

MEETING OF BRIDGEND TOWN COUNCIL'S PLANNING COMMITTEE

AT CARNEGIE HOUSE

On Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 11:30 am

Present: Cllr D Unwin, Cllr E Hughes, Cllr T Wood, Cllr R Porter

Absent: Cllr F Sykes, Cllr G Sassoon-Hales, Cllr S Baldwin (ex-officio)

1. Apologies for absence:

None

2. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interest:

2.1 None

3. Minutes of the last meeting on 13th. December 2017:

3.1 The minutes were received and confirmed as a true record and duly signed.

4. That the Chairperson accepts the Committee addendum sheet (if any) in order to allow for Committee to consider necessary modifications to the Committee report, so as to take account of late representations and revisions that need to be accommodated:

Addendum sheet accepted.

5. Planning Applications Received:

5.1 Please refer to Planning Applications Spreadsheet attached at the end of the minutes.

5.2 The Planning Committee's Recommendations appear in the end column in bold type.

- Planning application P/17/1059/RLX: Chair of Planning Committee highlighted that one of the items of correspondence for consideration by the BTC Planning Committee referred to this application and suggested that it was dealt with at this point. This was agreed by Members.
- Chair read out a letter from BCBC regarding the Timpson Unit at Tesco Store. The letter stated that the situation was already under investigated by BCBC and that a planning application to remove conditions associated with the original application had been received.
- Members discussed issues associated with providing services already offered in the town centre at out of town retail destinations.
- A recommendation for the relaxation of conditions for this application was recorded on the Planning Applications Spreadsheet.

6. Pre-Planning Application Consultations:

6.1 There were no applications received.

7. County Determinations:

7.1 There were no County Determinations received.

8. Planning Correspondence and other matters:

8.1 BCBC letter to BTC in response to protocols re: Development Control Committee

- Chair availed Members of a letter from BCBC in response to a letter that was sent regarding the way that objections to applications can be made by BTC to the BCBC Development Control Committee.
- Chair suggested that there had been a misunderstanding between what the BTC Planning Committee had requested and what BCBC had responded about.
- Chair noted that if BTC Planning Committee intends to object to a planning application in future they would need to register their intention to speak at the BCBC Development Control Committee at the time that their objection to the planning application is submitted to BCBC.

RESOLVED:: That an intention to speak at a BCBC Development Control Committee is registered at the time that a BTC objection to a planning application is submitted to BCBC.

8.2 BCBC letter to BTC re-non-compliance: Timpson Unit at Tesco Store

- This item of correspondence was dealt with under agenda item 5.

8.3 BCBC letter to BTC in response to Coed Parc Appeal- Conditions to development

- Chair explained that there were 19 conditions imposed on the planning consent for this application. It was noted that no comment could be made on these conditions, however, the Chair suggested that a letter could be sent to the BCBC Planning Department to request that they liaise with the BTC Planning Committee if the developer responds to object to any of the planning conditions.

RESOLVED:: Town Clerk to respond to the letter to request that BCBC liaise with the BTC Planning Committee if the developer for the Coed Parc planning application submits an objection or relaxation to any of the planning conditions.

8.4 Application for Street Trading Consent

- Members discussed the precedent set for mobile retailers.
- Chair commented that it is not clear if the trader would be trading within the BTC wards.

- Member suggested that the trader could consider taking a stall within the Bridgend Indoor Market if he/she wished to trade within the BTC wards and could liaise with BCBC to negotiate a cost.

RESOLVED:: Town Clerk to make further enquiries to establish whether any trading would take place within BTC wards.

8.5 BCBC request for BTC to change the way that it submits its planning recommendations to BCBC Planning Department

RESOLVED: To accept the request to amend the format of the BTC Planning Reports and implement the changes with immediate effect.

8.6 Report from Chairman Re: Felling of Trees – Bridgend Science Park

- Chair presented a report regarding the felling of trees at Bridgend Science Park. He highlighted that 10 mature trees had recently been felled and many others have had substantial branches cut.
- He expressed concern that BTC had not been informed about this work taking place and noted that the trees had not shown any sign of danger or disease.
- Chair questioned who had authorised the work and suggested that BTC should be availed of future plans for the area.

RESOLVED: Town Clerk to write to BCBC Corporate Director, Communities to request further information regarding this issue.

Meeting closed at 12 Noon

Signed:..... (Chair of Planning Committee)

Date:.....