

SOUTH SWINDON
PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on 12 September 2017 at 7.35 pm
in Lounge, Broadgreen Community Centre

Present Cllr B Thompson (Chair)
Cllr N Watts (Vice-Chair)
Cllr S Allsopp
Cllr N Burns-Howell
Cllr M Dickinson
Cllr P Dixon
Cllr J Firmin
Cllr M Gladman
Cllr N Hopkins
Cllr J Miah
Cllr J Milner-Barry
Cllr S Pajak
Cllr C Watts

Officers Joyce Holman (Parish Clerk)

Public Four

Public Session Mr Flockhart spoke about the adoption of land in Shrevenham Road and provided more details about the history of the site, but it had not been possible for him to establish the owner of the land.

157 **Apologies**

Cllr J Ali
Cllr A Hawkins
Cllr J Howarth
Cllr M J Miah
Cllr D Pajak
Cllr T Philpot
Cllr T Robson
Cllr I Shaikh
Cllr J Short
Cllr D Wood

158 **Declaration of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**

Cllr Gladman declared a personal interest in one of the applicant for Tree Preservation Orders (Minute No 161).

159 **Planning Applications**

159.1 **S/17/1227/RAAD**

Playing Field County Ground
County Ground
SN1 2ED

Erection of a two storey pavilion, construction of a 3G playing pitch and 8no. 15 metre high floodlights, 4.5 metre high ball fencing, 2 metre high pitch perimeter fencing, erection of a storage container, construction of new car parking and associated landscaping works

Cllr N Watts stated that this Planning Application had already been approved and she asked the Clerk to find out why this had been sent to the Parish Council.

- 159.2 S/17/1336/SASM** Siting of a log cabin for use as club house and storage
Athletics County Ground
County Road
SN1 2ED

DECISION: No Objection

- 159.3 S/17/1311/TB** Installation of new ATM
119 Victoria Road
Old Town
SN1 3BL

DECISION: No Objection subject to the making good and new window being in keeping with the building.

- 159.4 S/17/1321/RM** Erection of 1no dwelling
Land rear of 55A Elmina Road
SN1 2BH

DECISION: No Objection

- 159.5 S/17/1331/IH** Change of use from retail to bingo premises and gaming machines (ground floor) and tanning centre (first floor)
21 Regent Street
SN1 1JL

DECISION: Objection for the following reasons:

1. Loss of a retail unit in a primary retail area.
2. Not in keeping with the surrounding retail area.
3. The Parish Council supports the comments already made by Forward Swindon.

- 159.6 S/17/1355/TB** Change of use of part ground floor from retail (class A1) to Restaurant/ Café (Class A3)
49 Manchester Road
SN1 2AG

DECISION: No Objection

- 159.7 S/17/1370/RM** Erection of 1no. dwelling and associated works
Land at 5 Marsh Farm Lane
SN1 2GL

DECISION: Objection for the following reasons:

1. Overdevelopment of the plot. The proposed new dwelling is squeezed in behind existing established housing.
2. Loss of Privacy. The adjoining properties will all be overlooked by the new dwelling and they will have a loss of amenity in their gardens.
3. The new dwelling and garages appear to be replacing the garages for the properties on Shrivenham Road and it is unclear where parking has been provided for these properties in the new development.
4. The Parish Council does not believe that this conforms to the policies within the Swindon Residential Design SPD.

166 Gritting Routes for Parish Council

The Clerk submitted an email dated 30 August 2017 from the Service Manager-Highways Maintenance at Swindon Borough Council a copy of which appears as Appendix F in the Minute Book.

The email set out the proposed changes to the gritting routes, which meant that a number of roads within the parish would no longer be gritted. Councillors stated that they were very concerned that well-used roads and steep hills were being taken off the gritting route.

RESOLVED that the response of Parish Council state ‘The Parish Council is very unhappy about the proposal to reduce any of the gritting routes within their parish. This is particularly the case as many of the road are either well used commuter routes, near schools or road that contained steep hills. The Parish Council is therefore unable to support the removal of any gritting routes in the parish.’

167 StreetSmart – Monthly Reporting

The Clerk submitted an email dated 24 August 2017 from the Customer Experience Lead at Swindon Borough Council a copy of which appears as Appendix G in the Minute Book.

Councillors asked the Clerk to obtain details regarding the current level of complaints before the data from Lagan was no longer available. The Clerk would also send a copy of the report by email, as the printed copy did not show all the details.

The report was noted by Councillors.

168 Change to Fly Tipping – Broadgreen

The Clerk submitted an email dated 30 August 2017 from the Service Manager – Environmental Cleansing at Swindon Borough Council a copy of which appears as Appendix H in the Minute Book.

The email gave details of the change in the fly-tipping regime for Broadgreen, which was noted by Councillors.

169 Adoption of land – Shrivenham Road

The Clerk submitted an email dated 4 August 2017 from Cllr Ali a copy of which appears as Appendix I in the Minute Book.

The email concerned a piece of land in Shrivenham Road which was not maintained and the owner was not known. Swindon Borough Council had confirmed that they did not own the land. The Clerk was asked to find out from Land Registry the owner of the land before consideration could be given to the maintenance.

170 Change of Postal Address – Coate

The Clerk submitted an email dated 10 August 2017 from Royal Mail Address Maintenance Manager a copy of which appears as Appendix J in the Minute Book.

The email referred to the proposed removal of Coate from the postal address of Badbury Park, which was not acceptable to residents. Royal Mail had now confirmed that they were not going ahead with this change and Cllr Dickinson stated that residents were happy with the outcome.

171 Tetrapack Recycling – Prospect Place

The Clerk submitted an email dated 17 August 2017 from Cllr N Watts a copy of which appears as Appendix K in the Minute Book.

The email asked about the tetrapack recycling that had not been returned to the BRING site at Prospect Place. Cllr Dixon added that the BRING site only consisted of a clothes bank.

Both Cllr N Watts and the Clerk had made enquiries about the BRING site but had only received an acknowledgement, but no response. The Clerk was asked to chase this further and report back.

172 Admission of Public and Press

RESOLVED that in accordance with Standing Order 3d) that in view of the confidential nature of the business about to be transacted that the press and public be temporarily excluded and they be instructed to withdraw; the reason being PreApplication Discussion.

173 Pre-Application Discussion

The Committee considered a Pre-Application Planning Application and made various comments which would be sent back to the Planning Officer.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed.....
Date.....
Chair of the Council