



**BEWDLEY**  
Town Council

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON  
MONDAY, 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2016 AT 6.00PM IN THE GUILDHALL, BEWDLEY**

**PRESENT**

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

In attendance:  
Councillor Roger Coleman  
Councillor Anna Coleman  
Nick Farress, Town Clerk  
Barbara Byng, Assistant Town Clerk  
Ten members of the public

**6946 Apologies**

None. All Members present.

**6947 Declarations of Interest:**

.None.

**6948 Dispensations**

None received.

**Public Question Time**

Three people elected to speak at this meeting. Issues raised are included at the end of these minutes.

**6949 Minutes**

The Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> August 2016 were approved. These were signed as a true record by the Chairman.

**6950 Gladman Developments**

The Chairman pointed out that until a planning application is actually made to the Planning Authority, and passed to this Town Council as consultees, no formal consideration can take place on Gladman's recent announcement that they propose to build 195 houses on land situated off The Lakes Road, Bewdley. The company has already started public consultation, presented their case to the Town Council and also made a request to WFDC for an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening opinion. They have indicated their opinion that the proposed development is not likely to have a significant environmental impact). After due discussion, the Councillors agreed that, based on their local knowledge and the impact this development will have both on Bewdley's heritage landscape and the town, they fully

support the need for an EIA and the Town Clerk was asked to write to the Planning Authority to advise them of this decision.

- 6951 16/0396/TREE** Crown lift, reduce and thin 5x English Yew  
Stonhope House, 56 Richmond Road  
Mr P Ashford

This application was deferred at the last meeting pending clarification from the Arboricultural Officer regarding trees identified as Nos 3 & 4 in the plans submitted. The Assistant Town Clerk advised that work to both these trees has been refused by the Arboricultural Officer.

- 6951 16/0280/FULL** Demolition of existing apartments to provide 16  
new dwelling houses with associated landscaping  
and parking for affordable housing  
43 Springhill Rise  
Oakleaf Commercial Services

Councillors examined the revised plans arising as a result of concerns expressed by residents and Officers in respect of the ridge height of the dwellings, now reduced. While the demolition of the existing apartments is supported, concerns were expressed with regards car parking and the potential for road safety in this area to be comprised as there is no space for overspill cars, e.g. caused by visitors. It was agreed to pass on these concerns to the Planning Authority and Councillor Killingworth said he will make due representation to the next WFDC Planning Committee. The resulting frequency of drop kerbs across the pavement were also highlighted as a concern and it is hoped that this can be managed in a way that does not hinder pedestrian use and in particular mobility scooter users.

- 6952 16/0429/FULL** Installation of a 21.3m timber telecoms monopole  
and associated equipment  
Bewdley Cricket Club, Lower Park  
EE Ltd

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

- 6953 16/0431/FULL &  
16/0432/LIST** Planning Permission for extension of kitchen, which  
is attached to a listed building. For permission of a  
summer house and 8x6 wooden shed  
17 High Street  
Mr J Foley

It was agreed to recommend **refusal** on the grounds that the proposed kitchen extension would compromise the privacy of adjacent properties; there would be loss of light and overshadowing to these adjacent properties, also a reduction in safe access to adjacent properties via the shared, historic, alleyway. The effect on the listed buildings and the designated Conservation Area would also be detrimental.

- 6954 16/0433/LIST** To apply for listed consent to add 2 bathrooms. To  
insulate roof and reroof. Add 2 sky lights. Clean  
all timbers, rewire and add gas central heating.  
Also to renew staircase. Take down 1960 partition

and 1960's inner wall. Add Sky dish  
onto chimney.  
17 High Street  
Mr J Foley

It was agreed to recommend **approval** of the internal improvements to the property, subject to any conditions the Conservation Officer may wish to impose

**6955**      **16/0435/LIST**      Conversion of part of attic space to form bedroom and ensuite shower room  
16 Severnside South  
Mr & Mrs P Hayden

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6956**      **16/0443/FULL**      Demolition of existing garage to side of property. Erection of two storey extension to side and single storey extension to rear of property  
28 Trimpley Lane  
Mr N James

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6957**      **16/0448/TCA**      Fell Leylandii  
6 Lax Lane  
Mrs C Wardle

It was agreed to raise **no objection**, subject to advice from the Arboricultural Officer as to suitable replacement planting

**6958**      **16/0449/TREE**      Trim lower branches of Horse Chestnut overhanging driveway  
18 Threlfall Drive  
Ms W Sutton

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6959**      **16/0452/ADVE**      Replacement internally illuminated and non-illuminated signage  
21 Kidderminster Road  
Food Programme Delivery Orchard

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6960**      **16/0454/TREE**      Fell an Oak, Sycamore, Sweet Chestnut, Beech, 2x Birch, 3xYew and 4x Cypress. Lift crown of Weeping Beech by 3 metres. Reduce the height of Yew Hedge in front garden to 6ft.  
26 Brook Vale  
Mrs J Felthouse

It was agreed to **defer** a decision on this application, pending further discussions and enquiries with the Arboricultural Officer. The committee wished the existing TPO on some of the trees to be explored further.

