

Minutes of a Meeting of the Planning, Highways and Climate Change Committee held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 15.30 in the Roden Suite, Edinburgh House, New Street, Wem

Present:- Councillors P Broomhall, R Dodd, R Drummond, K Edge, A Everett, P Glover, P Johnson, D Parry, G Soul, E Towers.

Mrs P O'Hagan (Town Clerk).

0 members of the public present.

**1 Election of a Chairman**

**RESOLVED**:- to elect Cllr Soul as Committee Chairman for 2022-23.

**2 To receive apologies and reasons for absence.**

**RESOLVED**:- to receive the following apologies for absence - M Hoffmann, C Granger, M Meakin  
Absent D Hill

**3 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests**

a) To receive any disclosure of pecuniary interest - Members are reminded that they must not participate in the discussion or voting on any matter in which they have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and should leave the room prior to the commencement of the debate.

<b>Councillor</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Dispensation</b>
Cllrs Towers and Broomhall	Twin-hatted members declared a personal interest in any matters relating to the Town Council's relationship with Shropshire Council	Dispensations to allow participation and voting on all matters relating to Shropshire Council
Cllr Soul	Personal interest 22/02335/FUL Coed Hill, Aston Road, Wem, Shropshire, SY4 5JD as lives close to site.	
Cllr Parry	Personal Interest 22/02921/FUL 36 Barleyfields, Wem as knows applicant.	
Cllr Dodd	Personal Interest 22/02631/VAR Westgate, 15 Aston Road as knows applicant.	

b) To consider any applications for Dispensations under s33 of the Localism Act 2011. None received.

- 4 **Public Participation Time** - a period of 15 minutes will be set aside for residents of Wem Town to speak (this may be extended at the discretion of the mayor). –None present.
- 5 **Minutes** - to approve the minutes of the Planning, Highways and Climate Change Committee meeting held on 14.10.21.

**RESOLVED:- that the minutes of the Planning, Highways and Climate Change Committee Meeting held on 14.10.21 be approved as a correct record and they were duly signed by the Committee Chairman.**

- 6 **Planning** - to consider the following applications.  
i) **22/02921/FUL** 36 Barleyfields, Wem, Shropshire, SY4 5LU  
Proposal: Erection of first floor extension and garage conversion to habitable space.

Cllr Parry left the meeting and took no part in discussions.

**RESOLVED:-to support the application as it is in keeping with the surrounding area.**

Cllr Parry returned to the room.

- ii) **22/02792/FUL** 49 High Street, Wem, Shropshire, SY4 5DG  
Proposal: Application under section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the change of use from class E to Sui Generis (Tapas/wine bar).  
A discussion took place on this item and it was

**RESOLVED:- to support the application as it will benefit the night time economy of the town.**

- iii) **22/02631/VAR** Westgate, 15 Aston Road, Wem, Shropshire, SY4 5AZ  
Proposal: Variation of condition 3 (extension of 10 year period) of Planning Permission 12/02328/FUL Erection of building for ancillary accommodation.

Cllr Dodd left the room and took no part in discussions.

**RESOLVED:- to support the application.**

Cllr Dodd returned to the room.

- iv) **22/02335/FUL** Coed Hill, Aston Road, Wem, Shropshire, SY4 5JD  
Proposal: Residential Development of 3no dwellings together with associated external works and drainage – re-consultation.

Cllr Soul left the room and took no part in discussions Cllr Dodd took over chairing the meeting.

**RESOLVED:- to continue to object to the application as the amended plans do not address any of the objections raised by the Town Council.**

Cllr Soul returned to the room.

- v) **22/02880/FUL** 4 Talbot development, High Street, Wem, Shropshire, SY4 5AA

Proposal: Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country and Act 1990 for change of use from a shop to take away.

Cllr Everett entered the meeting at 15.45.

**RESOLVED**:- to support the application as the shop brings an economic benefit to the town.

**7 Climate Change Action plan** – to discuss and review.

A discussion took place and it was agreed that the action plan was in need of a total refresh. The view was expressed that there was a need for the Town Council to identify specific projects it wished to develop in the short term and engage better with the community about the issues around climate change.

**RESOLVED**:- to hold a committee meeting in late August to discuss this matter in more detail.

Meeting ended at 16.00

Chairman.....