



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: 19 September 2017

Time: 7.00pm.

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

Enquiries: Town Hall - Tel: 01380 722160

Mayor: Councillor Carter

Chairman: Councillor Geddes

Councillors:	Mrs Bridewell	Mrs Burton	Corbett
	Evans	Mrs Evans	Giraud-Saunders
	Godwin	Greenwood	Hopkins
	Johnson	Nash	Parsons
	Mrs Rose	Rowland	Mrs Shaw
	Stevens	Ms Von Berg	Wooldridge

AGENDA

1. MINUTES

To approve as a correct record and authorise the Chairman to sign the minutes of the meeting held on 5 September 2017 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. 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 on line at Wiltshire Council.

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Attached (doc 6/1) a list of plans granted, refused or withdrawn.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 – TRAFFIC ISSUES BETWEEN AVON TERRACE AND ROTHERSTONE

Earlier in the year it was agreed that Devizes Town Council would facilitate a meeting between the residents of Rotherstone, Avon Terrace, Coulston Road and Shepphard Close and the Chairman of the Community Area Traffic Group Close, to determine how to progress a mutually agreeable solution to traffic issues in the area. This meeting took place on 7 September and was well attended by residents.

The conclusion of the meeting was that a consultation should be undertaken of all residents listed in the above paragraph to determine if a clear majority would support the closure of one end of the road.

The agreed question asked is as follows.

I support proposal
I do not support proposal
I conditionally support the proposal
<i>If conditional please list what you would like included within the scheme including an alternative location for the barriers.</i>
<i>Please provide your street name</i>

Consultation questionnaires will be sent out on Friday 15 September and residents have been asked to return them by Friday the 29 September. It was agreed that initially the result from the consultation exercise should be made up of at least 50% of residents surveyed and if this was not initially achieved it should be followed up by door to door canvassing and members of North Ward will be asked to support this work.

Once the responses have been received the committee will be asked to formally consider the issues, in the knowledge of residents' views, and if appropriate may recommend to the Community area Traffic Group that Rotherstone stops being a through road.

8. REPORT FOR INFORMATION – A342 DEVIZES TO STERT

Wiltshire Council, have informed the Town Council of footway improvement works programmed to take place along the A342 Devizes to Stert.

These works involve excavation and resurfacing of the existing footway with new material.

The works are provisionally programmed to commence on Monday 18th September 2017 for approximately 3 weeks.

Access will be maintained for all frontages, although due to the nature of the works minor disruption is inevitable. We request that residents do not park on the carriageway adjacent to the footway where work is being undertaken during day time hours as this will prevent the work from being completed.

9. REPORT FOR DECISION – PARKING IN AVON TERRACE

Recommendation

The committee considers a request by residents of Avon Terrace to commence consultation to determine if there is support for a residential parking scheme in Avon Terrace, Coulston Road and Sheppard Close.

Purpose of the Report

To determine if the Town Council should consult with residents of Avon Terrace, Coulston Road and Sheppard Close about residential parking in the area.

Background

At a recent meeting with residents to review “rat running” issues between Avon Terrace and Rotherstone, people living in Avon Terrace expressed their frustration at the difficulty they have in parking in the evening when they return from work and during the day.

Before any request for residential parking can be considered by the Community Area Traffic Group, they need to be assured that the majority of residents impacted by any scheme would support it and as well as the Town or Parish council.

If members agree that this area is, in principle, suitable for some form of residential parking scheme, the process is commenced by seeking residents’ views.

The area needs to include Avon Terrace, Coulston Road and Sheppard Close as any changes in one of these areas will have a significant impact on the other areas.

Options Considered

The committee needs to decide if they wish to consult with the residents of Avon Terrace, Coulston Road and Sheppard Close to determine if there is any support for a residential parking scheme.

Implications and Risks

Financial and Resource Implications

Whilst the Council will need to undertake this consultation using its own resources, the implications are quite small.

Legal Implications and Legislative Powers

The Council will be considering this matter under its General Power of Competence.

Environmental Implications

Officers are unaware of any environmental implication for the Council associated with this decision.

Risk Assessment

Officers are unaware of any risk implication for the Council associated with this decision.

Crime and Disorder

Officers are not aware of any issues the Council should consider under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder act 1998.

10. QUESTION TIME

A short time is allowed at the discretion of the Chairman for councillors to ask questions on matters which are not on the current agenda but which are related to matters which have been previously discussed on an agenda relevant to the committee.

At least 24 hours' notice must be given to officers of the intended question. All other matters should be raised on an agenda and the request should be submitted through the Deputy Town Clerk.

ADMIN AND FINANCE MANAGER