

**PORTISHEAD TOWN COUNCIL
PLANNING ADVISORY GROUP
MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2020**

PRESENT:

- In the Chair:** - Councillor Mason
- Councillors:** - Sterndale, Davey, Gardner, Holland,
Shepperdson, Snaden (arrived 7.33pm)
- Assistant Clerk:** - S.Sherborne

Councillor Mason opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and confirmed that there were no fire drills planned and that the meeting was being filmed.

PL833 To receive and accept apologies for absence.
Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Cartwright.

PL834 To receive any declarations of interest and any requests for dispensations

Councillor Davey
Planning Application 19/P/3114/FUH
Acquainted with the occupier

Councillor Mason
Planning Application 20/P/0110/FUH
Acquainted with the applicant

The Chairman changed the order of the meeting.

PL835 To receive a briefing from National Grid in respect to the new lines across the Nature Reserve

A brief update was offered by Matt Wooldridge (Communications and Engagement role) and Bruce Lockyer (Engineer) from National Grid. The Sheepway road will be closed for approximately three weeks with effect from 27th February 2020 to develop construction access, lay ducting in the road and create bell mouths for phase 1 of the works. Matt launched the map on the overhead projector and talked through the location of the new lines. Full details are available on National Grid's website: <https://hinkleyconnection.co.uk/your-area/>

A discussion took place regarding the impact on local highways, particularly in relation to the works on Wyndham Way. It is understood that the local planning authority have requested this stage of the works to be completed before the Easter break.

National Grid:

- confirmed that an Environmental Assessment had been undertaken in terms of the local wildlife (fox/badgers/newts). A further assessment will need to be undertaken when the site is decommissioned to offer wildlife mitigation.
- to keep updating the Friends of Portbury Wharf Nature Reserve of any anticipated footpath closures and to put up posters on site for walkers. It is hoped that the footpaths will remain open to walkers whilst Sheepway is closed.
- to provide the Town Council with details of the net carbon reduction the new lines/system is going to provide.
- to provide the Town Council with contact details of officers undertaking the “sensible monitoring” so that problems can be reported with ease.

Details of the Sheepway road closure will be advertised on the Town Council’s website as will the date for National Grid’s drop-in session, where members of the public will be able to pop in and ask any questions (date TBA).

A discussion took place about National Grid’s Community Matters web page and the potential to offer schools, local charities and organisations funding on application. The Town Council hoped to draw this to the attention of local schools but noted the deadline was 12th February 2020.

<https://www.nationalgrid.com/group/responsibility-and-sustainability/communities>

<http://www.nationalgridfoundation.com/apply-for-a-grant.html>

Councillor Mason thanked both Matt and Bruce for their presentation and looked forward to a further presentation in six months’ time.

PL836

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr Patrick Heaton-Armstrong talked about:

- the West of England Combined Authority (WECA) and its Joint Local Transport Plan 4 (JLTP4) consultation. He felt disappointed with the lack of response made by Portishead residents bearing in mind the problems getting in and out of the town. He understood that WECA will be holding further consultations on bus service, walking and cycling.
- the Portishead Railway Line and the progress of the Development Consent Order (DCO). The consultation on the DCO will close at midnight on 26th February 2020. In his opinion there could be a

greater provision for car parking and shuttle buses bringing travellers to and from the station. He urged the Town Council to liaise closely with MetroWest and North Somerset Council (NSC) to encompass these provisions in the design before it becomes too advanced.

Mrs Lin Morrissey:

- asked if Councillor Gardner had an update from last month's meeting in terms of Portishead Town Football Club's vision. *Councillor Gardner confirmed that no update has yet been offered.*
- confirmed that she had now received an email from the Town Council office in terms of parking standards for permitted development site(s). She asked Councillor Mason to share this information. *Councillor Mason stated that NSC had confirmed that "the councils (NSC) planning policies and requirements only apply if a development requires planning permission. If an extension is permitted development such as a loft conversion the councils parking standards do not apply and cannot be taken into consideration. However, if a further extension application is submitted then NSC will take the number of bedrooms/parking into consideration.*
- Questioned planning application 20/P/0064/FUL. *Councillor Mason confirmed that the application for photovoltaic panels did not relate to the old meeting house, it is for the property that was built in the 1960's.*

Mr William Mullen spoke:

- in relation to the Hinkley Point project and that 23% of domestic homes create CO2 gases.
- about his involvement in the Hinkley Point decommissioning project and design build for remote control centres. His support for nuclear power.
- in support of planning application 20/P/0110/FUH and the difficulties with the current planning system.
- to offer his support as a volunteer for Portishead's Neighbourhood Plan.

PL837

TO APPROVE AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD ON: Wednesday 8th January 2020

RESOLVED

To approve and accept the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 8th January 2020 as a true record providing the question mark at the top of page 3 under application 19/P/2311/FUL is removed. Minutes to be signed after the meeting.

SECTION 1 – TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE PLANNING & REGULATORY COMMITTEE

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

20/P/0022/TPO 6 WOODHILL ROAD, PORTISHEAD, BS20 7ET
G1 - 3x Lime - Remove growth on stems up to first branches

The meeting noted the comments provided by its Tree Warden.

RESOLVED

No objection

19/P/3167/FUH 51 WOODHILL ROAD, PORTISHEAD, BS20 7EY
Two-storey rear extension and balcony with replacement external stairs at ground floor and lower ground floor level.

The meeting noted that there was one comment from a resident in Battery Lane.

