



**MINUTES OF THE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON
TUESDAY, 3RD JANUARY 2017 AT 5.30 PM IN THE GUILDHALL, BEWDLEY**

PRESENT

Councillor Linda Candlin
Councillor Calne Edginton-White
Councillor Mary Fishwick
Councillor Derek Killingworth (Chair)
Councillor Gordon Yarranton

In attendance:
Nick Farress, Town Clerk
Barbara Byng, Assistant Town Clerk
Two members of the public

7032 Apologies

None, all Members present.

7033 Declarations of Interest

None received.

7034 Dispensations

None received.

Public Question Time

One person request to speak was made. See details at the end of these minutes.

7035 Minutes

The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 5th December 2016 were approved. These were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

7036 16/0655/FULL

Erection of oak framed 3 bay garage/storage building for the parking of 2No. cars and provision of storage and domestic workshop
15 Kidderminster Road
Mr & Mrs McAdam

It was agreed to **defer** this application for the second time pending further information from the Conservation Officer as to the impact of the works upon the remains of an historic underground Ice House at the site

7037 16/0706/FULL Replace two windows and door with UPVC of a different colour frame to existing and repaint French windows different colour
21 Millside Court
Mr A James

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

7038 16/0719/FULL Single storey side and rear extensions with internal alterations, garage conversion and external garden retaining wall
1 Telford Drive
Mr & Mrs Matthews

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

7039 16/0720/LIST Amendments to the internal layout of the scheme approved under 13/0550/LIST
Burltons Almshouses, Park Lane
Trustees of Burltons Almshouses

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

7040 16/0730/ADVE Free standing directional sign for Bewdley Cricket Club (Non-Illuminated)
Land in front of 4 Lower Park Bewdley
Mrs A Combes

It was agreed to recommend **refusal** due to the proposed size, design and layout of the sign and its inappropriate visual impact within a residential part of the Conservation Area. Consideration should be given to a sign more sympathetic to its surroundings, in accordance also with any restrictions County Highways may wish to impose.

7041 16/2058/CR Conditions 6 and 7 of Planning Permission 16/0189/FULL
Hopleys Camp Site, Cleobury Road

Noted (included for information only)

7042 16/3066/PNH Single storey rear extension
2 Wynn Close
Mr S Dryden

Noted (included for information only)

7043 16/3067/PNH Single storey rear extension
Gladderbrook Farm, Heightington
Mr J Poliquin

Noted (included for information only and approval decision received)

7044 Representations

It was decided that no representations will be made to the next Planning Committee meeting relating to any application considered this month.

The ATC was asked to clarify with the Planning Authority when application 16/0550/OUTL (Gladman) will be considered. It is understood that this may now have been put back until their February meeting.

7045 Planning Decisions Update *

- a) The present position on previous applications submitted was noted.
- b) Members noted that the Appeal made to the Planning Inspectorate regarding the erection of a dwelling on land adjacent to The Bungalow, Heightington Road, Ribbesford (App. No. 15/0666/FULL) has been dismissed.
- c) Members were updated with actions outstanding relating to 61 Load Street (Severn Restaurant/Takeaway). The situation will continue to be monitored until it is resolved fully.

7046 WCC Consultation - Worcestershire Minerals Local Plan: Third Stage (including Third Call For Sites) *

It was noted that that the County Council is preparing a new Minerals Local Plan which will be used by them to guide where mineral workings should be developed and to make decisions about future planning applications for mineral extraction and processing in the county.

The Chairman pointed out that responses are required by **8th March 2017** and briefings to outline the plan and ask questions are to be held at **County Hall on Monday, 23rd January 2017 (6-8pm)** and a drop-in session is to be held in **Kidderminster Library on Tuesday, 7th February 2017 (2.30-8pm)**.

7047 DCLG : Government response to the consultation on improving the use of planning conditions

Discussion took place on the Government's response to this consultation, which was generated due to the government's view that too many overly restrictive and unnecessary conditions are routinely attached to planning permissions, with little regard to the additional costs and delays that they impose. Although the government have assured that the ability of local planning authorities to make otherwise unacceptable development acceptable through the use of conditions will not be restricted, concerns were expressed by the Chairman that more and more decision-making on planning applications is being placed on Planning Officers, rather than through Committee, which could be to the detriment of the town.

. The meeting closed at 6.00 pm

Signed.....
Chairman at Planning Committee
6th February, 2017

Public Period

Mr Richard Perrin of **59 Park Lane, Bewdley** raised two matters. Firstly, as a Trustee of the Burltons Almhouses, he clarified the reason for the amendments to the internal layout (application no. 16/0720/LIST) required to comply with current fire regulations. Secondly, as Chairman of Bewdley Civic Society, he drew Members attention to a letter sent by Society to the Planning Authority expressing concerns relating to application 16/0730/ADVE relating to Bewdley Cricket Club's application for a free standing directional sign on land in front of 4 Lower Park Bewdley.