ILMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the **PLANNING, HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** was held on **Tuesday 8th September 2015** on the rising of the Open Spaces Committee Meeting in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, North Street, Ilminster,.

Present:

 Chairman: Cllr Shearman
Councillors: Cllr F Albin, Cllr R Drayton, Cllr J Fagan, Cllr J Fowler, Cllr V. Keitch, Cllr D Kinder, Cllr S Shepherd, Cllr S Storey, Cllr R Swann and Cllr T Walker
Officers In Attendance: Miss J Norris (Town Clerk), Miss A Tolland

Members of the Public: No members of the public attended the meeting.

At the start of the meeting a sheet was circulated to Councillors giving comments made by Planning Officers and other consultees on the application listed on the agenda;. it was noted that the application had already been agreed by South Somerset District Council.

P31. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Burton, Neave, Goodall, Sothern and Shepherd,

P32. Declarations of Interest

The declarations of interest given in the table below were made regarding items on the agenda.

Name	Agenda Item	Minute No	Nature of Interest	Type of Interest	Action
Cllr. V. Keach	Agenda Item 5 Planning Application 15/03516/FUL	P35	Knowing the Planning Officer and the application site is in close proximity to her own house	Personal	Spoke
Cllr. R. Drayton	Agenda Item 5 Planning Application 15/03516/FUL	P35	Close proximity to a relative's house	Personal	Spoke and abstained from voting

Chair's Initials

P33. Minutes

RESOLVED

- (i) that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th August 2015 be confirmed as a correct record.
- (ii) To note the action list relating to the Planning, Highways and Transport Committee.

Issues raised during consideration of the action list included:

- Action list: Item No. 12 Free Car Parking for 2 hours. The District Council were investigating a similar district-wide suggestion but no decision had been made.
- Action list: Item No. 13 Letter to Wales & West Utilities. The Town Clerk had spoken to them and, in future, they will contact us first for our suggestions on timings and routes. It was not possible on this occasion as it was a new connection for the block of flats and they were subject to a legal timeframe.
- The Road Closed sign at the top of North Street should be further down.
- The sign outside McColls was difficult /confusing. It was noted that this was short term

P34. Police Report

There was no written police report and no policing matters were raised or reported.

P35. Planning Applications

a) 15/03516/FUL, 23 Listers Hill, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 0EN

Demolish existing single storey extension and erection of single storey extension (GR 336052/113815)

It was noted that this planning application had already been granted permission. It was nevertheless discussed and approval recommended.

P36. Planning Decisions made by SSDC

The following decisions made by South Somerset District Council were reported for information.

a) 15/02960/FUL 12 Orchard Vale, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 0EU

The erection of a single storey rear extension (GR 335995/114284) Permission granted.

b) 15/03105/LBC 44 East Street, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 0AW

Replacement window on rear elevation and removal of internal wall (Implemented). (GR 336378/114569)

Permission granted.

c) 15/02592/LBC 6 High Street, Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 9AW

Replacement windows (GR 336027/114721) Permission granted.

P37. Temporary Road Closures

The Town Council had been notified of the temporary road closures relating to Puckington Road and Ditton Street.

• No observations were made by the Committee.

P38. Ilminster No. 1 Tree Preservation Order

The Town Council has been notified of the Order.

Issues discussed during consideration of the item included:

- A copy of the TPO to be given to the Contract Administrator of the Football and Cricket Facility.
- A new application would need to be made for any new trees not included in the TPO. It was noted that once a TPO was in place, application had to be made to the District Council before any work, such as pruning, could be carried out on a tree.
- Once the new Senior Open Spaces Warden is in place, walking the route along the canal to highlight potential new submissions for a new Order, and that the SSDC Tree Officer's advice be sought as to the merit of any potential application.

P39. Naming of new roads in Ilminster

a) This item had been deferred from the previous meeting.

Suggestions for potential road names or themes for names included:

- Charles Moore, renowned in the field of geology
- John Edward Taylor, founder of the Manchester Guardian
- Whaites Road, in memory of Councillor Paul Whaites
- Cryer Close or other name linked to the role of the Town Crier in memory of Jim Old.
- Monmouth rebellion, Field Marshall Harding

It was pointed out that written permission would be required from relatives for streets named after recently deceased individuals.

The meeting closed at 20.25 hrs.

Chair's Signature and Date