

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF THE
WITNEY TOWN COUNCIL**

**Held on Tuesday 2 July 2019
At 7 pm, in the Main Hall, Corn Exchange, Witney**

Present

Cllr R Smith (Chair)

Councillors: J Aitman L Ashbourne
T Ashby A McMahon
A Prosser

Officer: A Clapton Office Manager

Others: C Hargraves Policy Officer, West Oxfordshire DC

P318 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Cllr R Bolger.

P319 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting.

The Committee adjourned in line with Standing Order 42 to receive public participation.

P320 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

C Hargraves, Policy Officer from West Oxfordshire District Council briefed members on the East Witney Issues Paper Consultation.

The Committee re-convened following Public Participation.

P321 EAST WITNEY ISSUES PAPER CONSULTATION

With the agreement of the Chair, this agenda item was raised in the meeting in order for members to discuss the issues following the officer briefing on the consultation as previously circulated. There were a number of questions and issues raised by members that would be fed back to the policy team and an official response should be provided from the Town Council from comments made during the discussion.

RESOLVED: that the Officer Manager collates the feedback from the discussion into an official response from the Town Council that is delegated to the Chair and Cllr Aitman for agreement.

P322 **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

The Committee received and considered the schedule of planning applications as previously circulated.

RESOLVED: that the comments, as per the attached schedule, be forwarded to West Oxfordshire District Council.

As the meeting had now reached two hours in length, the Committee agreed to suspend standing order 48 in order to allow the meeting to continue.

P323 **HIGHWORTH PLACE – PARKING RESTRICTIONS CONSULTATION**

The Committee received the consultation on Parking Restrictions at Highworth Place, Witney.

Members heard that this issue had been brought to the Witney Traffic Advisory Committee on a number of occasions and this proposal had been borne from those discussions. Members felt that this was not necessarily an ideal solution and would much prefer to see eight hour long stay parking re-instated in the town in the attempt to ease back-street parking. However, the committee was supportive of the proposals if the residents of the road were in agreement.

RESOLVED: that although the proposals are not ideal, Witney Town Council supports the parking restrictions at Highworth Place providing the residents are in agreement, and;

Proposes to West Oxfordshire District Council that eight hour long stay car parking spaces are re-instated in Witney.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm.

Chairman