

A meeting of the **Planning, Highways and Transport Committee** was held on **14 January 2020** in the Council Chamber, Council offices, North Street, Ilminster, TA19 0DG commencing at 19:30hrs

Present:

Chair: Cllr A Shearman

Committee Members: P Burton, V Higgins, M James, I Mackillop, L Taylor and L Wilcock

In Attendance

Councillors: B Hamilton (District Councillor) S Shepherd

Officers: S Fletcher (Admin Officer) Miss J Norris (Town Clerk)

Prior to the formal business of the meeting commencing, Cllr Hamilton addressed the meeting regarding the options for future local government in Somerset

P311 Apologies for absence

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Swann

P312 Declarations of Interest

No declarations of interest were made in respect of any items on the Agenda.

P313 Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2019 were considered.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 3 December 2019 be confirmed as a correct record.

P314 Office Action Plan

The Office Action Plan relating to the Committee was considered.

- Walk around to assess need for Grit bins needs to take place. To be organised with grounds manager
- Progress on the bus shelter in Orchard Vale. Verity has been dealing with Neil Chapman regarding the laying of concrete. SF to find out from Verity what the progress is with this.
- The Town Clerk stated that letters would be written for distribution to residents living near
- the site of the bus shelter to advise when concrete is being laid

RESOLVED to note the Office Action Plan relating to the Planning, Highways and Transport Committee

P315 Police Report

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Police to report on any matter relevant to policing in Ilminster. There was no written police report nor were any items raised

P316 Planning Applications

(a) 19/03181/COU-Bell Inn High Street Ilminster TA19 9AW

Change of use of Public House (Use Class A4) to residential dwelling (Use Class C3)

Chair Initials/

Issues discussed during consideration of this application included:

- There were few supporting documents within the application to support the change of use. If this application was approved without documentation it would set a precedent.
- There is a need for the applicant to prove that they have attempted to sell the business and keep it as a going concern.
- Has there been any attempt to make this a viable business?
- The fabric of the building needs to be protected
- Potential of loss of employment if the building is changed from a public house

RESOLVED to recommend refusal on the grounds of lack of supporting evidence being provided and inadequate documentation

P317 Planning Decisions made by SSDC

Decisions made by South Somerset District Council (28-11-19-06/01/20) were reported for information.

The meeting closed at 19.57 hrs

Chairs Signature and Date

