Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning Committee of Wrington Parish Council held in the John Locke Room on Tuesday 1 April 2014

Present: Mr B Taylor (Chairman) Mr D Glynn

Mr J Rawlins Mrs P Ledbury

Mr P Robinson Ms J Bishop (Assistant Clerk)

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Yamanaka, Cllr Howells and Cllr Bigg.

2 Declarations of Interest

Cllr Rawlins declared a personal interest in relation to application 14/P/0539/F (The Spinney, Ladywell, Wrington, BS40 5LT) as the applicant is a neighbour. Cllr Taylor declared a personal interest in relation to application 14/P/0589/WT (The Court House, The Triangle, Wrington, BS40 5LB) as the applicant is a neighbour.

3 Public Participation

There were no members of the public present.

4 Minutes of the previous meeting

The Minutes of the meeting held 11 March 2014 were reviewed and adopted as a true record.

Matters arising:

It was noted that the hearing for Appeal APP/D0121/A/14/2212178 (against NSC's failure to issue a decision on 13/P/2022/F for the erection of 4 dwellings following demolition of existing surgery building at The Surgery, Station Road, Wrington, BS40 5NG) would be held at 10.00am, 2 April at The Campus, Weston-super-Mare.

5 NSC Central Area Planning Committee

There were no minutes or papers to be reviewed.

6 Decision Notices issued by NSC

A list of Decision Notices had been circulated prior to the meeting and these were noted. In summary:-

- 14/P/0130/TPO West Barn, Westhay Road, Wrington, BS40 5NP Approved.
- 14/P/0225/F Long Orchard, Bullhouse Lane, Wrington, BS40 5NY
 Refused
- 14/P/0478/PAI Bristol Airport, Fire Training Ground, North Side Road, Bristol, BS48 3DY – Approved.

In relation to 14/P/0368/WT (Long Orchard, Bullhouse Lane, Wrington, BS40 5NY), it was noted NSC had placed a TPO on the Cypress (T1), however the remainder of Application 14/P/0368/WT was still to be decided.

7 Planning Applications

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

Councillors discussed a letter from Richard Kent (Head of Development Management, NSC) in relation to the proposed paperless procedure for sending details of planning applications to Parish and Town Councils with effect from 1 April 2014. It was agreed to continue to challenge this move as it was felt to be unsuitable for this Council. However, in the interim, it was also agreed that the Assistant Clerk would forward the weekly list of planning applications, issued by NSC, to all Councillors to give them more time to study the details of applications.

Application 14/P/0534/LDE - Willis's Batch, Brockley Combe Rd, Backwell, BS48 3DF

It was agreed the Council had no comment to make on this application.

Application 14/P/0539/F - The Spinney, Ladywell, Wrington, BS40 5LT It was agreed the Council had no comment to make on this application.

Application 14/P/0560/F - Meeting House Farm, Long Lane, Wrington, BS40 5SP

It was agreed the Council had no objection in principle to the proposed development but would like clarification on drainage details. It was also agreed to recommend that NSC should remind the applicant that a licence may be required from the Forestry Commission before any tree felling is undertaken and that the applicant should bear in mind the closeness of designated wildlife sites.

Application 14/P/0583/WT - Wrington Primary School, Playing Field off School Rd, Wrington, BS40 5NA

It was agreed the Council objected to the application. Members felt the proposed coppicing was too drastic and would prefer to see a maximum height of 2m specified. Furthermore, the Council would like the applicant to bear in mind the season and the need to set a good example to school children.

Application 14/P/0589/WT – The Court House, The Triangle, Wrington, BS40 5LB

It was agreed the Council had no objection in principle to the proposed tree works but would like to make the following points:-

- It would have been helpful if the applicant had given reasons for the necessity of the work.
- The Council would like to recommend replacement trees are planted in order to maintain amenity value and bio-diversity.
- Finally, bearing in mind the time of year, a survey of bio-diversity should be conditioned prior to work commencing.

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8 Other Planning Issues

 NSC consultation on Supplementary Planning Document for wind turbine developments

It was agreed the Chairman would prepare a draft response for circulation to Councillors for further comment.

 YMCA West Coast's proposal to develop Barley Wood – update on meeting held by NSC on 20 March 2014

It was noted that the proposal had been withdrawn following another party making an offer on the property. No further details were available.

The Meeting was closed at 7.05pm.

Chairman

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