



**MINUTES OF THE WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE PLANNING COMMITTEE**  
**HELD ON 26<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2015 AT 7.30 pm IN THE CIVIC CENTRE**

**PRESENT:** Councillors T Luker (Chair), John Cordwell, N Clement, P Barton, K Collins, N Pinnegar, June Cordwell, A Kendall, R Claydon A Wilkinson, L Farmer, P Smith

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Clerk Ms S Bailey **PUBLIC:** 0

**P.5433** **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** all present

**P.5434** **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** none

**P.5435** **PUBLIC FORUM** none

**P.5436** **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** none

**P.5437** **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 28<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015**

It was proposed by Cllr P Smith, seconded by Cllr L Farmer, voted all in favour to approve the Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 28<sup>th</sup> September as a correct record.

**P.5438** **PLANNING CORRESPONDENCE**

a) SDC Mr R Rios has requested to speak to Council to explain the Neighbourhood Planning Process as the area is designated. Clerk to request that he attends a subsequent Planning Committee meeting.

**P.5439** **POTTERS POND** Parking outside the development site on the main road is now compounded by the fact that the house on the corner is having buildings works. The speed of cars approaching this corner from a hill and a bend will lead to accidents. Parking on the pavements should continue to be reported to 101.

**P.5440** **FULL MOON SITE AND GARAGES** - To confirm September Council meeting request to write to Secretary of State for Environment to protest at SDC's handling of matters with regard to the Full Moon site and adjacent garages, after consideration of visit by SDC officers prior to this meeting, and to consider on what grounds this Council is protesting. In light of the detailed discussions with SDC officers about their request for feedback about the garages site and assurance that the site was not linked to the adjacent development, and that there is a strong possibility of it being retained for parking in some form, it was agreed by Council to await a further development proposal from SDC regarding this site.

**P.5441** **STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL PLANNING DECISIONS.** Following were noted:  
15 Market Street, Consent S.15/1925/LBC - Conversion of one dwelling to two separate dwellings. 2 conditions  
15 Market Street, Permission S.15/1924/FUL - Conversion of one dwelling to two separate dwellings 3 conditions  
68 Parklands, Permission S.15/2043/HHOLD - Erection of extension. 2 conditions  
Studio, 11 Haw Street, Permission S.15/1886/FUL - Conversion of existing workshop into one bedroom studio flat. 3 conditions

**NEW APPLICATIONS:**

**P.5442** **S.15/2305/HHOLD 30 Mount Pleasant, GL12 7JR.** Two single storey front extensions. It was proposed by Cllr P Smith and seconded by Cllr T Luker to support this application voted all in favour.

**P.5443 S.15/2345/TEL Wotton-Under-Edge Community Fire** And Rescue Station, Symn Lane, Telecommunications Notification Installation of 1no. 600mm diameter dish antenna and ancillary works. It was agreed to not make any comment on this application but to note that the correct certification appears to be in place.

**P.5444 S.15/2355/HHOLD 46 Bradley Street** GL12 7AT Single storey extension to rear and side of existing residential property. It was proposed by Cllr R Claydon and seconded by Cllr P Barton to support this application voted all in favour.

**P.5445 S.15/2270/HHOLD 3 Church Walk**, GL12 7NT Proposed loft conversion and rear extension. It was proposed by Cllr R Claydon and seconded by Cllr P Barton to support this application voted 11 in favour with 1 abstention.

**P.5446 S.15/2246/LBC 27 Gloucester Street**, GL12 7DN. Lime render and pointing repairs followed by lime-wash. Details: Front Elevation - Hack off hollow areas of render, especially prevalent around windows, and re-render with a traditional haired NHL2 hydraulic lime render (approx. 30% of total area). Apply a new thin lime render over whole elevation and 3 coats of lime-wash. East Elevation - Repair any hollow areas of render with a mortar similar to present render and decorate to match existing. West End Gable and Rear - Rake out cement pointing and remove as much emulsion paint as possible from stone. Re-point with a "full flush" lime mortar, allow to cure before applying 3-4 coats of lime-wash. It was proposed by Cllr T Luker and seconded by Cllr John Cordwell to support this application voted all in favour.

**P.5447 S.15/2392/HHOLD 15 Wortley Terrace**, Wortley Road, Loft conversion, with dormer. It was proposed by Cllr P Smith and seconded by Cllr T Luker to support this application voted all in favour.

*Cllr P Smith took the chair*

**P.5448 Old Town Toilets** – to note that overnight locking of the toilets will cease by Veolia on 31st October 2015 and to consider options going forward. A people counting system would cost £250 per month to monitor usage. A mechanised door locking quotation quote is £1195. Costs of Veolia's manual locking so far is £270 per annum. After discussion of the various options and budgetary pressures, Council requests that the new caretaker performs this 3 day lock/unlock service as part of their role. It may be that the Veolia cleaner can unlock if cleaning times coincide with unlocking.

*The Following item is dealt with in Closed Session under Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 due to contracts/tendering of a sensitive nature, proposed by Cllr P Smith seconded by Cllr John Cordwell to enter closed session, all agreed.*

**P.5449 CALGS** – To consider update on allotment land in Coombe and whether to consider land purchase options – deferred from October Council meeting. Councillors sent further backing documentation for consideration.

After much discussion of the current provision of 77 allotments by this Council, showing that we are in line with other local authorities in the amount of provision, that we satisfy our statutory duty, and that we currently have a very low waiting list (excluding the Coombe site allotmenters who may wish to go on the waiting list), it can be seen that more research needs to be done to show that a compulsory purchase order should be pursued, since 'need' must be demonstrated and this must be used as a power of last resort. We also have land at Knapp Field which could be utilised. However it is appreciated that the CALGS site also serves as a community facility:

1. It was proposed by Cllr A Wilkinson and seconded by Cllr P Smith to commission a District Valuer to value the site subject to a significant contribution from CALGS to fund it, agreed 8 in favour 3 against. Clerk to contact the Valuation Office for guide price.
2. Council agrees to defer the decision on whether to pursue a compulsory purchase order until after the result of the CALGS bid for the land is known.

*It was proposed by Cllr P Smith and seconded by Cllr A Kendall and agreed by all to re-enter Council session.*

*This completed the business of the Planning Committee at 8.40pm*

Signed .....  
Chairman of the Planning Committee

Date .....