Albert Rd; parking issues in Bank Crescent.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.53pm.

CHAIRMAN ..... DATE .....