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Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

held on Monday 15th November 2021
at the Old Police Station, Market Hall Street, Kington

PRESENT

Cllr. F. Hawkins - Chair
Cllr. E. Banks
Cllr. J. Cooke
Cllr. E. Rolls
Cllr. I. Spencer
Cllr. R. Widdowson

IN ATTENDANCE

Liz Kelso – Town Clerk
3 members of the public

Minute	Agenda item
Plan-070-21	<p>1 Apologies, declarations of interest and requests for dispensation Apologies were noted from Cllrs. P. Edwards and M. Fitton. There were no declarations of interest or requests for dispensation.</p>
Plan 071-21	<p>2 Minutes of the previous meeting Minutes of the meeting held on 18th October 2021 were approved and the Chair was authorised to sign the Minutes as a true record of proceedings at that meeting.</p>
Plan 072-21	<p>3. Planning Applications now due for comment There were no planning applications due for comment.</p>
Plan 073-21	<p>4 Applications under permitted development rights Members noted that approval has been given by Herefordshire Council for the removal of a large Beech tree within the curtilage of 1 The Beeches on health and safety grounds as the tree is deteriorating and poses a risk to safety due to a colonisation of a pathogen known as Meripilus giganteum. Members requested that the clerk approaches Herefordshire Council to request that a replacement tree be provided by the applicant.</p>
Plan 074-21	<p>5. Planning decisions by Herefordshire Council since last meeting There were none to note.</p>
Plan 075-21	<p>6 Herefordshire Local Plan The working party set up to draft initial responses to the consultation by Herefordshire Council has not yet met. This item was deferred to the next meeting.</p>

Plan 076-21 **7** **Status of S106 Funds held by Herefordshire Council**
Members noted that funds appear to be outstanding for a period in excess of ten years from developments in Kington, although investigations from some years ago did suggest that the recording of expenditure by Herefordshire Council might be inaccurate. As a general rule, s106 funding not spent with a period of ten years can be reclaimed by the developer so it is unclear whether any of the balances indicated as remaining are available for project within the town. It was agreed that this should be investigated further and in particular to link any remaining funding with the projects identified in the Economic Development Plan where appropriate.

Plan 077-21 **8** **Items for the next agenda and date of next meeting**
The next meeting will take place on Monday 20th December 2021 at 6.00pm. The following items were identified for the agenda:

- Herefordshire Council's Local Plan review
- Planning policy to require replacement trees where consent is given to remove a tree

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 6.25pm.

Chairman