



Cricklade Town Council

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PLANNING CONSERVATION & TRANSPORT MEETING

Monday 10th October 2011
7.00 p.m. at Ockwells

Cllr G Chapman - Chairman

Councillors present:

Cllr J Harmer

Cllr L Forrester

Cllr M. Clarke

Cllr D. Tetlow

Cllr A. Dentith

6 members of the public.

At the start of the meeting the Chairman pointed out the notice regarding fire instructions on the entrance door.

Public Question Time

Mr C. Morley asked who was responsible for the damage that had occurred to many lamp posts in the town when many posters of a missing cat had been stuck to them with sticky tape. The Chairman agreed that this was a problem. She suggested a reminder be placed in The Chronicle asking residents to refrain from doing so and also to remove them afterwards.

MINUTES

11.074 Apologies for absence

Cllr B Beasley

11.075 Declarations of Interest on items on the agenda

None were appropriate

11.076 Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on the 19th September 2011 were signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true record.

11.077 Planning applications received from Wiltshire Council.

a.N/11/02726/FUL	Mrs A Lonergan, 9 Waylands, Cricklade SN6 6BT Rear Extension and Garage Conversion
Following discussion it was resolved to SUPPORT this application.	
b.N/11/02927/LBC	Mr Graves, 4 The Priory, Cricklade SN6 6DG Internal & External Alterations Including Insertion of Staircase and Internal Subdivisions, Demolition of Lean-to & Erection of Glazed Lean-to, Re-roofing of Outbuilding
Following discussion it was resolved to SUPPORT this application. Members noted that this application was for listed building consent only and whilst no full application had been made it was felt that inadequate attention had been made to the flood risk in the area and some mitigation was required as part of the redevelopment. It was AGREED that the Assistant Town Clerk should comment accordingly.	
c.N/11/02759/FUL	Mr N Dye, 1 The Priory, Cricklade SN6 6DG

	First Floor Roof Extension
Following discussion it was resolved to SUPPORT this application.	
d. N/11/03005/FUL	Mr J Coole, 68 The Fiddle, Cricklade SN6 6HN Garage Conversion & Erection of Garden Wall at 19 Manor Orchard, Cricklade SN6 6EA
Following discussion it was resolved to SUPPORT this application.	

11.078 Planning Applications – to formally request call in of any appropriate applications.
There were no applications for call in.

11.079 Planning decisions received from Wiltshire Council.
The following decisions were noted:

N/11/02681/DEM Tarmac Ltd., re. Brookfield Farm, 17 Chelworth Road, Chelworth SN6 6HE Demolition of Residential Dwelling Permitted Development - Granted 12/9/2011
N/11/02646/FUL Mr & Mrs Moisejevs, Hope Cottage, 4 Purton Road, Cricklade SN6 6JA Two Storey Extension Cricklade Town Council Supported – Granted 15/9/2011
N/11/02707/FUL Mr Jowitt, 18 High Street, Cricklade SN6 6AP Extension Cricklade Town Council Supported – Granted 21/9/2011

11.080 Correspondence

- a. **Letter from resident regarding pedestrian safety in Stones Lane.** Following discussion members **AGREED** that this was appropriate to the Area Board Transport Group. The Assistant Town Clerk was asked to make the reference and provide an estimate of costs for the work as only a small budget is held at Area level.
- b. **Wiltshire Council - Boundary dispute Horsey Down/Leisure Centre Field.** Following a site visit by a Surveyor from Wiltshire Council an initial response had been received. Further clarification had been sought on their position as they now appear to be supporting our position and a further response is awaited. It was **AGREED** that further action could not be taken until the position was made clear.
- c. **Department for Transport – proposed stopping up of Highway (20metres Highway verge) Glenpac Site The Forty.** The proposals were not clear from the documentation that had been submitted and the Assistant Town Clerk was asked to clarify the purposes of the order and who maintains the new footpath once construction completed.
- d. **Letter from resident regarding temporary closure of The Forty.** Members noted the correspondence and the Assistant Town Clerk was asked to contact the Contractors again to ask for adequate signage to be put in place as soon as the work commenced.
- e. **Wiltshire Council – Winter leaflet 2011 – an advice leaflet including gritting routes** had been received. This was noted.
- f. **Wiltshire Highways – Road closure High Street (part) 16th November for 2 nights.** This was noted. There was concern that the work would cease at 12pm as indicated. During a suspension of standing orders a member of the public asked if they were aware that Abingdon Court Lane was now one way. The Assistant Town Clerk was asked to confirm position.
- g. **NALC and CPRE – Planning Guidance.** This was noted and retained in the office for future use.

11.081 Consultation The Forty/Fiddle/Chelworth Road – The results of the recent resident's survey in The Forty/Fiddle and Chelworth Road had been analysed.

The number of questionnaires issued – 102: Number returned – 57:Response 56%

Question 1 - I am in favour of the closure of The Forty as a through route for vehicular traffic

1. Yes 54% 2 No 46%

Question 2 - I am in favour of the closure of The Fiddle as a through route for vehicular traffic

1. Yes 48% 2. No 52%

Question 3 - If yes I prefer closure to be located at

1. The Forty Purton Road 18%
2. Junction with The Fiddle and Chelworth Road 46%
3. Midway along Chelworth Road 36%

Other Comments (37)

1. Speeding traffic, non-enforcement of speed limits, consider 20mph limit, Traffic Calming and speed humps to discourage use as rat run 36%
2. Make it access only or restrict width of road to deter large vehicles 20%
3. Complaints re lack of Enforcement of HGV limits 20%
4. School Bus route, Fire Police and Ambulance access concerns 5%
5. Lack of pavements in the area 12%
6. People want options on how to access both Cricklade and other areas 2%
7. One Way system needed. 7%

Members considered the results. A 56% response rate clearly demonstrated the concern of residents. However it was felt the results were inconclusive. Of the 57 replies, 23 wanted no closures at all, 23 wanted both The Fiddle and The Forty closed, and 11 wanted either The Fiddle or The Forty only closed.

The largest number of comments related to speed of traffic, restricting vehicles to access only and the continued use of the road by HGVs despite the limits already in place. The number of speeding white van delivery vehicles accessing Chelworth Industrial Estate also featured highly. One resident suggested extending the 30mph zone to Chelworth. Several residents pointed out that Chelworth Road and The Fiddle is on a recognised School Bus route and any changes to access would need to take this into account as well as the impact on emergency vehicle response times.

Following discussion it was **AGREED** that the lack of a clear mandate for any one particular closure meant that asking Highways to consider any changes at the moment was unlikely to be successful. Several options were considered and whilst it was accepted that there was a problem no immediate solution was available to the Town Council. The results of the last metro count had been analysed in some depth by Cllr Harmer but they still failed to meet the criteria for speed watch. Recently a vehicle had mounted the grass verge at speed damaging property. Cllr Colmer has already asked for the metro count to be re-sited and undertaken again once the new development is complete. The Assistant Town Clerk was therefore asked to write to the original complainant outlining the position. It would seem the Town Council can do nothing further at this stage until further information and statistics are compiled to support further restrictions. Residents may wish to form a group for this purpose and every support would be given along with access to the information already held from the consultation and speed analysis.

11.082 Neighbourhood Planning Forum – Cllr Harmer was appointed at the last meeting as the Town Council representative. We have now been informed that two representatives could be sent as well as a Town Plan representative. It was agreed that Cllr Szybiak should be nominated.

Meeting Closed at 07.45pm