WELLS CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WELLS TOWN HALL, ON THURSDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2014 at 7.00PM

PRESENT: Cllrs: D Anderson (Chairman); M Brandon; C Briton (The Mayor); T Butt Philip;

A Gibson; N Kennedy; J Parkes; G Wilson (Deputy Mayor)

IN ATTENDANCE: Town Clerk: Felicity White

1 member of the public

14/178P APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

14/179P DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Cllr Butt Philip declared a personal and prejudicial interest in application 2014/2034 and left the room while it was considered.

Cllr Kennedy declared a personal, non-prejudicial, interest in application 2014/2025 as a nearby resident.

14/180P MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 2ND OCTOBER 2014

Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed, seconded, approved and signed.

14/181P MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

None wishing to speak

14/182P PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION:

1 2014/1982/LBC

Projecting hanging sign and fixed wall sign

Coach House Studio 34A Chamberlain Street Wells BA5 2PJ

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

2 2014/1924/HSE

Removal and replacement of existing balcony

3 North Grove Wells Somerset BA5 2TD

RECOMMEND REFUSAL

REASONS:

Inappropriate development not in keeping with the neighbouring properties, detrimental to the appearance of the facade of this block

3 2014/1918/LBC

Alteration to internal office space to form open plan area, meeting space and internal improvements including decorations and new carpet finish.

Wells Cathedral School Office 15 The Liberty Wells BA5 2ST

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

4 2014/1955/HSE

Single storey side extension and new dormer extension on the rear elevation of the main roof.

50A St Cuthbert Avenue Wells Somerset BA5 2JW

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

5 2014/1978/HSE

Two storey extension, front extension and internal alterations.

42 Hawkers Lane Wells Somerset BA5 3JW

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

6 2014/1945/ADV

Replacement MID pole sign. 5.4m high.

Wells Service Station 44 Chamberlain Street Wells Somerset BA5 2PJ

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

7 2014/2033/TCA

Proposed pruning of T1. Hazel and felling of T2. Thuja [replacement planting of small native species tree]

30 Chamberlain Street Wells Somerset BA5 2PJ

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

8 (Cllr Butt Philip left the room)

2014/2034/TCA

Propose felling of a Holly tree and Yew tree in a Conservation Area.

Church of St Thomas St Thomas Street Wells Somerset BA5 2UZ

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

(Cllr Butt Philip returned)

9 2014/1968/HSE

A 3 storey extension on the side elevation and a single story extension to the rear of the property.

14 Mary Road Wells Somerset BA5 2NF

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

10 2014/2025/FUL

Construction of single storey detached dwelling in the garden of 71 Portway, Wells.

71 Portway Wells Somerset BA5 2BJ

RECOMMEND APPROVAL with the condition that the hedge screening the neighbouring property in Durkheim Drive be retained

11 2014/1884/HSE

Removal of garage in the rear garden, construction of two storey extension on the rear elevation and a porch on the front elevation.

57 Bekynton Avenue Wells Somerset BA5 3NG

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

14/183P PERMISSIONS AND REFUSALS DETERMINED BY MENDIP DISTRICT COUNCIL

Noted. Refusals were particularly noted as being in line with City Council recommendations.

14/184P DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITIES

To delegate authority to the Town Clerk in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, to decide any urgent matters arising before the next meeting: Resolved.

14/185P ANY OTHER MATTERS OF REPORT

- Query as to how environmental specifications can be required on new developments. It was agreed the Neighbourhood Plan is a good place for these matters
- ii. Request for an inspection of the drainage grids in the city centre, before bad weather sets in
- iii. The broken sign at Burcott Road bus stop has been repaired by SCC.
- iv. Street light not working at entrance to Union Street car park (Chamberlain Street)
- v. Inspector's Report on the Examination into Mendip District Council's Local Plan Part 1, issued 2nd October 2014

14/186P DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be at 7.00pm on Thursday 6th November 2014