

Morpeth Town Council
Minutes of the Planning and Transport Committee
Wednesday 11th November 2020 at 6:30pm
Via Zoom

Present:

Councillors: N Best - Chair
A Byard
A Tebbutt
J Tebbutt

Clerks:

Mrs J Wilson - Deputy Clerk
Miss K Carter - Democratic Services Assistant

Absent Councillors:

D Bawn - No apologies received
N Bawn - No apologies received
J Gebhard - No apologies received
J Wearmouth - No apologies received

Open Session

There were no members of the public present who wished to ask a question on this occasion.

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Committee Chairman's Announcements

- Members were advised of the usual rules about the recording of meetings.
- Members were reminded that mobile phones should be turned on to silent and should not be used during the meeting.

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Mayoral Announcements

- All mayoral activities have been suspended due to the new government restrictions.
- A small service at the cenotaph took place on Sunday 8th November 2020 to commemorate Remembrance Sunday. Social distancing guidelines were adhered to.

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Declarations of Interest

The Chairman received no declarations of interest on this occasion:

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Minutes of the Planning and Transport Committees held on 16th September and 21st October 2020

The minutes of the above meetings were approved as a true record.

RESOLVED

- a) That the minutes of 16th September and 21st October 2020, copies of which had been previously circulated to each Member, be approved, and signed as a correct record by the Chair.

89/20 **Matters Arising**

See Appendix C.

90/20 **Licenses**

The following license application was received and circulated to all members for consideration:

- (i) Marks & Spencer, 24-27 Sanderson Arcade, Morpeth, Northumberland, NE61 1NS

No comments were received for this application.

RESOLVED

- a) Information duly noted.

91/20 **Town and Country Planning Act 1990**

- (i) Members were asked to consider the planning list for w/c 2nd November 2020, see Appendix E.
- (ii) Members noted the comments submitted to applications on planning lists from w/c 19th October to w/c 26th October 2020.
- (iii) 19/00904/FUL - Land South Of Bluebell Court, East Cottingwood

Members were advised that the above application was heard at Strategic Planning Committee on Tuesday 3rd October 2020, and the application was approved.

RESOLVED

- a) Information duly noted.
- (iv) 20/01790/COU - Land South Of 32 Cuthbert Way, Cuthbert Way, Collingwood Manor

Members were advised that the above application was heard at Local Area Council on Monday 9th November 2020 and was refused permission.

RESOLVED

- a) Information duly noted.
- (v) 20/02516/CCD - Mobile Unit 1, Abbeyfields First School, Abbots Way, Highchurch

Members were advised that the above application was heard at Local Area Council on Monday 9th November 2020 and was granted permission.

RESOLVED

- a) Information duly noted.

92/20

Conservation Area Boundary Review

Members were provided with a draft boundary review for consideration.

Cllr Best advised that the boundary review will go out for public consultation late December 2020 or early January 2021. The consultation will be virtual.

The Deputy Clerk advised that the consultation will be publicised in Inside Morpeth magazine, and also asked for a list of interested parties that the consultation could be brought to the attention of prior to going live.

Members have until Friday 13th November 2020 to submit their comments, ahead of the final preparation prior to public consultation.

Cllr Byard suggested that some of the colours used were too similar and could cause confusion.

Cllr Best advised that in the consultation Mathesons Gardens had been mistakenly identified as Admiral Collingwood Court. Also, it states that Carlisle Park was donated in 1916, this may be confusing because it was not opened as a park until 1929.

Cllr Best suggested that this consultation be brought to the attention of the Morpeth Forum as it includes such areas as the Police Station, Courthouse, Goosehill School, Joiners Arms etc.

The Deputy Clerk advised that no comments have been received from Northumberland County Council Officers to date.

RESOLVED

- a) Information duly noted.
- b) Cllr Byard to bring the attention of the public consultation to The Morpeth Heritage Network.
- c) The Deputy Clerk to submit all comments by 16th November 2020.

93/20

Road Closures

Members were advised of the following road closures:

1. U6109 – Curley Kews, Morpeth

RESOLVED

- a) Information duly noted.

There were no issues raised on this occasion.

RESOLVED

a) Information duly noted.

There was no other business to discuss and the meeting concluded at 6:51pm with Councillors N Best, A Byard, A Tebbutt and J Tebbutt present.

89/20 - Matters Arising from Previous Committee Meetings – Appendix C

Minute Number	Item	Current Position	Action from meeting
73/20 (60/20) (32/20) (272/19) (240/19) (231/19)	Strategic County Councillor Updates – s106	Members were advised that the following question had been submitted to be asked at the Local Area Council meeting on the 9 th November 2020: Can the Town Council be provided with written guidance with regards to NCC’s s106 protocols, including how best to engage with Planning Officers. The Town Council believes the early stage discussions is an important step in the process and would appreciate the necessary guidance to ensure requests are being heard at the earliest possible time.	Information duly noted. The Deputy Clerk advised that the question was asked at Local Area Council on the 9 th November 2020 and that she is now awaiting a written response from the Director of the NCC Planning department.

91/20 - PLANNING APPLICATIONS W/C 2nd November 2020 – APPENDIX E

PLANNING REF	NAME & LOCATION	PROPOSAL	MTC RESPONSE	MIN NO	NCC DECISION
20/03201/FELTPO	<p>Requested to be brought to committee by Cllr Best from planning list w/c 19th October 2020. Extension granted to 13th November 2020. Mr Connor Loughland Land North Of 26 Loansdean Wood, Loansdean, Morpeth, NE61 2FB</p>	Tree Preservation Order Application - Fell T1, T2 (Poplar).	Morpeth Town Council are opposed to this application, this whole bank of trees is essential to the landscape and as such should only be removed if there is a serious issue with the tree. The information included in the application is limited therefore the Tree Officers opinion is important in this application.		
20/03488/FUL	Mr & Mrs Paul Bilsborrow 3 The Pastures, Kirkhill, Morpeth, NE61 2AQ	Front ground floor porch & garage extension & pitched roof over	Morpeth Town Council has no comment to this application.		
20/03449/ADE	Ms Andrea Jonhson Unit 2 The Chantry, Chantry Place, Morpeth, NE61 1PJ	Advertisement Consent for - Fascia sign x 1; frosted logo to windows	Morpeth Town Council support this application.		