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Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

held on Monday 17th September 2018 at 6.00 pm in
The Old Police Station, Market Hall Street, Kington HR5 3DP

PRESENT

Cllr. F. Hawkins (chair)
Cllr. T. Bounds
Cllr. M. Fitton
Cllr. E. Rolls
Cllr R. Widdowson
Cllr. I. Wood-Johnson

IN ATTENDANCE

1 member of the public (agenda 4a only)
Cllr. J. Dennis
Cllr. R. MacCurrach
Liz Kelso – Town Clerk

Minute	Agenda item	
Plan-071-18	1	Apologies Apologies were noted from Cllrs. R. Banks and L. Rees
Plan-072-18	2	Declarations of Interest and requests for dispensation Cllrs. R. Widdowson and T. Bounds declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in agenda item 4(a) as owners of adjacent properties to the subject of the planning application under consideration. The Clerk confirmed that a dispensation is in effect to enable Councillors to consider planning applications relating to Kington Recreation Ground Trust for which the Town Council is sole Trustee.
Plan 073-18	3	Minutes of the previous meeting The Minutes of the meeting held on 20 th August 2018 which had been previously circulated were agreed and the Chairman was authorised to sign the Minutes as a true record of proceedings at that meeting.
Plan 074-18	4.	Planning Applications now due for comment Ref: 183054 Site: 3 Oxford Terrace, Market Hall Street, Kington Dev: Proposed two storey rear extension and internal alterations Plus provision of a new vehicular access after removal of garage

Cllrs. T. Bounds and R. Widdowson, having declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in this application, left the room. After due consideration, it was agreed that there were no objections to the proposed development.

Cllrs. Bounds and Widdowson returned to the room.

Ref: **183308**
Site: Pitfour, Doctors Lane, Kington
Dev: Proposed works to 6 x hornbeam trees

After due consideration, it was agreed to support this application.

Ref: **183348**
Site: Kington Recreation Ground
Dev: Proposed work to trees

There were no comments on this application.

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| Plan 075-18 | 5 | To note planning consent under permitted development rights
None. |
| Plan 076 | 6 | To note planning decisions since last meeting
Members noted that application ref. 182716 for works to trees at the Vicarage has been approved with conditions. |
| Plan 77-18 | 7 | Small developments within conservation area
Members noted that there have been several planning applications granted in recent years for small sites within the town centre. This is sometimes known as town cramming and puts pressure on parking and vehicular movements particularly in the very narrow streets and alleyways within the town. It was agreed to discuss this further at a later meeting and the Mayor agreed to put together a paper for consideration by Members. |
| Plan 078-18 | 8 | Review of CPRE comments on the National Planning Policy Framework
Cllr. Widdowson reported that some concern has been expressed at the implications of revised wording within the NPPF which appears to indicate that Neighbourhood Development Plans might only be effective as planning guidance for a period of 2 years. This change of wording was not apparent when the draft NPPF was reviewed nationally but has subsequently been the subject of debate within CPRE amongst others.

In the context of the Neighbourhood Development Plan the Mayor advised that Herefordshire Council had issued no guidance on this and he would follow this up and report back to a later meeting. |

Plan 079-18

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Listed Buildings

A review of listed buildings within Kington indicates that there are some 140 listed buildings, many of which are in a poor state of repair or at risk. It was suggested that regulations with regard to the use of upvc windows for example were not being adhered to or enforced. It was agreed that a conservation officer be invite to a future meeting to review the treatment of listed buildings within planning applications. It was further agreed that a talk by Historic England on the preservation of listed buildings might be considered as a subject for a future Town Meeting.

Plan 080-18

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Next Agenda

There no items raised for the next agenda other than those raised above. The next meeting was confirmed as Monday 15th October at 6.00pm at The Old Police Station, Market Hall Street.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 6.30pm.

Chairman