



Cricklade Town Council

First Town on the Thames

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PLANNING CONSERVATION & TRANSPORT MEETING

Monday 19th September 2011

6.30 p.m. at Ockwells

Cllr G Chapman - Chairman

Councillors present:

Cllr B Beasley - V-Chairman

Cllr J Harmer

Cllr L Forrester

Cllr D. Tetlow

Cllr M. Clarke

Cllr A. Dentith

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 from the public.

MINUTES

11.059 Apologies for absence

None were appropriate

11.060 Declarations of Interest on items on the agenda

None were appropriate

11.061 Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on the 30th August 2011 were signed by the Chairman and adopted as a true record.

11.062 Hills Waste Solutions - Andrea Pellegram, Technical Services Manager, Hills Group addressed the meeting regarding possible applications to meet changes in the waste collection service that were agreed by Wiltshire Council in February 2011. A further pre-application consultation would be undertaken once plans had been finalised. She distributed a paper updating members on future waste management arrangements in the area. A discussion took place about future arrangements at Parkgate Farm Purton and the impact on vehicles travelling through Cricklade from the south. She undertook to produce more detailed figures relating to lorry movements when any application was brought forward.

11.063 Planning applications received from Wiltshire Council.

a. N/11/02855/CAC

Mrs A Thomas, 80 High Street, Cricklade SN6 6DF
Remove 2m Section of Existing Wall

Following discussion it was resolved to **OBJECT** this application as it relates to a property which is situated in the Cricklade Conservation Area and is for the removal of 2 metres of stone wall. According to the Conservation Area Statement the recommendation is that in this area of the town the remaining stone and old brick boundary walls should be protected.

The applicant wants to take down the wall to improve the safety and visibility when

entering and leaving the private driveway and claims that the impact of the proposed removal of the wall is negligible. The proposed change would also facilitate the loading/unloading of a disabled buggy. It was felt that the issue was whether the undoubted benefits in terms of safety and visibility outweighed the impact on the conservation area and whether the proposed works were essential. Members agreed that the importance of trying to maintain the look and feel of the conservation area was more important than other considerations and that if this application were supported then it would be difficult to object to any other similar applications in the future. During a suspension of standing orders one member of the public spoke about the application.

b. N/11/02871/S73A	Miss K Walsh, Mill House, Cerney Wick, GL7 5QS Variation of Condition 7 of 09/00914/FUL – Revision to Design at Chelworth Fields Livery Yard, Common Hill, Cricklade SN6 6HA
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Following discussion it was resolved to **SUPPORT** this application.

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

11.065 Planning decisions received from Wiltshire Council.

The following decisions were noted:

11/01261/FUL Cricklade Town Council Land to Rear of 38 High Street, Cricklade, Wiltshire, SN16 6AY Change of Use to Car Park Cricklade Town Council application -Granted
N/11/01976/FUL Mrs Jackson, 7 Horse Fair Lane, Cricklade SN6 6BN Two Storey Rear Extension Cricklade Town Council Supported – Granted
N/11/02366/FUL Mr Freeth, Kingshill Farm, Calcutt, Cricklade SN6 6JR Erection of Agricultural Barn Following Removal of Telecommunications Equipment Cricklade Town Council Supported – Granted

11.066 Correspondence

a. Wiltshire Council – Redemption Scheme. Letter received giving details of meetings with Wiltshire Council regarding parking charges where a coupon redemption scheme was operated. This was noted as it did not apply to any of the Town’s car parks.

b.Hills Community Liaison Committee, Chapel Farm – minutes of last meeting. These were noted.

c.Wiltshire Highways – notification of further temporary road closure of The Forty/Purton Road. This was noted.

11.067 Emergency Planning – Earlier in the year the Emergency Planning Service gave briefings to Town and Parish Councils at Area Boards about Community Resilience. This is a government led initiative. The intention is that all parishes have an up to date Community Resilience plan to replace older Initial Response or Emergency Plans. (Cricklade has an Initial Action Plan dated 2008). A new government template will help to enhance these existing plans. These new plans need to be kept up to date by a nominated person (nominated by the Town/Parish Council) who will maintain ownership of the plan. This could be the Community Emergency Volunteer (CEV). Cricklade’s CEV is Gary Walker who has already received appropriate training at Wiltshire Council. It was **AGREED** that Officers should start to work with the CEV to bring together a Community Resilience Plan for Cricklade updating the existing plan and using the new template and guidance from Wiltshire Council officers as necessary.

