

BRIDGNORTH TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting of Bridgnorth Town Council held in the Annexe, College House on Tuesday 3rd May 2022 at 10.00am

Present: Councillors, D Cooper, J Buckley, K Sawbridge and I Wellings

In attendance: Ros Williams, Deputy Town Clerk
Amee Plimmer, Business Administrator

(Draft until signed at a subsequent meeting)

0383/2122 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillor L Neal Personal commitment

0384/2122 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil

0385/2122 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

0386/2122 **MINUTES**

RESOLVED: that the minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 11th October 2021, having been previously circulated, be signed by the Chairman as a true record.

0387/2122 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Councillor J Buckley joined the meeting at this point

The following applications were considered and it was **RESOLVED:** that the following recommendations be submitted to Shropshire Council:

- i) 22/01472/FUL - Former Bridgnorth District Council, Westgate, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV16 5AA - Demolition of existing vacant office building and redevelopment to provide a residential scheme of 30 dwellings, felling of trees, highway works, landscaping and other associated works.

We note that the applicant's revised proposals go some way to address our concerns over the previous scheme about vehicles

reversing onto or off Ludlow Road. However, we do feel that the current scheme creates some potential for this problem to arise due to the lack of visitor parking and potential for homeowners to have more than 2 vehicles for their property. We feel that a prohibition of parking on the adjacent parts of Ludlow Road and Westgate would be essential and pedestrian crossings would assist.

Nevertheless, we do feel that a solution which provides vehicle access to the rear of the properties fronting Ludlow Road would be preferable, and that the arrangements for visitor parking should be clarified.

- ii) 22/01009/FUL - Oldbury Grange, Oldbury, Bridgnorth, Shropshire, WV16 5LW - Works to include the erection of extension, refuse store, cycle shelter and smoking shelter; elevational alterations; landscaping works and formation of terraced area; creation of additional parking spaces; installation of ground mounted solar panels (1518sqm); closure of one vehicular access.

Support, subject to a satisfactory traffic study being undertaken with regards to the provision of car parking spaces and clarification given that the provision is sufficient for requirements. (It has been noted that in 2010, under planning number 10/01738/FUL, permission was granted for 67 car parking spaces. The current application states a reduction from 55 to 36 spaces)

Bridgnorth Town Council welcomes the ambition for renewal energy with the installation of solar panels. However, boundary treatments should be conditioned to ensure that the site is in keeping with the surrounding area.

0388/2122 **RESPONSES TO PLANNING APPLICATIONS - 11th OCTOBER 2021 TO 11th APRIL 2022**

Members noted the summary of applications received, Town Council responses (submitted under delegated authority) and Shropshire Council decisions since the last meeting of the Town Council Planning Committee held on 11th October 2021.