



Cricklade Town Council

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PLANNING CONSERVATION & TRANSPORT MEETING

Monday 20th December 2010
7.00 p.m. at Ockwells

Councillors present:

Cllr Mrs G Chapman - Chairman

Cllr B Beasley Vice-Chairman Cllr B. Atfield Cllr Mrs. D Avenell Cllr Mrs L Forrester

Cllr D. Tetlow

3 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

There were no questions raised.

MINUTES

10.106 Apologies for absence

Cllr Mrs. A Dentith

10.107 Declarations of Interest in items on the agenda –Item 9 Cllr Tetlow prejudicial interest, stayed took part in debate, but did not vote.

10.108 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on the 6th December 2010 were signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true record.

10.109 Planning applications received from Wiltshire Council.

(a)	N/10/04354/ADV	Mrs R Kular, Education Plus, Meadowpark School, Calcutt Street, Cricklade SN6 6BA Erection of Two Non-Illuminated Signs, One to the Side Wall and the Other at the Front Entrance at The Old School, High Street, Cricklade SN6 6DD
Following discussion it was RESOLVED that Cricklade Town Council SUPPORTS this application.		

10.110 Planning Applications – to formally request call in of any appropriate applications.
None were appropriate

10.111 Planning decisions received from Wiltshire Council were noted.

<p>N10/03673/FUL Mr & Mrs Slade, 35 Hallsfield, Cricklade. SN6 6LR Erection of Attached New Dwelling Cricklade Town Council Objected - Refused</p>
<p>N/10/03672/FUL Mr Messenger, 3 North Meadow Road, Cricklade SN6 6LT Conservatory Cricklade Town Council Supported - Granted</p>
<p>N/10/03595/FUL Mr A Evett, 27 Common Hill, Cricklade SN6 6EZ Two Storey Side Extension Cricklade Town Council Supported - Granted</p>
<p>N/10/03854/TCA Mr B Danby The Old Manse 21 High Street Cricklade SN6 6AP. Tree surgery to Cherry Tree. Cricklade Town Council Supported - Granted</p>

10.112 Correspondence –

- a. **Gloucestershire County Council** – Glos. Waste Core Strategy – this was noted.
- b. **Wiltshire Council** – Notice of Planning Appeal 35 Hallsfield had been received. This was noted and delegated to Assistant Town Clerk and Chairman to make a submission on behalf of the Council.

10.113 Flooding

- a. Cllr Chapman updated members on progress since her written report to Full Town Council. Some extensive and long awaited work in Spitals Lane had commenced last week which should improve the surface water problems experienced in that area.
- b. Improved flood warning service – details had been received from the Environment Agency and copied to members these were noted.

10.114 Town Hall Car Park –

Cllr Tetlow updated members on the meeting with Town Hall committee representatives regarding possible charging by Wiltshire Council and the outcome of discussions. Whilst the Town Hall Committee was of the opinion that this was a public car park rather than a car park attached to the hall, they were keen to be supportive and offered to pay one half of costs less the current lease payments. It was felt that little maintenance would be required in the short term apart from some relining and that would not mean a huge drain on the Town Hall resources. The car park is partly owned by the Town Hall Committee; any new lease will have to include that element too. It was understood from the Town Hall Committee that their lease is due to expire in 2016 and it may therefore be appropriate to arrange any further lease for a similar period to allow it to run concurrently.

At a previous meeting of this committee members were not prepared to accept the original offer to take over responsibility for this car park from Wiltshire Council on a short term lease. It was now understood from a meeting of the Wiltshire Cabinet last week that there is a possibility that there may now be some flexibility in terms of the period of lease and terms. Following a wide ranging discussion where members were concerned about taking on additional costs for the town, providing parking for residents at public expense, and asking all council tax payers to pay for a facility they may never use. It was also important that a letter of comfort from the Town Hall be requested confirming their agreement on costs. During a suspension of standing orders one resident spoke in support of the Town Council taking over the car park so that it remained an asset to the town and Mr Bob Jones on behalf of CBA also supported the move although the organisation was not able to contribute financially.

After further discussion it was **RESOLVED** that we reopen negotiations with Wiltshire Council with a view to obtaining a 5 year lease and bring proposals back to the next

Planning meeting on 11th January to enable a recommendation to be made to Full Town Council on 17th January. Four votes in favour (one not voting).

It was recognised that timescales are quite tight and this may not be possible in view of Christmas break.

A letter from a resident regarding charges had been received and a further letter received that day. These were noted.

10.115 Local Development Plan – It was agreed that the Cricklade Town Council LDF needed to be finalised

The document needs tidying up and an additional entry made regarding Town Wall management. There is still some uncertainty how this fits with the community led Town Plan currently under preparation. It was felt Cricklade Town Council should have some input into this process and once full Council agreement had been obtained it should be copied eventually to the group that were completing the main plan. In view of Cllr Dixon's resignation it was **AGREED** that Cllr Chapman would chair this group and that Cllr Avenell would be added. A meeting should be held in early 2011. To avoid confusion it was suggested that the document be renamed Cricklade Development Plan.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.