

TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting of the Town Planning Committee held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Flint, on Monday the 13th March, 2017.

PRESENT: Deputy Town Mayor, Councillor Mrs. V. Perfect.
Councillor J. Johnson (in the Chair).

Councillors: L.A. Aldridge, O.B.E., D.L. Cox, J.P.,
P. Cunningham, the Reverend B. Harvey,
M.W. Moore, Mrs. M. Perfect, N. Schofield.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: The Town Mayor, Councillor I.B. Roberts.
Councillors: M/s. L. Francis, G.F. Conway,
G.T. Jones, Mrs. L. Jones, S. Jones, T. Renshaw,
N. Williams.

IN ATTENDANCE: J.A. Loveridge, Town Clerk.
Mrs. S.C. Williams, P.A. to the Clerk.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST – MEMBERS CODE OF CONDUCT:

There were no declarations of interest.

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MINUTES:

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the meeting held on
Monday the 9th January, 2017, be confirmed as a correct
Record and signed by the Chairman, Councillor J. Johnson.

142.

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ISSUES IN THE TOWN:

Councillor L.A.Aldridge said that he wished to raise two longstanding issues and to seek action from the County Council to address them. The first issue was the Allt Gocch , he had lost count of the number of times that the Town Council had raised this issue and of the variety of solutions that had been proposed over the years only for each one to be abandoned either due to the impossibility of widening the road or the danger of encouraging even greater speeding on the narrow road .The last round of promised action had only been partly implemented but he doubted that they would have worked even if fully implemented as one bollard had been spirited away by 3rd parties! He suggested that a rumble strip on the approach near to St David's close together with large SLOW signs may

be a solution. Members considered this and the reasons why the other proposals had failed and it was suggested that interactive signs might be a solution as speed was the greatest problem according to the County Council. His second item was again a longstanding issue but one that was getting worse which was the absence of a footpath at the side of the Pavilion on the retail park. He accepted that the original plans had not made provision for one and that pedestrians were supposed to cross to the opposite footway via crossings to access the lower portion of the retail park from the Pavilion. That was all very well but it was not working, people were walking in the carriage way and there was a danger to Health and Safety. He suggested that with proposed expansion of the park the time was now right to approach both the County Council and the owners of the park to request that a footpath be provided. After further discussion it was:-

RESOLVED:

That the Town Clerk do write to the County council seeking the Rumble strip and signage on the Allt Goch and that he do write to both the County Council and the owners of the Retail Park seeking the provision of a footway adjacent to the Pavilion.

143.

PLANNING APPLICATION TO DEVELOP A HOUSEHOLD RE-CYCLING CENTRE AT OAKENHOLT:

Plan No: 056547
Proposal: Household re-cycling centre
Location: Chester Road, Oakenholt, Flint.

The detailed Planning application and all supporting reports, studies and other documents were laid out for consideration. The Town Clerk reminded members of their pre application consultation response and advised that according to the documentation each of the issues raised by the Council had been addressed and answered although it was not immediately clear from the wealth of papers available where or how this had been done. Members were dismayed at the number and detailed nature of the reports/studies presented and felt that they needed a presentation from officers about the detail of the proposals particularly in relation to the issues of traffic and site management and environmental impact. Members therefore wished to defer the item until such a presentation could take place. The Town Clerk advised members that the item was listed for decision by the County on the 22nd and that to defer may lose the Town the opportunity to comment. Members felt strongly that they were not experts and therefore needed advice before they would be in a position to make a judgement upon such complex issues particularly when the area was known for traffic issues. After further discussion it was suggested that the Town Clerk should be

authorised to respond to the application for the 22nd if that proved necessary to preserve the Town Council's ability to respond with or without a presentation and it was.

RESOLVED:-

That the application be deferred until a presentation of the detail of the scheme can be made to the Town Council and that the Town Clerk do seek such presentation as matter of urgency ,

AND

The Town Clerk be authorised to act in consultation with the Chair of committee and/or the Town Mayor to provide any necessary response to the County Council to preserve the Town Council's rights whether or not any presentations had been made

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

1. Plan No: 056504
Proposal: Change of use from 1 no. dwelling to 6 bed house of multiple occupation.
Location: 1 Corporation Street, Flint.
2. Plan No: 056531
Proposal: Demolition of garage and erection of single storey side extension.
Location: 1 Bryn Road, Flint.
3. Plan No: 056577
Proposal: Erection of single storey side extension and erection of porch to Front of dwelling.
Location: 56 Ffordd Llewelyn, Flint.
4. Plan No: 056625
Proposal: Siting of 3 glamping pods and storage shed.
Location: Leadbrook Farm, Leadbrook Drive, Flint.

RESOLVED:

That there be no objections to planning applications