

# **CHARD TOWN COUNCIL**

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Mayor: Cllr Martin Carnell Town Clerk: Paul Russell

# PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022, commencing at 19:00 hours in The Town Hall, Fore Street, Chard TA20 1PP.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cllr Claire Brown (Chair), Cllr Tim Eggins, Cllr Andi Grief-Page, and Cllr Claire Richter.

# **Public Participation Time**

No members of the public were present. No matters were raised.

#### 2022/01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Martin Carnell (holiday), Cllr Jason Hawkes (personal) and Cllr Shakil Hassan (work).

#### 2022/02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following Declaration of Interest was made:

Cllr Brown: Planning Application 21/03799/OUT (personal)

#### **2022/03 MINUTES**

Proposed: Cllr Eggins Seconded: Cllr Richter

Unanimous

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on the 29<sup>th</sup> March 2022 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

### 2022/04 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Committee agreed to submit the responses below to the following planning applications received:

**APPLICATION:** 22/00675/S73

**LOCATION:** 15 Vicarage Close Chard Somerset TA20

2HH

**DESCRIPTION:** S73 Application to vary Condition 02

(approved drawings) to extend the existing dormer across the new extension, thus altering its external approved appearance of Planning Consent 20/01264/HOU; Erection

of a single storey extension to side of dwelling and change of cladding to dormer.

**UPDATE:** Approved with conditions

**APPLICATION:** 22/00289/FUL

1,3,4 And 5 The Hollies Crimchard, Chard LOCATION:

Somerset

**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed renovation and alteration works COMMENT: Proposed Cllr Grief-Page, seconded Cllr

Richter. Unanimous

No objection

APPLICATION: 22/00735/HOU

LOCATION: 34 Middle Touches Chard TA20 1NX

**DESCRIPTION:** Erection of a single storey extension to rear of

dwelling & to reduce garage to standard garage

**COMMENT:** Proposed Cllr Eggins, seconded Cllr Richter.

> Unanimous No objection

APPLICATION: 22/00877/HOU

LOCATION: 32 Stringfellow Crescent Chard TA20 1ET **DESCRIPTION:** The erection of two storey side extension to

dwelling

**UPDATE:** Approved with conditions

**APPLICATION:** 21/01504/FUL

LOCATION: 23 High Street Chard TA20 1QF

**DESCRIPTION:** Change of use of ground floor to residential use

and formation of two flats. General alterations and renovation/repairs to ground floor (two flats),

and first floor existing flat.

**UPDATE:** Withdrawn

APPLICATION: 21/01505/LBC

**LOCATION:** 23 High Street Chard TA20 1QF

**DESCRIPTION:** Change of use of ground floor to residential

> use and formation of two flats. General alterations and renovation/repairs to ground

floor (two flats), and first floor existing flat.

**UPDATE:** Withdrawn

APPLICATION: 22/00890/LBC

LOCATION: The Choughs Hotel High Street Chard

Somerset TA20 1QB

**DESCRIPTION:** Proposed Internal Refurbishment Works Proposed Cllr Grief-Page, seconded Cllr COMMENT:

Richter. Unanimous Support the application.

APPLICATION: 21/03799/OUT

LOCATION: Land South of Tapstone Road, Chard,

Somerset

**DESCRIPTION:** 

Outline application for the creation of up to 200sqm of cafe/drive through (Use Class E and Sui Generis) floorspace with associated

works. All matters reserved.

**COMMENT:** Proposed Cllr Grief-Page, seconded Cllr

Richter. Unanimous

Committee **RESOLVED** to object to this planning application for the following reasons:

- Council considered that the size of the plot to create a café/drive though was too small to accommodate the volume of traffic that would be generated by the proposed use:
- The area available was not sufficient to meet the basic requirements for such a development in terms of accommodating minimum vehicle numbers, both from a parking point of view and the potential number of vehicles that would drive through the unit;
- The access to the nearby petrol station and supermarket was too close to the outline proposal. Council considered that this could create potential traffic jams and possible blocking of access into the supermarket:
- The highway generated a high volume of traffic at certain times of the day and the proposal could affect the flow of that traffic;
- Concerns had been raised by local businesses.

APPLICATION: 22/00513/HOU

46 Fairway Rise Chard Somerset TA20 1NT LOCATION:

**DECSCRIPTION:** Erection of a single storey extension

Approved with conditions **UPDATE:** 

APPLICATION: 22/00474/ADV

The Choughs Hotel High Street Chard LOCATION:

Somerset TA20 1QB

**DESCRIPTION:** Replacement of 7 no. external signs COMMENT:

Proposed Cllr Grief-Page, seconded Cllr

Richter. Unanimous Support the application.

22/00475/LBC **APPLICATION:** 

The Choughs Hotel High Street Chard LOCATION:

Somerset TA20 1QB

**DECSCRIPTION:** Replacement of 7 no. external signs **COMMENT:** Proposed Cllr Grief-Page, seconded Cllr

Richter. Unanimous Support the application.

# 2022/05 TREE APPLICATIONS

Committee noted that no Tree Applications had been received.

#### 2022/06 AFFORDABLE HOUSING:

Committee considered the request received from Nether Stowey Parish Council regarding housing developments and the removal of affordable housing from developments on the basis of non-viability.

Following discussion, it was agreed to nominate Cllr Brown and Cllr Eggins to attend the initial meeting to be hosted by SALC and to represent Chard town Council.

## 2022/07 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Following discussion, Committee agreed to amend its meeting dates and meet prior to the Full Council meetings when held.

The next meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee will be held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 6:30pm in the Guildhall, Town Hall, Fore Street, Chard TA20 1PP.

The Chair thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 7:26pm.

CHAIR:	DATE:	