



**Minutes of the meeting of the Planning Committee held on
Tuesday 12 March 2024 at 18:30 in the small hall of the Village Hall**

Present: **Councillors**
P Purvis (Chair)
D Everett
S Florek
L Hardy
A Holland
P Neil
D Sowry-House
J Stennett

In Attendance: Catherine Horsley (Town Clerk & RFO)
Rachel Virrill (Deputy Town Clerk - Minute Taker)

Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

PC 23/175 To Receive and Accept apologies for absence (LGA 1972 s85 (1))

There were no apologies for absence.

PC 23/176 To Record any declarations of interest Members to declare any interests, including Disclosable Pecuniary Interests they may have in agenda items that accord with the requirements of the Town Council's Code of Conduct and to consider any prior requests from members for Dispensations that accord with Localism Act 2011 s33(b-e) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations)

There were no declarations of interest.

PC 23/177 Paper A - To Approve minutes of meeting held on 27 February 2024 LGA 1972, sch 12, para 41

The minutes of the meeting held on 27 February 2024 were **APPROVED**.

PC 23/178 Paper B - To Note Planning Decisions Report – decisions between 21 February 2024 – 6 March 2024

Members noted the applications to fell trees at 17 Wills Close and 7 Wickham Drive had been refused by Dorset Council Planning, which was positive news and thanked the officers for pursuing objections, albeit they were received for information only.

The planning decisions report was **NOTED**.

PC 23/179 To Consider the following applications received from Dorset Council:

Application No: P/HOU/2024/01074
Location: 16 Coventry Close Corfe Mullen BH21 3UP
Proposal: Erect two-storey side extension
<https://planning.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=403732>

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Philip Burgess'.

It was **RESOLVED** that there were no objections.

Tree Works Applications for Information Purposes Only:

Application: P/TRT/2024/01156
Location: 17 Orchard Close Corfe Mullen Dorset BH21 3TW
Proposal: T1 Beech: Lateral reduction of up to 1m to the NW side of canopy by removing secondary and tertiary branches only.
<https://planning.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=403829>

Application: P/TRT/2024/01047
Location: 21 Olivia Close Corfe Mullen Dorset BH21 3BX
Proposal: T1 Oak: Remove low limb over garden.
<https://planning.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=403696>

Application: P/TRT/2024/01126
Location: 11 Lavender Way Corfe Mullen BH18 9NN
Proposal: Maple: Crown reduction reducing by approximately 30% to give a new finished height of 6m and new finished width of 6m.
<https://planning.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/plandisp.aspx?recno=403791>

The tree works applications were **NOTED**.

PC 23/180 Paper C – To Note Highways Update and Consider New Items for Approval

The Clerk presented the report, noting a new request had been received from a resident to reduce the speed limit on Wareham Road from Windgreen Roundabout to Hillview Roundabout to 20mph.

Dorset Council Highways advised that requests for 20mph speed limits should be considered and submitted to Dorset Council Highways for approval as a scheme for a zone rather than individual roads. They had also recommended that the Town Council should take time to consider the locations within the village and not to rush into it.

The Clerk suggested, the newly elected Town Council should consider 20mph zones in the village following the elections in May 2024.

Cllr Hardy referred to item 10 on the report appendices, noting although parking on pavements causes an obstruction, he was unclear whether it was illegal and that the report maybe misleading.

Following a robust discussion, the Clerk confirmed she would investigate further and report back at the next meeting.

The update was **NOTED**.

PC 23/181 Paper D – To Note Update on Dorset Council Local Plan

The Clerk presented the report, reiterating the revised timeline to develop the Dorset Council Local Plan.

Cllr Hardy noted he had attended the Dorset Association of Parish and Town Councils (DAPTC) Networking event held at Kingston Maurwood on 7 March 2024, whereby Cllr David Walsh, Planning portfolio holder had updated attendees on the Plan with comments noted as follows:

- Dorset Council were considering locations across Dorset for a new village or town.
- Neighbourhood plans were key to ensuring developments reflected the character and design of the local area.
- Current local housing needs estimated to be 1,900 homes per year.



- Developing a Management Plan for wind farms.
- Consultation will take place digitally, commencing in November 2024.

Members discussed their disappointment that the timeline to develop the Dorset Council Local Plan had been extended by a further three years and that the strategy to develop the Plan appeared to be officer-led rather than member-led.

The update was **NOTED**.

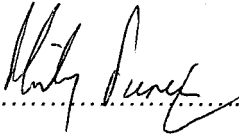
PC 23/182 Matters for forthcoming agendas No decisions can be taken¹

ClIr Hardy noted he had received a request from a resident to consider a speed reduction on Wimborne Road from Lake Gates, due to the speed of traffic coming off of the A31. The Clerk confirmed the request would be included in the Highways report for the next meeting scheduled on 26 March 2024.

ClIr Neil noted tree works had taken place at a property on Wareham Road and asked the Clerk to investigate to ensure no illegal tree felling had taken place.

PC 23/183 To Agree a date and time for the next meeting – the date and time of the next meeting will be Tuesday 26 March 2024 at 18:30 in the Small Hall of the Village Hall, Towers Way, Corfe Mullen.

PC 23/184 Close of Meeting at 19:01.

Signed as a correct record of the meeting.....  Date..... 26/3/2024.....

¹ Councils cannot lawfully decide items of business which are not specified in the summons/agenda (LGA1972 sch 12, paras 10(2)(b) and Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119)