RESOLVED

No objection

20/P/0023/FUH CROSSWINDS, KINGS WAY, PORTISHEAD, BS20 8HW

Single storey rear extension to existing house

RESOLVED

No objection

20/P/0044/FUH 1 DOWN CLOSE, PORTISHEAD, BS20 8BX
Two storey side extension

The meeting understood that a similar but smaller application had previously been submitted for the site (19/P/1133/FUH) at which time the Town Council gave its objection. Sightlines were discussed and that three of the nine homes within the road have had similar work done.

RESOLVED

No objection – three houses in the road have had similar work completed.

Councillor Davey abstained from voting.

**19/P/3139/FUL 18 HALLIWELL ROAD, PORTISHEAD, BS20
8JP**

Demolition of existing derelict dwelling and erection of new 5-bedroom detached dwelling with detached double garage and associated site alterations including retaining structures.

The meeting noted the comments made by Mr Mike Johnston a local historian who is providing feedback relating to planning applications. There was an online objection and the meeting viewed various online plans.

RESOLVED

Objects – overdevelopment in mass and height.

20/P/0110/FUH 142 HIGH STREET, PORTISHEAD, BS20 6PY

Demolition of single-storey side extension. Proposed single-storey rear extension.

The meeting noted the comments made by Mr Mike Johnston a local historian who is providing feedback relating to planning applications. The meeting viewed online plans.

RESOLVED

No objection

Councillor Mason abstained from voting.

PL839 TO RECEIVE THE CHAIRMANS REPORT

Councillor Mason reported:

- that an email had been received from David Murphy, NSC Principal Engineer, confirming that the current figure (as at 10.01.20) for the value of works on Wyndham Way is £1.683m – Highways England are providing £1.38m of that funding.
- that planning application 19/P/2992/TPO – Land to rear of Severnscap to pollard Poplar, was refused by NSC.

PL840 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS & CONSULTATIONS

8.1 LATE PLANNING APPLICATIONS & CONSULTATIONS

**20/P/0064/FUL FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE, 11 ST MARYS
ROAD, PORTISHEAD**

Installation of 9no. photovoltaic panels on south roof elevation of curtilage listed building

20/P/0065/LBC FRIENDS MEETING HOUSE, 11 ST MARYS ROAD, PORTISHEAD

Installation of 9no. photovoltaic panels on south roof elevation of curtilage listed building

The meeting considered 20/P/0064/FUL and 20/P/0065/FUL at the same time.

RESOLVED

No objection

20/P/0072/FUL 393 NORE ROAD, PORTISHEAD, BS20 8EZ

Demolition of existing bungalow and erection of 1No. dwelling, garage and associated works.

The meeting considered the roof height in comparison to its neighbouring properties, the lay of the land and the street scene.

RESOLVED

No objection

20/P/0170/FUH 1A WOODHILL AVENUE, PORTISHEAD, BS20 7EX

Construction of single storey rear/side extension.

RESOLVED

No objection

20/P/0183/NMA 16A HILLCREST ROAD, PORTISHEAD, BS20 8HS

Non-material amendment to application 19/P/2110/FUH (First floor addition over part of existing dwelling and change bedroom 3 on ground floor to sitting room) to allow for Juliette balcony glazing to be added to bedroom 3 and 4

RESOLVED

No objection

8.2 TRANSPORT & HIGHWAYS

Councillor Gardner confirmed that he would be meeting with First Bus imminently. This followed its recent consultation.

Mr Patrick Heaton-Armstrong stated that work is due to commence this month on J19's southbound slip road. The work will take approximately three months.

8.3 CAR PARKING

Councillor Gardner stated that the proposals put forward by NSC to charge for various parking in the town would be discussed at the Town Council meeting on 12/02/20. The consultation process has been amended by NSC and the final decision will be made by a full meeting of NSC, possibly by way of an extraordinary meeting in June, rather than the matter being decided by the Executives.

Councillor Gardner confirmed that he had spoken to fellow parish councillors including Nailsea and Clevedon. Feedback is also expected from the Chamber of Commerce in terms of the effect on local shops.

8.4 PROPOSED PORTISHEAD BRANCH LINE (METROWEST PHASE 1) ORDER – SECTION 56 PLANNING ACT 2008 – NOTICE OF ACCEPTED APPLICATION

The meeting noted the letter from Metrowest dated 14/01/20, which advised that the Planning Inspectorate has accepted an application from NSC relating to the reopening of the railway branch. All representations or responses are required by 11:59pm on 26/02/20.

RESOLVED

The meeting notes the letter dated 14th January 2020 from MetroWest.

PL841 SECTION 3 – DELEGATED CHAIRMAN DECISIONS

- 9.1 Planning applications as reported by the Planning & Regulatory chairman – no report
- 9.2 Tree applications as reported by the Planning & Regulatory Chairman – no report

There were no reports to consider.

PL842 OTHER PLANNING MATTERS – FOR INFORMATION ONLY – NOT FOR DISCUSSION – TO NOTE

THE FOLLOWING NOTIFICATIONS WERE NOTED:

- 10.1 Letter from Highways England dated 22/01/20 advising of M5 J19 works and Wynhol viaduct joint repairs.
- 10.2 The Draft Joint Local Transport Plan 4 consultation report – January 2020 – that could be found <https://travelwest.info/projects/joint-local-transport-plan>

PL843 MATTERS FOR THE NEXT MEETING

- 11.1 Late Planning Applications & Consultations

Meeting closed 9.04pm

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Councillor Sue Mason
Chairman

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