

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Planning & Highways committee meeting held on Wednesday 23rd February 2022 in the Jubilee Room, The Pump House

Cllrs present: Boulton (Chair), Bentley, Castle, Smith, Webb, Wise
Officers present: Town Clerk, Town Clerk's Assistant
In Attendance (online): D/Cllr Grant

1/2/22 Apologies

Cllr.Swallow

2/2/22 Minutes of Meeting - Wednesday 26th January 2022

Minutes of the meeting held on **Wednesday 26th January 2022** were AGREED and SIGNED as a correct record.

3/2/22 Declarations of Interest

None

4/2/22 Public Participation Time

None

5/2/22 Members NOTED for information:

- Parking CPE suggestions to be referred to Parking Working Party
- Market restrictions progress: Letter sent to McColl's: no response yet. Request made to OCC on process for changing Traffic Order – awaiting response and will also raise at FATAC
- Replacement of broken bollards in Town Centre will be funded by OCC and installed before pavement resurfacing

6/2/22 Traffic Regulation Notices received and NOTED

1. Temporary Traffic Regulation Notice – S14 Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 Temporary Emergency Road Closure at Buscot, Snowswick Lane. 11 February 2022
2. Coxwell Street traffic lights on 24 February 2022

7/2/22 Members NOTED for information only, Planning Permissions DECIDED

8/2/22 Members NOTED for information only, Planning Permissions OUTSTANDING

9/2/22 Members NOTED for information only, Planning Permissions WITHDRAWN

10/1/22 Members NOTED for information only, Planning Permissions AMENDED

11/2/22 Planning Applications to Vale of White Horse District Council awaiting comments from Faringdon Town Council. Members received and considered the following applications:

- a) P22/V0089/HH (Householder) Proposal: Construction of a dropped kerb to allow parking at property Address: 56 Marlborough Gardens Faringdon SN7 7DP

. It was PROPOSED that Faringdon Town Council make **NO OBJECTIONS** to the application. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

b) P22/V0227/HH (Householder) Proposal: Single storey rear extension. First floor side extension over garage. Internal alterations Address: 24 Westland Road Faringdon SN7 7EY. It was PROPOSED that Faringdon Town Council make **NO OBJECTIONS** to the application. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

c) P21/V3555/HH (Householder) No. 1 - dated 3rd February 2022
Single storey rear extension, loft conversion above garage and front and rear dormers (amended by plan received on 2022-02-03 raising garage roof height by 400mm) 39 Tuckers Road Faringdon SN7 7YQ. It was PROPOSED that Faringdon Town Council make **NO OBJECTIONS** to the application. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

d) P21/V3542/FUL (Full Application) Amendment: No. 1 - dated 3rd February 2022 Proposal: Change of use of Red Lion Public House, to mixed use development of Use Class E on ground floor and Use Class C3 on first, plus associated minor external alterations to window / door positions and external landscaping. (Viability report rec 3 Feb 2022) Address: 3 Cornmarket Faringdon SN7 7HG.

Members re-expressed disappointment at the loss of an historic pub.

It was PROPOSED that Faringdon Town Council make **NO OBJECTIONS** to the amendment, but make a comment that there is an under-estimate of increasing population numbers in Faringdon. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

e) P22/V0316/HH (Householder) Proposal: Demolition of timber garage and proposed erection of single storey side extension. Address: 4 Camden Cottages Radcot Road Faringdon SN7 8EA. It was PROPOSED that Faringdon Town Council make **NO OBJECTIONS** to the application. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

f) P21/V3158/HH (Householder) Amendment: No. 2 - dated 8th February 2022
Proposal: Single storey rear extension; alteration to first floor window; & landscape alterations (as plans corrected red line and amended footprint 15 December 2021 & amended by certificate B received 08 February 2022)
Address: 3 Palmer Road Faringdon SN7 7FR. It was PROPOSED that Faringdon Town Council make **NO OBJECTIONS** to the application. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

12/2/22 Community Assets

Members received an update: both FAZE and the Infant School have been logged as Community Assets. There is a 'triage' system in place followed by the proposal going to the District Council. The Clerk commented that VoWHDC seem to have created a much more complicated system compared to other districts when the Localism Act is meant to make such things much simpler. Cllr Grant will try and find out why it's more complicated through VoWHDC.

13/2/22 Welcome Signs

Members considered where welcome signs should be located. PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that Clerk should research possible costs and then write to Builders Ede to ask for funding for 2 x Welcome signs for top of Coxwell Road and 1 x Welcome sign for London Street.

14/2/22 Road Infrastructure and Traffic Projects

a) Speeding

i. Members received an update ref the 20mph zone. Signs have been ordered. The 20mph zone could be extended in due course.

ii. Members considered the cost of a moveable, light-up speeding sign: This would be SAM (Smiley Activated Sign) which also creates and records traffic data. Cllr Thomas has said that she could contribute the funds for a second sign if the Town Council approve funding of the first one. Members PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED to make recommendation to the Finance and Audit Committee to fund this.

b) Swan Lane traffic issues

Members received a report from the Clerk who had visited Swan Lane with the Highways Officer. Subsequent to this and discussion in the meeting, Members PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED for Clerk to progress a light touch consultation with local residents (on paper and online) on proposal to make a short section of Swan Lane one-way where the lane comes in from the London Street direction.

c) Town Centre Bus Lane

Following Members discussion regarding the dangers of the Town Centre bus lane Members PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that Clerk should contact OCC to progress making the lane at the side of the Old Town Hall into an enforced bus lane.

d) Park Rd Retail Park

Members PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that Clerk should write to landowner about creating pedestrian crossings.

e) Further projects to suggest to County Council via the Traffic

Advisory Committee for possible CIL funding: Members discussed possible projects and PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that Clerk should take the following proposals for CIL funding to FATAC, subsequent to which proposals would go to Highways Officer at OCC:

- i) Bridge over the A420
- ii) Opening up Stanford Road just at the end from the roundabout for access to Folly Park sports facilities.

15/2/22 Complaint - Rogers Concrete - COM 893/1

- a) Members received a recommendation from Full Council to escalate the complaint to stage two, following a response from VWHDC in response to stage one.
- b) Members agreed that Clerk, Cllr Boulton and Cllr Wise would put the evidence together to further the complaint.

16/2/22 Fernham Road Verge

Members considered an update on confusion over ownership of verges and edges of sites specifically regarding connectivity of paths. PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that Clerk should contact Land Registry to find out who owns specific section of verge and contact the landowner, whilst also referring to OCC as they are responsible for transport links.

17/2/22 Updated VoWHDC Planning Enforcement Statement

Members NOTED slides from the recent briefing.

18/1/22 Items for Next Agenda

None

Meeting ended at 8.24pm