

## Melksham Town Council

### Minutes of the Economic Development and Planning Committee meeting held on Tuesday 30th August 2022

**PRESENT:** Councillor G Ellis (Chair)  
Councillor P Aves  
Councillor S Crundell  
Councillor S Rabey

**OFFICERS:** Patsy Clover Deputy Town Clerk  
Christine Hunter Committee Clerk

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** No members of the public or press were present.

#### **285/22 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillors Cooke and Goodhind.

#### **286/22 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **287/22 Minutes**

It was proposed by Councillor Aves, seconded by the Town Mayor, Councillor S Crundell, and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the minutes of 8 August 2022 having previously been circulated, were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair, Councillor Ellis.

#### **288/22 Planning Applications**

The Council had **no objection** to the following planning applications:

[PL/2022/06253](#)

57 ADDISON ROAD, MELKSHAM SN12 8DR

Single storey rear extension to provide a family room/kitchen, utility & garage for a trike motorcycle.

**Consultation deadline:** 14/09/2022

It was proposed by Councillor Aves, seconded by the Town Mayor, Councillor S Crundell and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to support the application

[PL/2022/06070](#)

SOUTHERN ELECTRICITY, 61 SPA ROAD, MELKSHAM SN12 7NU

The installation of an Electric Vehicle Charging Hub with associated infrastructure, boundary fencing, lighting and CCTV,

signage and an extension of existing railings at 61 Spa Road, Melksham.

**Consultation deadline:** 16/09/2022

It was proposed by Councillor Rabey, seconded by the Town Mayor, Councillor S Crundell and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to support the application to include the comments that the Town Council would like to have seen additional charging points to the one proposed, and to suggest that the effect of the proposed lighting on nearby residential properties should be considered.

[PL/2022/06110](#)

22 SHURNHOLD, MELKSHAM SN12 8DG

Extension to the rear of the existing garage to create an annex. New extension to the front of the main house with storm porch. Internal alterations.

**Consultation deadline:** 16/09/2022

It was proposed by Councillor Rabey, seconded by Councillor Aves and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to support the application

LEEKES, BEANACRE ROAD, MELKSHAM SN12 8AG

Application for coffee shop with drive-thru facility with associated car parking and landscaping within the car park of Leekes, Melksham.

It was proposed by the Town Mayor, Councillor S Crundell, seconded by Councillor Rabey and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to support the application with the recommendation that due to the heavy traffic flow on the A350, the current inadequate car park layout be revised to allow better flow of traffic for the whole of the parking area.

## **289/22 Planning Decisions**

The following planning decisions were noted:

[PL/2022/04904](#)

PROPOSED WORKS TO TREES IN A CONSERVATION AREA

3A OAK HATCH PLACE ROAD, MELKSHAM SN12 6JN

T1 – Section fell Magnolia tree to aid nearby shrubs and reduce risk to wall.

**Decision:** No Objection

**MTC Response: Objection to felling the tree but recommended it could be crown lifted after bird nesting time.**

[PL/2022/04946](#)

15 QUEENSWAY, MELKSHAM SN12 7JZ

Single storey front extension.

**Decision:** No Objection

**MTC Response:** No Objection

**290/22 New Premises Licence Application**

The New Premises Licence application for The Good Loaf Café, 13 Avonside Enterprise Park, Melksham SN12 8BT was received.

It was proposed by Councillor Rabey, seconded by Councillor Aves and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to support the application

**291/22 Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG) Issues**

**292/22 LHFIG Membership**

It was proposed by Councillor Ellis, seconded by Councillor Rabey and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to include the election of a representative and substitute representative to the Local Highways and Footpath Improvement Group (LHFIG), on the agenda for the Full Council meeting scheduled for 26 September 2022.

**293/22 LHFIG Notes of Meeting 4 August 2022**

The notes of the LHFIG meeting held on 4 August 2022 were received.

The Town Mayor, Councillor S Crundell, asked for confirmation from the Town Clerk with the that there were sufficient funds in the LHFIG budget to proceed with the agreed works for lighting on St Michael's/Hazelwood Roads (£2,000) and Sandridge Road footway works (£10,000).

**294/22 Delegated Decision - Off Street Parking Traffic Regulation Orders for Wiltshire**

The approval of the County of Wiltshire (Western Wiltshire) (Off Street Parking Places) Order 2022 was noted.

It was proposed by Councillor Ellis, seconded by the Town Mayor, Councillor S Crundell and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to ask the Deputy Town Clerk to remind town residents and businesses of Melksham Town Council's 2-hour parking redemption scheme and to remind Wiltshire Council of their obligations, under the Equality Act 2010, to make

reasonable adjustment by providing parking ticket machines that could be used by disabled people.

**295/22     Sealed Traffic Regulation Order - Off Street Parking Orders 2022**

The Wiltshire Council Traffic Order Regulation notification of parking charges was noted.

It was proposed by Councillor Rabey, seconded by the Town Mayor, Councillor S Crundell, and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** to ask the Deputy Town Clerk to write to Wiltshire Council to:

- express disappointment that the Traffic Order would come into place without indication of their assurance that no charges would be enforced unless parking was being abused by non-users of the Campus, and
- ask for evidence of work undertaken so far to provide validation of abuse of car parking at the Campus.

**296/22     Leasing Disabled Car Parking Spaces from Wiltshire Council**

It was proposed by the Town Mayor, Councillor S Crundell, seconded by Councillor Rabey and

**UNANIMOUSLY RESOLVED** that the agenda item regarding the leasing of disabled car parking spaces from Wiltshire Council be forwarded for consideration at the Full Council meeting scheduled for 26 September 2022.

**297/22     Sparkle Team and Parish Steward**

Councillor Rabey asked whether a tree overhanging the public footpath at 11 Canon Square could be trimmed to ensure the safety of residents. Councillor Ellis replied he was in contact with the owners and would ask for permission to trim the tree.

Councillor Rabey confirmed that she was in ongoing correspondence with Sainsburys asking them to clear paths of weeds near the river, empty overflowing bins and remove a fallen tree.

The Committee Clerk agreed to confirm with the Town Mayor, Councillor S Crundell, when the request for works on the A350 Roundabout had been sent to the Sparkle Team/Parish Steward.

Meeting Closed at: 8.02 pm

Signed: .....

Dated:

