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| CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL |
| **ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE** |
| Minutes of the meeting held virtually (via Zoom) on  4th May 2022 At 6pm |

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| Present: |
|  | Cllr P Exell | (Chair) (Virtually) |
|  | Cllr D Patey | (V Chair) |
|  | Cllr J Yeowell |  |
|  | Cllr M Beale |  |
|  | Cllr J Rodrigues |  |

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| Officers: |  |  |
|  | Andy Reeves | Clerk |
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| Also Present: |  |
| Public Present: | Vicki Barrett |

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| EPX | Apologies |
|  | None Received |

**Public Questions:** Standing Orders were suspended by agreement of the committee for an objection in relation to 38 Hughes Street to be heard. Standing Orders were reinstated before the committee discussed the application.

No questions were received.

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|  | Planning Applications to be examined |

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| EPX | **S/22/0221**  38 Hughes Street  SWINDON SN2 1XA | Erection of a two-storey side/rear and single storey rear extensions, and erection of detached rear garage for storage of an ice cream van. |

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| **Resolved**: | **OBJECTION:** The Parish wish to object to this application due its overbearing impact on neighbouring property, loss of light amenity and privacy due to windows overlooking the adjacent property if they are not obscured glazing. There are also concerns around the possibility of Asbestos being present in the garage/workshop being disturbed during construction alongside the potential removal of trees and hedgerow. If Planning Officers are minded to approve this application; the Parish would suggest that conditions are considered to ensure that no commercial business is conducted from the Garage/Workshop. In addition, the Council supports the ecology officers’ comments that a ecology survey is required. Concerns over shared boundary, works would likely need to be completed by accessing the adjacent property. Adjoining properties have not given permission.  Concerns raised over cantilevered coach house construction with stilt walls. Regular vehicular access increases integrity risk if pillars are struck. |

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| EPXX | S/HOU22/0172  111 May Close  Gorse Hill  Swindon  SN2 1XA | .Erection of a single storey rear extension and porch to front |

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| **Resolved**: | **NO OBJECTION** |

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| EPXX | S/TPO/22/0319  The Old Vicarage  192 Beech Avenue  Pinehurst | Works to tree within BOS-TPO-29-2010 |

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| **Resolved:** | **NO COMMENT:** Unable to comment as no documentation available on planning portal. |

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| EPXX | S/TWC/22/0337 | Work to tree within a conservation area |

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| **Resolved:** | **NO COMMENT** |

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| EPXX | S/PHOU/22/0369  113 Morris Street  Rodbourne  Swindon  SN2 2HS | Prior approval notification for the erection of a single storey rear extension measuring. 3.96m  3.55m height and 2.04m (height to eaves) |

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| **Resolved:** | **NO OBJECTION** |

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| EPXX | S/22/0413 Part of Units 1 and 2  Barnfield Road  Rodbourne  Swindon  SN2 2DJ | Subdivision to create a unit to be used for unrestricted Class E(a) retail use. |

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| **Resolved:** | **NO OBJECTION** |

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| EPXX | S/PHOU/22/0430  4Tenzing Gardens  Penhill  Swindon SN25 3AH | Prior approval notification for the erection of a single storey rear extensions measuring 5.0m (from original rear wall), 3.0m height and 2.8m (height to eaves) |

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| **Resolved:** | **NO OBJECTION** |

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| EPXX | S/LBC/22/0449  Churchward House  Firefly Avenue  Swindon  SN2 2EY | Proposed new opening through an existing internal wall |

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| **Resolved:** | **OBJECTION:** The Parish Council supports the comments of the Conservation Officer to ensure any changes are sympathetic to the existing structure. If the conservation Officer is minded to acknowledge the more detailed plans then the Parish Council will review it’s decision. |

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| EPXX | S/HOU/22/0470  1B Caulfield Road  Gorse Hill  Swindon  SN2 8BS | Erection of a two storey rear extension. |

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| **Resolved:** | **NO OBJECTION** |

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| EPXX | S/HOU/22/0484  7 Tiverton Road  Gorse Hill  Swindon  SN2 1AS | Erection of a single storey side extension. |

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| **Resolved:** | **NO OBJECTION** |

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| EPXX | S/22/0576  13 Rodbourne Road  Rodbourne  Swindon  SN2 2AG | Erection of a first floor side/rear extension and single storey rear extension, plus flue to rear. |

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| **Resolved:** | **NO OBJECTION** |

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| EPXX | S/HOU/22/0608  17 Norman Road  Gorse Hill  Swindon  SN2 1AZ | Erection of a detached garage/workshop. |

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| **Resolved:** | **NO OBJECTION:** provided conditions are added to state that this conversion is used for personal use only. |

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| **EPXX** | **Update on applications previously examined** |
|  | Councillors noted the applications previously examined. |

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| **EPXX** | **Grasscrete earmarked reserve review** |
|  | **RESOLVED:** Councillors will retain the £20,000 EMR for Highway Grasscrete works and seek a meeting with Swindon Borough Council as a matter of urgency. |

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| **EPXX** | **Parking related issues** |
|  | The Clerk provided a visual update on parking and associated safety issues to Westmead Drive (North) within the business park.  Councillors met with West Swindon Parish Council to agree a joint consultation with businesses to determine whether further traffic restrictions such as double yellow lines are required.  Both Councils agreed to issue a consultation to businesses by the end of this month to be presented to the Environment & Planning Committee by June 2022.  **RESOLVED:** That Councillors note the Clerks visual report. |

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| **EPXX** | **Floral** |
|  | No updates due to time of year. The chair wished to remind Councillors that a virement has been agreed from the floral budget to a bailer and litter bins. |

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| **EPXX** | **Tree Planting** |
|  | The clerk reminded Councillors of the email updates relating to the installation of the trees at the Moonrakers crossroads. The clerk confirmed that there are 6 Scots Pine and 2 Silver Birch.  Having consulted with SBC further we have been advised that the species will grow to a height of 40Ft: and may not be suitable for the location or it’s pot.  Therefore it is recommended that we seek alternate species.  Currently 1 ward member supports retaining the existing trees and 1 ward member wishes to have the species reviewed.  **RESOLVED**; That the clerk contacts SBC and asks for the species to be reviewed. If the existing trees are not able to be change the Parish Council will not adopt responsibility for them. In addition the trees have been planted beneath telephone wires and the location will have to be changed. |
| **EPXX** | **Notice Boards** |
|  | The clerk provided a verbal update on the Ferndale notice board. At the E&P meeting held on the 20th April 2022 Councillors resolved to locate the notice board on The Western Flyer.  An offer has been made to the Parish Council to locate the notice board on the shop of the corner of Southbrook Street and Ferndale Road.  **RESOLVED;** That the notice board is installed on the shop west facing wall. A management agreement will be crafted by the Estates Manager to ensure the notice board is kept in good condition. |
| **EPXX** | **CIL/S106 Update** |
|  | The clerk met with the SBC CIL Officer on April 13th2022 an update will be provided to all Parish Councils once a new assistant is recruited later next month. |

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| Meeting Closed : | 19:32 |
| Chair of Committee: | Cllr Paul Exell |
| Date: | 04th May 2022 |