**6961**      **16/0455/TREE**      Fell Austrian Pine  
13A Lodge Close  
Mr P Carter

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6962**      **16/0458/LIST**      Demolition and removal of existing ground floor chimney breast. Repairs to settlement cracks in existing gable and brickwork. Alteration to existing external yard store building.  
Woodeaves, Pleasant Harbour  
Mr R Heath

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6963**      **16/0477/TREE**      Crown lift 3x Common Lime and 2x Sycamores to 7metres  
3 March Grove  
Mrs C Lewis

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6964**      **16/0481/FULL**      Construction of an education, research and media centre and associated works  
West Midlands Safari Park, Spring Grove  
West Midlands Safari Park

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6965**      **16/0483/TCA**      Pollard Willow and Ash Stand  
27 Severnside Mill, Stourport Road  
Mrs Harwood

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6966**      **16/0484/TCA**      Re-pollard 2 Willows  
28 Severnside Mill, Stourport Road  
Mrs P Holmes

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6967**      **16/0485/TCA**      Pollard stand of Willows  
29 Severnside Mill, Stourport Road  
Mr A Bennett

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

**6968**      **16/0493/FULL**      Single storey side and rear extensions with internal alterations, garage conversion and external garden retaining wall  
1 Telford Drive  
Mr & Mrs Matthews

**6969**      It was agreed to recommend **approval**  
**Felling of trees – Bewdley Parish**

The Chairman reported on a meeting held with WFDC Arboricultural Officer, Alvan Kingston, together with Bewdley Tree Wardens, Gren Jones and Cliff Wilmot. The Assistant Town Clerk has prepared notes on this meeting and, when all required information is to hand, these will be circulated. The aim is to include policy and objectives regarding the long term preservation and maintenance of trees in Bewdley Parish in the Neighbourhood Plan. Councillor Killingworth advised his intention to discuss this matter further with Head Teachers in Bewdley, in order to encourage children to plant trees.

Councillors noted that, in October 2015, works took place to a tree located at 18 Threlfall Drive, Bewdley, without planning permission. The Planning Authority is taking legal action against the neighbour and contractor concerned and a Hearing is to take place on 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2016 at the Magistrates Court, Kidderminster.

**6970**      **Representations**

Councillor Killingworth is to make representation to the Planning Committee in relation to 16/0280/FULL (Springhill Rise development) and 16/0431/FULL & 16/0432/LIST (17 High Street). Previous application has been made for representation in respect of : 16/0189 (Hopleys) and 16/0212 (Long Bank).

**6971**      **Planning Decisions Update**

It was **noted** that: -

**a)** an Appeal relating to Planning Authority refusal of Application **15/0526/FULL** (Proposed construction of 2 bedroom cabin for holiday accommodation (for use 11 months of the year) on land adjacent Oakhouse, St John's Lane, Bewdley) has been **Allowed** by the Planning Inspectorate.

**b)** an Appeal has been made to the Secretary of State in respect of application **15/0666/FULL** (erection of dwelling on land adjacent to The Bungalow, Heightington Road, Ribbesford).

The present position on previous applications submitted was also noted.

*The meeting closed at 7.20 p.m.*

Signed.....  
Chairman at Planning Committee  
3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2016

#### Public Period

**Mr R Stanczyzyn** of **Windyridge, Dry Mill Lane** and **Mr I Machin** of **8 Derwent Drive** gave their reasons for their objections to the Gladman's proposed development off The Lakes Road, Bewdley and Gladman's EIA screening letter. A document was handed to the Town Clerk containing details of the environmental impact.

**Mrs G Davenport** of **18 High Street** reaffirmed the objections of her own, plus neighbouring properties, to the kitchen extension proposed within applications 16/0431 and 16/0432 (17 High Street) – a listed building within the heart of the Conservation Area. A copy of the letter containing details of these has been passed on to the ATC for circulation to the Planning Authority and Conservation Officer.