

BEWDLEY TOWN COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE HELD ON MONDAY
7TH JUNE 2010 AT 6.15PM IN THE GUILDHALL BEWDLEY**

PRESENT

Councillor Dr J Adams
Councillor Mrs L Candlin
Councillor Mr S Clee
Councillor Mrs A Cox
Councillor Mrs E Davies
Councillor Mrs L Edginton
Councillor Mr J Foulkes
Councillor Mrs C Gittins
Councillor Mr P Gittins
Councillor Mrs J Greener
Councillor Mr D Killingworth
Councillor Mr J Latham
Councillor Mr J Phillips

In attendance: Mr S. Inman (Town Clerk) and two members of the public

5637 Appointment of Chairman

Upon a proposal of Councillor Killingworth that was duly seconded by Councillor Mrs Gittins, Councillor Mrs Davies was **elected** as Chairman of the Planning Committee for the Council Year 2010/11.

5638 Appointment of Vice Chairman

Upon a proposal of Councillor Killingworth that was duly seconded by Councillor P Gittins, Councillor Mrs Edginton was **elected** as Vice Chairman of the Planning Committee for the Council Year 2010/11

5639 Apologies

None

5640 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Killingworth declared a Personal Interest in Minutes 5646 and 5647 being a friend of the applicant

5641 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 4th May 2010 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

- 5642 10/0239/FULL** Erection of new 5 bed detached house
Land adjacent to Braeside
Patchetts Lane
Mr S Banner

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

- 5643 10/0244/TREE** Fell 3 Horse Chestnut trees
28 Anton Close
Mr Steven Jones

It was agreed to recommend **approval** subject to a condition that the applicant be required to plant three suitable replacement trees so as to maintain the amenity of this area

- 5644 10/0248/TREE** Fell Yew tree in maintenance yard
West Midlands Safari park
Spring Grove
West Midlands Safari Park

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

- 5645 10/0253/FULL** Regrading and replanting of an earth bank adjacent to the highway
Hilfield
Redhill
Mr D Bullivant

It was agreed to recommend **approval** subject to Severn Trent Water and the Highway Authority also being satisfied as to drainage and run-off of water being dealt with suitably to avoid flooding and soil erosion

- 5646 10/0267/FULL** Conversion of former bake house and outbuildings including extensions and external alterations to form one 2 bed dwelling
Rear of 66 High Street
Mrs Marion Evans

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

- 5647 10/0268/LIST** Conversion of former bake house and outbuildings including extensions and external alterations to form one 2 bed dwelling
Rear of 66 High Street
Mrs Marion Evans

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

- 5648 10/0286/FULL** Demolishing existing single storey garage & constructing new garage with tiled roof over with dining room to rear & forming a new bedroom to first floor with hipped roof over.
13 Woodthorpe Drive
Mr John Nicholls

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

- 5649 10/0295/FULL** Conversion of garage into study
21 Lancaster Road
Mr L Fedden

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

- 5650 10/0297/FULL** Modification and extension to convert dwelling into two dwellings (Renewal of extant planning permission 07/0455/FULL)
The Bungalow
Beaucastle Drive
Long Bank
Clarenco Ltd

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

- 5651 10/0302/FULL** Erection of new single storey extension to rear kitchen area on rear elevation (existing single storey extension to rear to be demolished)
115 Stourport Road
Mr & Mrs G Eliot

It was agreed to recommend **approval**

5652 Planning (Development Control) Committee WFDC

It was agreed that no representations needed to be made to the meeting to be held on 13th July 2010

5653 Planning Decisions Update

This was noted

**5654 Planning Appeal 09/0596/OUTL –
Land adjacent to 62 The Racks Bark Hill**

It was noted that a planning appeal had been lodged by the applicant against the decision of the District Council to refuse consent for the erection of a single storey detached dwelling and associated access

5655 Conservation Area – Enforcement Issues

The Committee had previously considered and expressed concern to the District Council as to the apparent lack of enforcement of planning regulations in relation to signage and adverts that had appeared in the town centre. This had the effect of compromising the historic and amenity value of the buildings and their overall setting. In reply the Planning Manager had indicated a willingness to investigate any potential breaches but had asked for such to be identified in the first instance. The District Council’s Planning Committee Chairman had also indicated a willingness to attend a visit to Bewdley to assess the situation.

It was agreed that examples of potential breaches of planning regulations should be identified as suggested but that in considering whether to ask the District Council to take action, regard should also be paid to the balance that needed to be struck between the needs of businesses seeking to encourage their trade through signage and advertisements.

5656 Presentations by Arboricultural and Conservation Officers

Earlier in the year agreement had been reached in principle as to the attendance of the District Council’s Planning Manger and Arboricultural Officer to give a presentation to the Committee on the treatment of planning applications in relation to trees. Having regard now to the previous item, there was scope for also seeking the attendance of the Conservation Officer and to fix a date separate from that of the Committee so as to give the issues some more in depth consideration.

It was agreed the Town Clerk should liaise with the District Council’s Planning Manger to secure the attendance of all three officers on a date that was suitable for them all with a preference being given to a Monday evening.

The meeting closed at 7.20 pm

Signed.....
5th July 2010

Public Period

No member of the public wished to speak in the period allocated