

WELLS CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, WELLS TOWN HALL, ON THURSDAY 6TH JUNE 2019 AT 7.00PM

PRESENT: Cllrs: L Agabani, A l'Anson (Vice-Chairman), N Kennedy, J Osman (Mayor), C Rees, C Wride (Chairman)

IN ATTENDANCE: Acting Town Clerk/RFO: S Luck
Cllrs; P Welch, S Briton
County Councillor, T Munt
2 members of the public

19/72P APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Town Clerk: F White
Cllr J Rust

19/73P DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Cllr Wride declared a personal interest in agenda item 5.4 as a trustee of the Almshouses.

Cllrs Wride, Agabani and Rees declared a personal interest in agenda item 5.5 as they were patients at Rock House Dental surgery.

19/74P MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

To approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 23rd May 2019:
Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed, seconded, approved and signed.

19/75P MEETING OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

One member of the public spoke and raised concerns about the number of new housing developments being agreed and the pressure this was bringing to the local services. Members explained most of the new developments were out of our Parish and level of housing stock was being imposed by central Government.

19/76P PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR CONSIDERATION:

- 1 2019/1149/TEL
The installation of a 15m monopole telecommunications mast supporting 2no. 300mm dishes, with 3no. antennas mounted within a shroud, link AC cabinet, Cobra cabinet and Fredo cabinet.
Communication Station East Somerset Way Wells Somerset
RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- 2 2019/1030/ADV and 2019/1037/LBC
Erection of 3no. Facia signs illuminated.
9-13 High Street Wells Somerset BA5 2AA
RECOMMEND REFUSAL on the grounds that the signs are in a conservation area and should not be internally illuminated.
- 3 2019/1033/HSE
Demolition of existing conservatory and construction of single storey rear extension to form bedroom & shower room.
93 Balch Road Wells BA5 2BX
RECOMMEND APPROVAL
- 4 2019/1085/LBC
Alterations to existing entrance steps.
Llewellyns Almshouses Priest Row Wells BA5 2PZ
RECOMMEND APPROVAL

5 2019/1123/LBC
Proposed change of use of waiting room to a surgery.
81 High Street Wells Somerset BA5 2AQ
RECOMMEND APPROVAL

19/77P WELLS NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr I'Anson spoke about the future of the neighbourhood plan, the work already undertaken and the need for it to be completed.
He explained a commitment from the Council would be needed as it would take time, money and support of other groups.
Members discussed various items including the need for a housing needs survey, also we are awaiting the outcome of the Committee's responses to the MDC Local Plan Part 2 which are due later this year.
It was generally agreed a plan would be useful.
Cllr I'Anson was asked to present a way forward to a future meeting that included aims of the plan, timescales and a draft budget.

19/78P DELEGATED RESPONSIBILITIES

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

19/79P ANY OTHER MATTERS OF URGENT REPORT

Cllr Wride reported public concerns on the size of lorries using Southover delivering to the shops. They are also using Mill street and Guardhouse Lane which are unsuitable for heavy vehicles.
County Councillor Munt agreed to raise the matter with Highways.

19/80P DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7pm, Thursday 20th June 2019