

HAYDON WICK PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee of Haydon Wick Parish Council held on Tuesday 17th January 2023 at 7.00pm in the Parish Council Offices, Thames Avenue, Swindon, SN25 1QQ.

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS: Councillors A John (Chairman), J Fuller (Vice Chair), E Baker Lee, L Brown, R Hailstone, V Manro, R Ross and A Roupelis

OFFICER: Deputy Clerk & Services Manager, Laura Cutter

PH 088 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received Councillors S Fateru and L Rhys-Jones (Work Commitments).

PH 089 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

PH 090 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There were three members of the public present. One asked a question:

Government Planning – How well does the Committee feel it has been informed on Government proposals, for both now and in the future? Has Swindon Borough Council done enough? *The Chairman advised that the Parish Council is rarely kept informed, although planning training was provided by Swindon Borough Council (SBC) at the end of last year. Members felt that Swindon Borough Council has treated parish councils with disdain. The Deputy Clerk confirmed they receive updates from SBC Clerks Forum & Chairs/Clerks meetings, NALC/WALC Branch Meetings and SLCC updates. All information is cascaded down to the Planning & Highways Committee.*

The other two members of public are residents of Jason Close and have concerns over Agenda Item 7.2 – 6 Jason Close – Erection of detached single storey building for use as a Dog Grooming Shed in their garden. Provided highlights of concerns, especially around the social use of their garden and the impact that this would have on their day to day life. Various submissions have been made to Swindon Borough Council and Haydon Wick Parish Council. Their objections cite concerns including increased noise pollution from dogs and vehicles, car parking concerns, an industrial dryer which could be noisy for up to two hours per day and concerns over the drainage. One of the residents also has a fear of dogs. The development is quite closed in and not designed for commercial use. The members of public were asked if they are aware of any other concern from residents, but at this stage it is unknown, and others are not directly affected. The members of public were also asked how many allocated spaces are in the courtyard area and acknowledged the area can become quite crowded.

The Chairman thanked the members of public for attending the meeting and confirmed that the comments will be considered during reviewing the planning application later in the meeting.

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CHAIRMANS ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman wished the Committee a Happy New Year and looks forward to a productive and exciting year.

Thames Water – Reoccurring issues to cover the maintenance issues and the prevent floodings, there is a drop in session at Tawny Owl pub tomorrow which he will be attending. *Councillor V Manro gave an update in his SBC Ward Councillor capacity, that Thames Water has a plan in place for remedial works and will be discussing with residents at the drop in centre. Works are ready to take place, capital funding is secured, and estimated completion date is in November 2023. The plan was already in place for 2025 but this has been brought forward. The plan is to tunnel under Thamesdown Drive and Purton Road so this shouldn't cause any issues to road users.* Members also raised that there is burst water main on Thames Avenue and Pond Street which are due for upgrades as have been services Haydon Wick for circa 50 years.

Rerouted Bus Service – Recently passed on some enquiries from residents about the rerouted bus service to the Priory Vale Ward Councillors. *Councillor V Manro advised that Highways Officers are conducting a highways assessment on Thursday Street and Friday Street and are considering double yellow lines down one side of each street to mitigate against parking in the area. Footage of residents driving along the footpath has been submitted which is unsafe and a risk of pedestrians, so Swindon Borough Council is keen to resolve before this becomes an issue like Redhouse Way.*

Ventnor Close Grounds Maintenance Depot Temporary Relocation Application – Submitted today and will be reported at a future Planning & Highways Committee. The Council will simply Note the application.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Members reviewed the minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on Tuesday 6th December 2022 and agreed they were a true record.

Proposed: Councillor J Fuller

Seconded: Councillor L Brown

Vote: Agreed with (2) abstentions.

RESOLVED: Members confirmed as a true record the minutes with amendments of meetings held on Tuesday 6th December 2022 and the Chairman signed.

