



Devizes Town Council

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PLANNING COMMITTEE

You are summonsed to attend a meeting of the Planning Committee at the following, place and date.

Date: 5 January 2009

Time: 7.00pm.

Venue: Council Chamber, Town Hall, St John's Street, Devizes

Enquiries: Town Hall - Tel: 01380 722160

Chairman: Councillor Smith
The Town Mayor (Councillor Leighton)

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| Councillors: | Beinhorn | Mrs Burton | Callow |
| | East | Evans | Mrs Evans |
| | Gagen | Gudgeon | Hopkins |
| | Nash | Parsons | A R Taylor |
| | Mrs Taylor | C S Winchcombe | Mrs Winchcombe |

AGENDA

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 17 December and which have been circulated alongside the agenda.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. DISCLOSURE(S) OF INTEREST

To receive any disclosure(s) of interest by a Councillor or an officer in matters to be considered at this meeting, in accordance with provisions of Sections 94 or 117 of the Local Government Act 1972 or the National Code of Local Government Conduct.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

At the Chairman's discretion, members of the public attending the meeting will be allowed to ask questions, make a statement or address the Council upon a matter of concern to that person which is relevant to the Council. A time limit of 5 minutes per person will be permitted, but this may be extended at the Chairman's discretion and a maximum period of 20 minutes has been allocated by the Council for this item of business.

5. FOR DECISION – WILTSHIRE COUNCIL'S NOTICE OF PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

Details of Planning Applications for Consideration are attached (doc 5/1).

Members wishing to make enquiries about any of the applications listed or inspect plans before the meeting are advised to do so at the Planning Department, Wiltshire Council, Browfort, Bath Road, Devizes.

6. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – WILTSHIRE COUNCIL'S NOTICE OF PLANS GRANTED OR REFUSED

Attached (doc 6/1) a list of plans granted, refused or withdrawn.

7. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – INTERIM CHANGE TO THE PLANNING SCHEME OF DELEGATION TO OFFICERS

The service review is ongoing and will almost certainly result in a number of improvements to the way the service is delivered early in the New Year. In the meantime, it is clear that there is a strong and immediate desire on the part of some Parish and Town Councils to remove some of the restrictions on the types of planning application which Wiltshire Council Division Members can 'call in' for committee determination.

(At the present time, section "b." of the previously circulated Development Control Scheme of Delegation precludes Listed Building, Conservation Area and Advertisement consent applications from being called in for committee consideration by Division Members.)

In the light of these concerns, and without prejudice to the outcome of the review, it has been agreed with Councillor Brady, Portfolio Holder for the Development Service, that between now and the end of the review, planning officers will decline to determine these categories of application under their delegated powers where Division Members have expressed a desire for an application to be determined by committee. When this happens, the application will appear on a planning committee agenda.

Parish and Town Councils concerned about an application falling within these categories can now approach their Division Member to discuss the case and a possible 'call in'. Division Members in turn are now able to ensure these applications proceed to committee for determination.

8. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – BUS STOP CLEARWAY, DEVIZES SCHOOL

Wiltshire Council have advised that they intend to install a bus stop clearway outside the entrance to Devizes School following complaints that people are parking on the double yellow lines. The area will continue to be monitored by Wiltshire Council enforcement officers.

9. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – APPEAL BY MR PATRICK D'SOUZA, E/09/0510/OUT

Mr P D'Souza of 1 Longfields Walk, Devizes, SN10 5BB has lodged an appeal against Wiltshire Council's decision not to allow the application for the erection of 1 dwelling and the forming of new access at 1 Longfields Walk, Devizes, SN10 5BB, this committee objected to the application.

10. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – APPEAL DECISION – K/059814/F, 2 LANSDOWNE GROVE, DEVIZES, SN10 1NZ

The appeal by Mr Victor Soper against Kennet District Council for the erection of a double garage has been dismissed by the Planning Inspectorate. This committee objected to the application.

11. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – APPEAL DECISION – E/09/0598 – FORMER SPITALCROFT ALLOTMENT SITE, LONDON ROAD, DEVIZES

The appeal by Crest Nicholson (SW) Ltd against Wiltshire Council for the erection of forty dwellings, associated car parking, private amenity space, public open space and landscape works at the former Spitalcroft allotment site, London Road, Devizes, SN10 2DR has been allowed by the Planning Inspectorate. This committee objected to the application.

12. QUESTION TIME

Members will be allowed a short period in which to put questions on matters within the remit of this Committee which are not contained in the reports of matters formally considered by the Committee at this meeting. The question may be answered at the meeting or may be referred back to the Committee at a later date. The question may not be the subject of any further details.

TOWN CLERK