

## CENTRAL SWINDON NORTH PARISH COUNCIL

### ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held virtually (via Zoom) on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 6.00pm

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

Andy Reeves (Parish Clerk) Attended Virtually via Zoom.

**Officers** N. Abrahamson (Meeting Officer)

**Also Present** Cllr M Lucas

**Public** None

**EP030** Apologies  
None

**EP031** Declarations of Interest & Applications for Dispensation  
None

**EP032** Planning Applications to be examined

**EP033** **S/20/0526** Change of use of former telephone exchange (sui generis ) to 7.no apartments (class c3) and associated works  
Former Telephone Exchange, Firefly Avenue  
**RESOLVED:** The Parish wish to object to this application and reiterate the comments made in May and November of 2020.

**EP034** **S/HOU/21/0632** Erection of a single storey rear extension and patio (retrospective)  
164 Whitworth Road, SN25 3BJ  
**RESOLVED:** No Objection

**EP035** **S/HOU/21/0811** Erection of single storey side/rear extension and conversion of a garage into living accommodation  
74 Wheeler Avenue, Stratton St Margaret, SN2 7HN  
**RESOLVED:** No objection

**EP036** **S/HOU/21/0836** Erection of no.1 front dormer window and insertion of window to first floor south elevation (retrospective)  
49 Church Walk South Rodbourne Cheney SN2 2JE  
**NOTE:** The Parish were unable to comment on this application due to its withdrawal from Swindon Borough Council

- EP037**      **S/21/0864**  
Unit 11 Bridgewater Close  
Hawskworth industrial  
estate
- Change of use from class use B2 (general industrial) to class use B8 (storage & distribution)
- RESOLVED:** The Parish wish to object to this application due to concerns around the number of parking spaces being removed and agree with Highways regarding their concerns around the amount of parking spaces that the building will require and would like to see these concerns addressed
- EP038**      **S/21/0874**  
6 Marston Avenue  
Penhill  
SN2 5EN
- Erection of a no.1 dwelling and associated works
- RESOLVED:** The Parish wish to object to this application due to it being an over development of the site, its impact on the neighbouring amenity and concerns over the parking provision for the combined two properties.
- EP039**      **S/HOU/21/0895**  
2 Windrush Road,  
Moreton  
SN25 3BS
- Erection of a single storey side and rear extension
- RESOLVED:** The Parish wish to object to this application due to concerns that it is an overdevelopment of the site, the impact on the amenity of neighbouring house regarding the light into their conservatory and lack of adequate off road parking spaces required by the addition of a fourth bedroom
- EP040**      **S/HOU/21/0903**  
53 Collett Avenue  
Rodbourne Cheney  
SN2 1NQ
- Erection of a two storey side and rear extension.
- RESOLVED:** The Parish Council wish to object to this application due to concerns that this is a large overdevelopment of the site, the impact on the neighbouring house regarding the light into their conservatory and lack of parking to accommodate the fourth bedroom.
- EP041**      **S/PAOTH/21/1104**  
539 Cricklade Road  
SN2 1AH
- Prior approval notification for the change of use from betting office (sui generis) to use class A3 (Restaurants and cafes)
- RESOLVED: The Parish reserve the right to comment on this application at a later date due to insufficient evidence around the proposed plans provided to be able to comment on.**
- EP042**      **Update on applications examined previously**  
The Meeting Officer shared their screen to show members the update on applications examined previously.  
Members queried the outcome of a previous application that was withdrawn but looks as if the works to the property has continued and requested that the meeting officer query this with the Planning department.

**Action :** Meeting officer to write to the Planning Department to query the mentioned application.

**EP043**      **Parking Related Issues**

The Chair informs the members that there has been an issue raised by the residents of Tydeman Street, Gorse Hill, regarding the continual parking on the Verges due to lack of space and have requested permission from Swindon Borough Council to install Grass Crete along the verges to protect them. A recent email received from the resident to inform that permission had been granted.

**EP044**      **Floral & Tree Planting**

Members note: The budget for these items have not yet been novated from the Leisure & Recreation Committee as per the terms of reference and that a formal request to the next Full Council meeting will be made.

The Chair put forward a resolution to formally request to Full Council that the budget line be novated from L&R to E&P, This was seconded by the Vice chair and the vote carried unanimously.

**Action:** To formally request the budget be novated from L&R to E&P at the next Full Council meeting.

Olive Grove : Members discuss the request made by a resident of Olive Grove that has requested that Bulb planting is carried out in the open space across from No.55 and have also requested that Trees are planted within that space.

**Members noted the request from the resident and will arrange a site visit.**

**EP045**      **Grass Verges**

Manor Gardens : This area was not on the original transfer list from Swindon Borough Council. A new Hand mowing schedule has been arranged with Idverde to be cut every 2.5 Weeks at no extra cost. The Parish Clerk has discussed this with the residents who are content with this arrangement.

Combe Road Open Space : A resident that was undergoing building works to their property were using the open space as a holding lot for discarded building materials. The Estates Manager has been dealing with this and had issued a letter of warning on behalf of the Parish Council. The majority of the materials have been moved but some Hardcore remains.

Nightingale Rise – Bates Way: The Parish was contacted by a member of the Nightingale Rise Residents association residents association in Bates Way and had advised us that the builders had been using the green space to migrate building machinery across the Green and causing damage to the ground and Green space. The Clerk informed members that contact had been made with the tenants of the property and the Landlord to inform them of the possible action that would take place should this continue.

Rodbourne Green: A letter had been received from a new Ward Borough Councillor regarding the rotten wooded bollards along the green that stops people driving/parking on the green. The Clerk suggests that a site visit is carried out and a written report in produced at the next meeting.

**Action:** The Clerk is to arrange a site visit and invite all the committee members for this issue to be discussed at the next meeting to be held in August 2021.

Whitworth Road – Olive Grove: A resident of this area had recently installed a large gate to the back of the property which backs onto the open Public Green space. A letter had been sent to the property and the Parish were assured that this gate would not be used as

access. On a recent site inspection carried out it was noticed that there were multiple items of building machinery was seen on site. A second letter was then issued by the Estates Manager and the machinery was swiftly moved. The Green space has recovered organically. The Clerk queried the necessity of installing bollards in this area to prevent this happening again and suggested a site visit with members.

**Action:** The Clerk is to arrange a site visit for himself and members of the committee.

Tydeman Street Grass Verges: The Parish Council advised the resident that they would need to seek permission from Swindon Borough Council to install Grass Crete. Permission was granted.

**S106 & Funds**

No update to discuss. Members noted that the S106&CIL Working Party is due to meet soon to discuss the locations of where the money is allocated too.

A request will be sent out to all Councillors to take part in the Working Party.

The Chair requested that the CIL report is circulated to all members.

**Action:** That the Clerk circulate the CIL report to all members.

**EP046**

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

No update available.

Meeting Closed at 18.58

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Date.....

Chair of the Environment & Planning Committee