

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Committee of  
Wrington Parish Council  
held in the John Locke Room on Tuesday 12 December 2017**

<b>Present:</b>	Mr B Taylor (Chair)	Mr D Glynn
	Mrs J Fowler	Mrs P Ledbury
	Mrs D Yamanaka (to item 8)	Mrs D Robertson
	Ms J Bishop (Assistant Clerk)	

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**1 Apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllrs Simpson and Bigg.

**2 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3 Public Participation**

There were no members of the public present.

**4 Minutes of the previous meeting**

The Minutes of the meeting held 21 November were reviewed and adopted as a true record. There were no matters arising.

**5 NSC Planning and Regulatory Committee**

There were no items of direct relevance to Wrington on the agenda for the meeting to be held on 13 December apart from the outcome of appeal APP/D0121/W/16/3166147 (16/P1291/O - Land at Cox's Green, Wrington) which had been allowed by the Planning Inspector.

**6 Decision Notices issued by NSC**

See item 5 above. This was noted.

**7 Planning Applications**

A list of planning applications had been circulated prior to the meeting.

**Application 17/P/5105/FUL - Land to the west of A38, adjacent to Bristol Airport, Felton, Wrington**

It was noted the site is in Green Belt and not within the operational boundary of the airport. The Council agreed to object to the proposal:-

- Although stated as for security purposes, the Council feels inadequate justification for the proposal has been provided.
- The 3m fence will have a negative impact on the openness of the Green Belt.
- The site is outside the operational boundary of the airport and the Council is concerned the proposal will make agricultural use of the field impossible and would result in the land being enclosed within the airport boundary.
- The Ecological Appraisal acknowledges the hedges to be removed are 'important' and/or 'old' as well as a foraging area for bats. Any replacement

hedges will take many years to reach maturity which affect bats and must cause further ecological impacts.

- The Planning Statement cites policy DM50 which refers to the Green Belt inset. However, this field is not in the inset so this point appears to be irrelevant.
- Given the above, Councillors feel that the fence should be sited so that the existing hedgerow can be left intact. Any replacement hedging should be well established. This application should not lead to the reclassification of the field for airport use or for inclusion within the operational boundary.

## 8 Other Planning Issues

- **West of England Local Authorities - West of England Joint Spatial Plan / North Somerset Local Plan 2036 - Generating Ideas**  
It was noted that these were separate but linked consultations. Cllr Taylor urged Councillors to read the documents and submit any comment to him by 5 January to enable Cllrs Glynn and himself to prepare a response.
- **Bristol Airport – Preparing a new Master Plan**  
It was agreed Councillors would send any comments to Cllr Taylor by 19 January to enable Cllrs Glynn and himself to prepare a response.

*Cllr Yamanaka left the meeting.*

- **NSC - Enforcement Report**  
This was noted.

The Meeting was closed at 6.50pm

**Chairman**