

# The Planning & Environment Committee

## MILBORNE PORT PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of the Planning & Environment Committee meeting

The Town Hall

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024 7:00pm**

### **Present:**

Councillors: Mr R Lockey (Chairman)      Mrs M Capon  
Mr C Phillips                                      Mr J Price  
Mr T Watts

### **In Attendance:**

The Deputy Parish Clerk/Committee Officer: Miss Nathalie Hetherington  
No members of the public attended.

### **Public Question and Comment Time:**

None.

Agenda Number:	Agenda Item:
75	<b><u>Apologies for Absence:</u></b> Received from Cllr. T Campbell, Cllr. T Carty, Cllr. R Tizzard
76	<b><u>Declarations of Interest:</u></b> None.
77	<b><u>Adoption of Minutes:</u></b> It was proposed by Cllr. Capon to adopt the minutes of the meeting held 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2024; seconded by Cllr. Phillips and resolved unanimously.
78	<b><u>Planning, Tree &amp; Licensing Applications made to Somerset Council – South Team:</u></b>  1. Proposal: <b>Alteration to provide access to oft area</b> Location: <b>Bank House, High Street, Milborne Port, DT9 5AQ</b> Applicant: <b>Mr A Elliott-Square</b> Application Type: <b>Listed Building Consent</b> Application Number: <b>23/03217/LBC</b> Deadline: <b>12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (extension agreed)</b>  <b>Cllr. Lockey proposed that MPPC support the application; seconded by Cllr. Price and resolved unanimously.</b>

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	<p>2. Proposal: <b>Proposed extension and internal alterations/reconfiguration including the provision of an internal lift.</b> Location: <b>The Old Vicarage, Sherborne Road, Milborne Port, DT9 5AT</b> Applicant: <b>Mr Warwick Melvin</b> Application Type: <b>Householder application</b> Application Number: <b>24/00167/HOU</b></p> <p><b>Cllr. Phillips proposed that MPPC support the application; seconded by Cllr. Watts and resolved unanimously.</b></p> <p>3. Proposal: <b>Proposed extension and internal alterations/reconfiguration including the provision of an internal lift.</b> Location: <b>The Old Vicarage, Sherborne Road, Milborne Port, DT9 5AT</b> Applicant: <b>Mr Warwick Melvin</b> Application Type: <b>Householder application</b> Application Number: <b>24/00168/LBC</b></p> <p><b>Cllr. Phillips proposed that MPPC support the application; seconded by Cllr. Watts and resolved unanimously.</b></p> <p><b>Action: Committee Officer to submit responses accordingly to Somerset Council.</b></p>
79	<p><b><u>Planning and Environment Committee Budget Update:</u></b> This was received. There was some discussion about a future Neighbourhood Plan and the extent to which the Community Review Project should meet the same objectives.</p>
80	<p><b><u>Proposed Diversion of Public Footpath WN 17/4 - Consultation</u></b> The Committee Officer explained the context for this proposal. Councillors expressed their full support for this diversion, which in fact has been informally in place for many years anyway in Lower Kingsbury and is the main route for walkers into the fields to the north of the village.</p> <p><b>Action: Committee Officer to respond to Somerset Council accordingly.</b></p>
81	<p><b><u>Fingerpost at Seven Wells Farm junction on the B3145</u></b> Two quotations were received and discussed.</p> <p><b>Cllr. Lockey proposed to appoint Somerset Forge to complete the work at the cost of £1125 + VAT; seconded by Cllr. Phillips and resolved by 4 votes with 1 abstention.</b></p> <p>The Committee Officer will apply for a grant to help meet some of the cost from the Campaign for the Protection of Rural England.</p> <p><b>Action: Committee Officer to liaise with the chosen contractor and complete CPRE grant application.</b></p>

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82	<p><b><u>Repairs to Guildhall Noticeboard</u></b></p> <p>The Committee Officer explained the context for this request from a local resident who has volunteered to look after this noticeboard and keep it up-to-date. Councillors agreed that it is an important amenity and requires refurbishment and maintenance. Ownership of and responsibility for the board is unclear but the fact that a resident is volunteering to look after is much appreciated.</p> <p><b>Cllr. Watts proposed that the estimate for £640 be accepted; seconded by Cllr. Lockey and resolved unanimously.</b></p> <p>Once the work is done, an article in the Village Magazine will explain why MPPC has chosen to maintain the board.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Action: Committee Officer to liaise with the contractor, Dave Gay.</b></p>
83	<p><b><u>Verbal Updates / Reports:</u></b></p> <p><b>(a) Update on Previous Planning Applications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Barn Cottage, Newtown – various alterations internally and to outside area – approved</li><li>○ Waterside House alterations - refused</li></ul> <p><b>(b) Update on Current Live Housing Development Applications:</b></p> <p><b>I. Messrs Parker, Davis and White, Wheathill Lane:</b> Nothing new to report.</p> <p><b>II. Burrington, Court Lane:</b> Wessex Water have provided a progress update; works will now continue until 7<sup>th</sup> June and the compound on the Court Lane site will remain until then.</p> <p><b>III. Other recent news/information:</b> None.</p> <p><b>(c) Update on Construction Management of Active Sites:</b></p> <p>The Committee Officer reported that the Wheathill Lane sign that was removed by the Redcliffe contractors is due to be repositioned on Abri land as near as possible to where it was originally. Also, two hanging signs will be added to the Wheatsheaf Road signs reading 'Leading to Wheathill Lane'. There was some discussion re. issues around the adoption of Wheatsheaf Road and its legal status until the development has been officially 'signed-off'. It was noted that there is less space for the Community Hub than there should be based on the plans.</p> <p><b>(d) Update on Highways Issues (incl. speeding):</b></p> <p>Cllr. Lockey will be moving the SID to opposite Ven House imminently. He is also researching the options for a second SID.</p>

**Meeting ended at 7.51pm.**

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