- 11.068 White Paper on Planning Changes** – A summary of the Government proposals on simplification of planning guidance to encourage sustainable growth prepared by Society of Local Council Clerks had been circulated to members. This was noted. Following discussion it was **AGREED** that whilst a full response to the consultation was not necessary Cricklade Town Council should respond that in their opinion the presumption in favour of development was thought to be unacceptable.
- 11.069 2012/13 Planning Budget** – Members discussed initial spending plans for the coming year. The Assistant Town Clerk was requested to obtain further information relating to costs for maintenance on all three car parks and to report on how these budgets be managed in future. On going running costs such as business rates, lighting, as well as maintenance need to be included. Other budget headings to remain as before.
- 11.070 Operational Flood Working Group** –Cllr Clarke gave a verbal report of last meeting that he attended. Although a representative of Thames Water was present she was not briefed to answer some of the specific questions that we wanted raised. Cllr Chapman undertook to email her separately and report back to Full Town Council. The exploratory work that was necessary in the school field had been undertaken in the holidays. This was not conclusive and additional work on levels and flows was required. A solution was likely to be expensive.
- 11071 Request for CTC to consider applying for Listed Building status for area of High Street South.** At the last meeting a question was raised by a member of the public about the possibility of having the cobbled area of High Street south listed. This followed some work being undertaken by contractors and concerns that the stones were not going to be replaced adequately.
Details of how and why buildings are selected for listing had been obtained. As this area is part of the Conservation area it is already afforded some protection as part of the planning system and via 'Local Designation'. The 'cobbled' area up to houses 16/17 High Street has been replaced over the years and is of different materials to the flat stone cobbles that extend up to 24 High Street which are the type that were in evidence throughout the High Street and can be seen in early photographs.
The Cricklade Conservation Area Statement simply refers to the area as 'high battered stone kerb' and then says it is 'an attractive feature of this part of the High Street' and should be preserved'.
Following discussion it was **AGREED** that no further action was to be taken as there is sufficient protection within the Conservation Area and members were already aware of the significance to the local street scene. Considerable research and consultation would be necessary as well as liaison with the Planning Authority, Wiltshire Highways and English Heritage which was not felt to be necessary at the current time.
- 11.072 Actions since last meeting –**

- 10.055 (a) Planning Appeal 11th January 2011. Hicks Lease Adjourned Cllrs Tetlow and Chapman to attend. Third adjournment to December 2011 *outstanding*
- 10.114
10168 Town Hall Car Park – all action completed to date, waiting further details from Wiltshire Council. Lease and costing promised w/c 9/5/11 from WC. Establish detailed costing. Signage completed. Further signs to be purchased when handover agreed.
- 10167 (c)
10.180 (c) Abingdon Court lane – waiting restrictions. Obtain further information from Highways on previous requests and refer back.. Refer safety and parking issues in HF Lane, Thames Lane and Abingdon Court Lane to Area Transport Group. Discussed with Highways 15/6/11 referred to Joanne Heal for consideration. Email sent. *outstanding*
- 10.190 Contact Enforcement for clarification of position on costs and FF car park emailed 21/6/11 - *outstanding*
- PQT 6/6/11 20mph enforcement. Write to businesses in Chelworth Industrial Estate re 20mph limit – 29 letters issued on 16/9/11 to all businesses. **CLEARED**
- PQT 6/6/11
11.020 To include HGVs in The Forty in letter completed 16/9/11 **CLEARED**
- 11.024 Area Board Transport Group –all outstanding issues listed for AB. Write to Peter Doyle about the system. This action has been overtaken by events. Letters sent to Cllr Scott and Chief Constable **CLEARED**
- 11.024 Community Speed Watch – obtain raw data. Email sent 18/7/11. Information obtained and analysed. Hold pending resident consultation on street closures. Application for SIDs and for training of volunteers made.
- 11.026 Arrange Car park working party. Agreed no meeting necessary at prestn **CLEARED**
- 11.035 Review signage in the Town *outstanding*
- PQT
08.08.11 Confirm whether Freight Assessment & Priority Mechanism in Freight strategy applies to B4040. Email to Transport Policy sent 15/8/11. Reply received and further clarification sought 13/9/11. Reply received 19/9/11 further work necessary and report for next meeting.
- 11.043d Survey residents of The Forty/Chelworth Road/Fiddle regarding request for road closure including landowners. 102 letters distributed; 31 returned **CLEARED**
- PQT
30/8/11 Procedure for listing cobbled area of High Street to be established for consideration. See report on agenda. **CLEARED**
- 11.054 (a) Cricklade CAN Waste road show 1/10/11 – thank organisers. **CLEARED**
- 11.054 (b) Write to Chief Police Constable and Leader of Wiltshire Council regarding 20mph limits and enforcement letter sent **CLEARED**
- 11.055 Write to Area Board requesting urgent training of volunteers, SIDs and metro count. Email request sent **CLEARED**
- 11.056 Licences for land adjacent to public toilets to be signed and returned. **CLEARED**
- 11.057 Neighbour Hood Planning Group – nominate Cllr John Harmer **CLEARED**

11.073 Working Party Updates – These were noted. It was agreed that only the Car Park Working Party would be reported in future. Cllr Forrester reported as Climate Change representative that still no information had been received on street closure. It was **AGREED** that the Assistant Town Clerk should write to Alison Sullivan and copy Cllr Peter Doyle and Cllr Colmer expressing our frustration at the continued lack of progress. The additional areas that have been identified are not to be actioned until the first tranche has been completed.

Meeting Closed at 08.00pm