



Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee meeting held on **Tuesday 12 September 2023 at 7pm** in the Committee Room at Wimborne Minster Town Hall, 37 West Borough, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 1LT.

Present: Councillors: J. Hart, M. Hopkins, D. March (Town Mayor), W. Richmond (Vice Chairman), A. Roberts, S. Wheeler (Chairman and Deputy Town Mayor)

Officers: KR Brooks (Deputy Town Clerk).

Members of the public: Six and Mr A. Wakeling of the Wimborne Civic Society.

PE/2024/046	Apologies for absence No apologies
PE/2024/047	Declarations of interest and dispensations. None.
PE/2024/048	Public Participation Members of the public (MOP) identified themselves as interested in item 11 amended (iv) of the agenda. It was agreed that the item would be moved up to the next matter for discussion to accommodate the members of the public. A MOP stated the need for a crossing on the B3078 around Stone Lane to facilitate pedestrians which is mostly school children for access to Queen Elizabeth School. The Chairman responded that Dorset Council are aware of this, and they are in communication with the developers of Wimborne Chase to establish a timetable for the construction of the crossing. The Chairman informed the MOP to write to Dorset Council asking them to confirm dates and plans for completion of the crossing and for the Deputy Town Clerk to confirm this and report back to the committee. Members of the Public discussed item 12 amended (i) of the agenda in relation to the Cornmarket area and the sitting out licence application and their objection. The Chairman advised the MOP to write to the Dorset Council with their concerns of this plan and asked the Deputy Town Clerk to arrange a site visit involving Dorset Council, Wimborne Minster Town Council, and the Cornmarket Residents association at the Cornmarket. The members of public were thanked for attending and left the meeting, with two remaining behind.
PE/2024/049	Minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee 01 August 2023. Cllr Richmond proposed the minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on the 1 August 2023 be agreed as a true and accurate record of proceedings and signed by the Chairman with seconded by Cllr Hart, all in favour. Resolved: The minutes of the Planning and Environment Committee held on the 1 August 2023 were agreed as a true and accurate record of proceedings and were signed by the Chairman.

PE/2024/050	Planning applications for consideration P/VOC/2023/04786 Land South of Leigh Road - the Chairman proposed that the item to be deferred until more information was obtained from Dorset Council.
PE/2024/051	Application responses submitted between meetings as per the Committee's Terms of Reference – Cllr Hart proposed to except the applications, seconded by Cllr Hopkins all in favour. Resolved: Applications accepted.
PE/2024/052	Applications for information only - P/PAED/2023/04686 - 62 Allenvie Road. The Chairman asked the Deputy Town Clerk to express to Dorset Council that the Town Council considered the application as overbearing to the street scene and changes the character of the area.
PE/2024/053	Notification of a new Tree Preservation Order within Wimborne Minster The applications were noted by the committee.
PE/2024/054	To agree draft Terms of Reference for Highway Sub Committee for the Full Council – Cllr Hopkins proposed to forward the draft copy of the Highway Sub Committee Terms of Reference (ToR) with amendments to full council, seconded by Cllr Hart, all in favour.
PE/2024/055	Update from the Clerk in relation to actions from previous meetings. The Deputy Town Clerk informed the Committee about an update from Dorset Council regarding the proposed footpath on the B3078 Cranborne Road in that Dorset Council are working towards achieving the best outcome for the residents. The Deputy Town Clerk updated the Committee on the ongoing progress of the towns 20mph schemes and confirmed that it is likely to involve a cost implication to the Town Council, which would be determined by Dorset Council subject to funding. The Committee discussed the need for a map of all the trees in the town with the intention of placing Tree Preservation Orders. The Chairman will lead with this.
PE/2024/056	Correspondence and meetings relevant to the Committee's Terms of Reference. The Chairman discussed a resident's request for a 20mph scheme at Rowlands Hill and Lewens Lane and stressed that in addition to the Town Councils actions, any direct complaints should be logged on the Dorset Council Highways portal. The Chairman discussed a resident concern regarding the speed and traffic density on the B3078 Cranborne Road, in particular just north of the River Allen. The Deputy Town Clerk to make enquires with Dorset Council Highways stressing the need of more active enforcement of the speed limits. The Committee discussed a request for support from the River Allen Association regarding a bid application to the Government to restore the length of the River Allen in terms of biodiversity, habitat, and natural regeneration. It was agreed by the Committee to offer a letter of support to the association.

	The Deputy Town Clerk informed the Committee of the proposal for additional Bus 88 routes from the Dorset Community Transport to encompass the recent new developments in Wimborne Minster. The Committee asked for more information in the form of the routes and cost sharing with adjoining towns and villages before any decision can be taken.
PE/2024/057	Date of next meeting and close of meeting. The Chairman confirmed the date of the next meeting as 10 October 2023 and closed the meeting at 8.39 pm.

Signature of Chairman:

Date: