



# Battle Town Council



## MINUTES of a PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING held on Wednesday 11 April 2012 at The Almonry, High Street, Battle at 9.30am

**Present:** Cllr R Jessop - Chairman  
Cllrs: Mrs T Farr, Mrs M Howell, Mrs M Kiloh and A Mitchell.

- 1. Apologies for Absence** – Cllrs R Bye, J Carter, Mrs P Fisher and R Harris.
- 2. Disclosure of Interest** – Cllr Mrs Howell disclosed a personal and prejudicial interest in RR/2012/578 as the applicant.
- 3. Minutes of the previous meeting** held on 28 March 2012. Cllr Mrs Farr proposed approval of the minutes, seconded by Cllr Jessop. This was agreed and they were duly signed.

#### **4. Matters Arising from Previous Meetings**

**A petition** had been received against the use of the **1066 Pub by Costa Coffee**. Although it indicated that the intention was that it be considered at the Committee meeting on 28 March it had not been received until 4 April. The Clerk had alerted the Planning Authority to the petition but since no planning issues arise it was agreed that nothing could be done other than to note it.

#### **5. Correspondence & Communications**

The updated **enforcement cases** list was noted.

The **latest list of decisions** was noted as attached.

The Clerk reported that a response had been received regarding work by the **Village Maintenance Team**. This indicated that the cleaning of the brickwork on the roundabout could not be undertaken as this would require traffic management. However, the request for the work has been noted for consideration by the main contract team at some point in the future. The Village Maintenance Team's work will therefore be restricted to cleaning signs and trimming and strimming around signs.

In the context of considering any potential new items for discussion at the **forthcoming SLR meeting** the Clerk drew attention to the latest suggestions for gateway entrances. In particular, the Battle in Bloom Group had considered the extent to which existing signage could be amalgamated with any new gateways. Cllr Mrs Kiloh explained that the Group felt that it would be difficult to accommodate all existing information without it becoming too cluttered. In order to give the Committee an opportunity to consider the detailed proposals the Clerk was asked to circulate the thoughts of the Battle in Bloom Group with a view to these being discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

A letter had been received from the **District Council** indicating that they are ready to further discuss **potential development sites**, now that the position regarding the Link Road has become clear. They would also be happy to discuss the option of preparing a **Neighbourhood Plan**, though they have emphasised that the onus would be on the Town Council to progress this. The Committee agreed with the suggestion that the same representatives as had been involved in the preparation of the Battle Town Study should attend future meetings with the District Council, and agreed that Cllr Mrs Farr should be added. The Clerk was asked to respond accordingly and to suggest that a first meeting might

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be held immediately following the Planning Committee meeting on 9 May.

Notification had been received of **resurfacing in Powdermill Lane on 28 April for 3 days**. The usual road closure and diversion route will be introduced.

## 6. To Consider Planning Applications Received

**RR/2012/560/P (Del) Netherfield Hill Farm, Netherfield Hill**  
Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of replacement chalet style dwelling.  
**Comments:** No objection to this.

**RR/2012/576/T (Del) 19 Dukes Hill – land adjacent**  
Oak trees 1, 2, 3 and 4 – to be cut back and returned to a more equal and balanced state.  
**Comments:** The Committee noted the reasons advanced for the proposed work but were not persuaded that these made a strong case for granting approval.

*Cllr Mrs Howell repeated her personal and prejudicial interest in the following item and left the room.* However, this left the meeting without a quorum and no discussion of the application therefore took place.

**RR/2012/578/P (Del) Patches, Telham Lane**  
Proposed double garage with link to existing store.

**RR/2012/608/P (Del) 32 Virgins Lane**  
Front and rear extensions. Enlargement and water proofing of detached garage.  
**Comments:** No objection to this.

**RR/2012/613/P (Del) 22 Norman Close**  
Rear conservatory extension.  
**Comments:** No objection to this.

**RR/2012/618/P (Del) Blenheim Croft, Netherfield Road**  
Proposed extension and conservatory to provide additional living accommodation.  
**Comments:** No objection to this.

**RR/2012/665/P (Del) 37 North Trade Road, Banavie**  
Amendment to roof design (previously approved under RR/2012/19/P).  
**Comments:** No objection to this.

## 7. Matters for Information/Future Agenda Items

Cllr Mrs Farr drew attention to the introduction of low level solar lights on the verge adjoining the Squirrel Pub. It was agreed to raise this at SLR.

Cllr Mitchell reminded the Committee of his previous concern about the proliferation and condition of banners relating to Claverham Community College. The Clerk was asked to draw this to the attention of the District Council.

## 8. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday, 25 April 2012

The meeting closed at 10.20am.

Cllr Jessop  
Chairman

