

## **CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL**

### **ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Minutes of the meeting held virtually (via Zoom) on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at 6.00pm

**Present** Cllr P Exell (Chair)  
Cllr D Patey (Vice-Chair)  
Cllr J Yeowell

**Officers** A Reeves (Parish Clerk)  
H Morgan (Minutes)

**Public** None. One member of the public submitted a question ahead of the meeting.

**Public Session** The Parish Clerk read out a statement in relation to the Parish Councils commitment to increasing its accountability to the public and to promoting active citizenship. The Parish Clerk read out a question submitted by Mr Griffin with regards to grounds maintenance at Manor Gardens and the reasons for why the Parish Council were considering consulting on the matter.

Cllr P Exell explained that the grass verges at Manor Gardens were to be discussed later in the meeting at agenda item 7. He went on to state that the Parish Council were following due process by consulting on the matter.

Cllr P Exell spoke of a reference to the Highways Act included in the question submitted by Mr Griffin. It was suggested that the Parish Clerk be asked to legal advice on the matter.

It was suggested that the matter raised by Mr Griffin be addressed by the Leisure & Recreation Committee as it related to the devolvement of a service. The Parish Clerk confirmed that he had spoken with the Chair of the Leisure & Recreation Committee and he was content for the item to be presented at a future meeting.

Cllr P Exell confirmed the different elements and issues re: grass verges and how these are dealt with by the different committees.

Cllr P Exell moved that:

- a) The Parish Clerk seeks legal advice with regards to the Highway Act.
- b) The matter be considered by the Leisure & Recreation Committee.
- c) The Parish Clerk sends an appropriate response to Mr Griffin.

Motion seconded by Cllr D Patey. All agreed.

**RESOLVED** that:

- a) The Parish Clerk seeks legal advice with regards to the Highway Act.
- b) The matter be considered by the Leisure & Recreation Committee.
- c) The Parish Clerk sends an appropriate response to Mr Griffin.

**117** **Apologies**  
None

**118** **Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation**  
Cllr D Patey declared a personal interest in agenda item 3.2.  
Cllr J Yeowell declared a personal interest in agenda item 5.

**119** **Planning Applications to be examined**

- 119.1**      **S/PHOU/20/0875**  
10 Ridgeway Close  
Moredon  
Swindon  
SN2 2LA
- Prior Approval Notification for the erection of a single storey rear extension measuring 3.6m (from original rear wall), 3.7m (maximum height) and 2.3m (height to eaves).
- Cllr P Exell informed Committee Members that whilst the Parish Council were not considered a consultee on Prior Approval Notifications, they were able to comment on the environmental impact of such applications.**
- No comments were made on any environmental impacts.**
- 119.2**      **S/20/0860**  
260 Ferndale Road  
Swindon  
SN2 1HB
- Change of use from Retail (Class A1) to Tattoo Studio (Sui Generis)
- No objection to the change of use.**  
**It was felt that should the application be approved; conditions be applied in relation to limiting noise levels.**
- 119.3**      **S/20/0747**  
Ramsbury House Kembrey  
Business Park  
Upper Stratton  
Swindon  
SN2 8DF
- Installation of 2no. generators, fuel tank and distribution board housing.
- No objection**
- 119.4**      **S/COND/20/0822**  
16 Wembley Street  
Rodbourne  
Swindon  
SN2 1DN
- Discharge of conditions 3,4,6,10,11,13 and 14 following planning permission S/19/1377 for the demolition of existing dwelling and erection of 8no flats and associated works.
- No objection**
- 119.5**      **S/HOU/20/0780**  
80 Churchward Avenue  
Rodbourne Cheney  
Swindon  
SN2 1NH
- Erection of a single storey rear and a first floor side extension.
- No objection**
- 119.6**      **S/VENDOR/20/0901**  
40 The Street  
Moredon  
Swindon  
SN25 3ER
- Retrospective vendor consent for the erection of a single storey rear extension and loft conversion.
- There were no documents available to view at the time of the meeting. The Planning Officer is to be contacted to request any relevant information to be considered.**
- 119.7**      **S/HOU/20/0826**  
156 Pinehurst Road  
Swindon  
SN2 1SJ
- Erection of a single storey rear extension.
- No objection**

**120**      **Update on applications examined previously**  
It was agreed that the update be circulated via email.

Cllr P Exell informed members that there were 3 planning applications previously examined to be re-examined for differing reasons.

S/HOU/19/1012 – 20 Pasture Close

Cllr P Exell explained that the application examined previously had been granted and the works completed. The works were being queried as they appeared to have been carried out outside of the permissions granted.

Cllr P Exell shared pictures of the previous structure and the new structure in addition to the planning application drawings shared on screen.

It was agreed that the Swindon Borough Council Planning Department be contacted and asked whether the permissions granted had been followed, confirm that no infringement on the existing pathway has occurred and query the block paving which obscures the pathway.

S/20/0608 – 13 The Broadway

It was explained that since the application was reviewed in July 2020 some revised drawings had been submitted.

The revised drawings and additional documents were viewed on screen.

All agreed that the comments previously submitted by the Parish Council re: parking and the operation of the highway were still relevant and should be resubmitted to Swindon Borough Council.

S/20/0344 – 479 Cricklade Road

It was explained that since the application was reviewed in July 2020 some revised drawings had been submitted.

The revised drawings and additional documents were viewed on screen.

All agreed that the comments previously submitted by the Parish Council were still relevant and should be resubmitted to Swindon Borough Council.

**121 Morris Street Parking**

Cllr P Exell explained that the Parish Clerk had been asked to look into the possibility of installing signs in the area concerned.

The Parish Clerk explained that it was possible to install yellow signs on lampposts specified distances apart via a TRO.

Cllr P Exell asked whether there was scope to install signs at the end of the road. The Parish Clerk agreed to speak with the relevant Parish and Swindon Borough Council Ward Cllrs regarding signage and to agree the wording and action the installation.

**122 Noticeboards**

It was noted that a noticeboard was still to be placed in Moredon and this was to be followed up with the Estates Manager.

**123 Grass Verges**

Cllr P Exell confirmed that it had been agreed at the beginning of the meeting the matter of grass verges at Manor Gardens be considered by the Leisure & Recreation Committee.

**124 S106 & Funds**

It was confirmed that no further funds had been received and that it was likely funds would be received in October.

**125 Development Brief for Residential Development at Land at Moredon Recreation Ground**

No further updates. The project is reliant on the Moredon Sports Hub development.

**126 SHELAA (Strategic Housing and Economic Land Availability Assessment)**

No further updates. Cllr P Exell asked that the item be omitted from future agendas.

**127 Neighbourhood Plan**

The Parish Clerk explained that he had been looking into the impact of the new housing

legislation on the relevance of Neighbourhood Plans. It was agreed that further investigation takes place.

The Committee were informed that to date 1 planning application had been received for which the consultation end date was before the next scheduled Committee meeting. It was agreed that an interim meeting take place on the 26<sup>th</sup> August 2020.

The meeting closed at approx. 6.52pm

Signed.....

Date.....

Chair of the Environment & Planning Committee