

**WIRKSWORTH TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Meeting of the Environment & Town Committee**  
**held 7 March 2016**

**ET129/15 Present:** Cllr S Maskrey (Chairman), Cllr A Clamp, Cllr M Edwards, Cllr A Jordan  
Cllr A Pollock, Cllr J Stockell and Cllr J Williams  
In attendance: D Cllr M Ratcliffe, Ken Acons, Noel Mayes, Paul Jennings (Town Clerk), Sue Surgey (Assistant Clerk)

*Meeting started 6:40pm*

**ET130/15 Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Gratton

**ET131/15 Variation in Order of Business:** To take item 13 Support for an Anti Dog-Fouling Campaign after confirmation of the minutes and to combine item 6 Neighbourhood Plan Working Party and item 16 Planning Application referred from Delegated Planning

**ET132/15 Members' Pecuniary Interests in Agenda Items:** None Declared

**ET133/15 Open Forum:**  
D Cllr Mike Ratcliffe provided more background to his request regarding an Anti Dog-Fouling Campaign.  
Members of the Neighbourhood Plan Working Party, Ken Acons and Noel Mayes provided feedback on the implications of the Neighbourhood Plan on the planning applications 16/00045/PDA and 16/00130/LBALT.

*Open Forum Closed 6:55pm*

**ET134/15 Minutes:**

The minutes of the meeting of the Environment & Town Committee dated 1 February 2016 were confirmed as a correct record.

**ET135/15 Support for an Anti Dog-Fouling Campaign**

District Cllr Mike Ratcliffe is leading a community group to tackle the issue and has asked for support from the Town Council

**RECOMM:** That the request for funding of £200 be supported. Cllrs also suggested that the issue be raised in local papers such as Community Fayre.

**ET136/15 Neighbourhood Plan Working Party & Planning Application referred from Delegated Planning:**

**RECOMM:** That the issue of a List of protected sites identified in Neighbourhood plan be discussed at next committee meeting (April).

Planning Applications referred from Delegated Planning:

16/00045/PDA	Change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house (Use Class C3) and associated building operations at Barnhouse Farm, Blunderstone Lane, Longway Bank
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Whilst we understand that the application is being made via Permitted Development, the Town Council would ask that consideration be given to the policies with Wirksworth Neighbourhood Plan, specifically NP 7 (requiring developments to achieve certain energy saving standards) and NP5 (new dwellings be subject to a restriction to ensure their occupation only as a principle residence home)	
16/00130/LBALT	Alterations to form 7 no. flats and 2 no. retail units at Red Lion Hotel Market Place Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4ET
The Town Council have concerns regarding this application. We regret the loss of a community asset which is identified within Wirksworth Neighbourhood Plan. The Town Council do not object to the change of use to residential, but we are objecting to the design and layout of the development which is felt to be of insufficient quality for a historic property in a prime and central location.	

**ET137/15 DDDC Local Plan**

The councillors expressed disappointment that the additional site has been identified in Wirksworth which does not at present link to the Middleton Rd site.

**RECOMM:** The Cllr Clamp and the Clerk compose a response to District Council regarding the issue.

**ET138/15 Complaint regarding access to the Town Council Arch.**

Cllr Pollock provided background to the issue and had invited the trader to speak to the committee to discuss the issue.

**RECOMM:** The matter be noted.

**ET139/15 Town Planting**

The assistant clerk provided a report providing costs and potential locations to site planters.

**RECOMM:** That a budget of £1500 be made available in 2016/17, to allow the planters to be trialled within the town. Cllrs Pollock, Maskrey and Williams meet with the assistant clerk to agree locations and type of planters.

**ET140/15 Ecclesbourne Way Project**

The council welcome the project but require greater detail regarding the project.

**RECOMM:** The clerk invite Derbyshire Wildlife Trust to present to Council regarding the project to allow consideration of the request and to clarify detail of the project.

**ET141/15 Parking on Verge at Yokecliffe Hill**

The Town Council does not have any powers to address the issue.

**RECOMM:** The Town Council approach District Cllr Mike Ratcliffe and County Cllr Irene Ratcliffe to address this issue with Environmental Services and Highways.

**ET142/15 Battle of the Somme Commemoration**

**RECOMM:** That a contribution of £100 be provided by the Town Council. That the invites be issued by Town Council using the same list as the civic service.

**ET143/15 Highways Asset Infrastructure Management Survey**

**RECOMM:** Noted

**ET144/15 Buses Consultation**

**RECOMM:** The Town Council response as “We note that Wirksworth does not appear to be impacted based upon the consultation documents, however we would be greatly concerned should this prove not to be the case”.

**ET145/15 Planning Application Received:**

**RESOLVED** to receive the recent delegated planning decisions of this Council.

1	16/00006/FUL	Single storey rear extension to replace existing conservatory and associated alterations 52 Cromford Road Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4FR
No Comment		
2	T/16/00010/TCA	Works to trees within the conservation area of Wirksworth. Anthony Gell Almshouses 1-4 Church Walk Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4DP
No comment		
3	15/00834/FUL	Replacement windows and doors. 5 Chapel Lane Middleton By Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4NF
Not in our parish		
4	16/00052/CM	erection of a timber gazebo and laying an artificial turf path to tie the structure in to a nearby building - CD3/0116/130 Wirksworth Junior School, Wash Green, Wirksworth
No comment		
5	16/00045/PDA	Change of use of agricultural building to dwelling house (Use Class C3) and associated building operations Barnhouse Farm, Blunderstone Lane, Longway Bank, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4 5HU
Referred to Environment and Town Committee meeting on 7/3/16		
6	T/16/00008/TCA	Works to trees within the conservation area of Bolehill. The Miners Standard 7 The Lanes Bolehill Derbyshire DE4 4GJ
No comment		
7	16/00031/FUL	Erection of external stair Speedwell Mill Millers Green Wirksworth Derbyshire
No Comment		
8	16/00017/FUL	Erection of replacement garage Menmouth Cove Derby Road Wirksworth Derbyshire DE4 4AR

No Comment

**ET146/15 Planning Decisions and Appeals:**

**RESOLVED** to receive the recent planning decisions and appeals.  
(decisions are only to be reported where the Town Council have objected to application.)

1	14/00898/OUT APP/P1045/W/15/3134436	Residential development of up to 5 dwellings (outline) at Longway Bank, Whatstandwell, Derbyshire
	Appeal Dismissed	
2	15/00199/OUT APP/P1045/W/15/3139232	44 Summer Lane, Wirksworth, DE4 4EB
	Appeal Dismissed	

**ET147/15 Road Closure Consultations received:**

**RECOMM:** That the Town Council raise no objection to the closures which are long standing community events.

*The meeting closed at 7.55pm*

Chairman