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PROPOSED BASE STATION INSTALLATION UPGRADE PRE-CONSULTATION AT CORNERSTONE 12852323

Members noted the pre-consultation regarding a proposed base station installation upgrade at Thamesdown Drive/Purton Road Junction, comments for deadline 20th January 2023. This was brought to Committee in November 2022 where Members agreed that this is covered by Permitted Development and therefore, the Parish Council has no need to make comment. The position of the mast is in the best location possible, away from residential properties and necessary upgrades ensure optimum signal requirements.

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PH 093**PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee considered the following applications:

PH 093.1

S/22/0653 APPEAL	8 Woodhall Drive, Woodhall Park, SN2 2RA	Change of use of public open space to domestic garden.
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HWPC Comments: **No objection.**

PH 093.2

S/22/1644	6 Jason Close, Oakhurst, SN25 2NE	Erection of detached single storey building for use as a Dog Grooming Parlour.
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HWPC Comments: Objection with additional comments. The Committee does not wish to call this into the SBC Planning & Highways Committee. Members had sympathy with issues the residents raised, however, some examples were not material considerations and would not be considered by SBC's Planning Officers. However, the Council agrees with the Highways Officer's comment who declined this application on basis of vehicle movements and unsafe roads. Noise and pollution concerns are for Environmental Health to investigate, and it has asked some more questions. Industrial strength motor in a residential area is a cause for concern and should be investigated as Noise Exposure is a planning consideration as per the Government's guidelines.

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S/22/1731	Land adjacent to 9 Mariner Road, Oakhurst, SN25 2HP	Erection of 1 dwelling- removal of condition 4 (construction method statement) and erection of a dormer and change of use of garage to games room.
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HWPC Comments: No objection. The dwelling has already been considered by the Committee and has been built. The Parish Council is not required to comment.

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S/22/1774	14 Churchfield, Haydon Wick, SN25 1HY	Change of user from 1 no. dwelling to a home for 5 no. looked after young person (Class C2) and erection of a dormer and change of use of garage to games room.
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HWPC Comments: No objection with additional comments. The dwelling has seven bedrooms for residents and carers. The Parish Council would like to request that there is a condition regarding the parking, to confine to only use three spaces allocated within the plans.

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S/HOU/22/1708	4 Severn Avenue, Haydon Wick, SN25 3LH	Erection of a single storey rear extension.
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HWPC Comments: **No objection.**

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S/HOU/22/1733	7 Capesthorpe Drive, Haydon Wick, SN25 1UP	Erection of two side extension and box dormer
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		window to rear roof and roof light to the front roof.
HWPC Comments: No objection.		
PH 093.7	S/HOU/22/1768	3 Tarragon Close, Woodhall Park, SN2 2SG Erection of a single storey front extension and conversion of garage into living accommodation.
HWPC Comments: No objection.		

PH 094**GRANTS, REFUSALS, WITHDRAWALS, LAWFUL DEVELOPMENTS AND PRIOR APPROVALS.**

Members noted the following:

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S/HOU/22/1281	17 Greenwood Grove, Taw Hill, SN25 1BT	Erection of single storey rear extension.	Granted. HWPC Comments: No objection.
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S/HOU/22/1621	11 Southernwood Drive, Woodhall Park, SN2 2RN	Erection of two storey rear extension.	Granted. HWPC Comments: No objection.
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S/HOU/22/1434	4 Greenwood Grove, Taw Hill, SN25 1BT	Conversion of part of garage into habitable space.	Granted. HWPC Comments: No objection.
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PH 095**ENFORCEMENT ISSUES**

Members noted the responses to date from Swindon Borough Council regarding Enforcement Issues raised locally. Members felt the situation is frustrating as it has been over two years, but unable to provide any further comments due to limited staff in the Borough Council's Enforcement Department. This item was raised at a Swindon Local Councils Forum meeting and other parishes agreed that the situation is the same Swindon wide. Members agreed to allow a couple more months for recruitment of a new Enforcement Officer and chase a response again with a timeline for response.

PH 096**ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA**

To be passed to the Chief Officer in readiness for the next meeting due to be held on the 28th February 2023.

- Planning objection process
- Pothole process – address state of potholes
- Road markings – needing repainting

The meeting closed at 19.52.

Chairman _____

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