

**BARNARD CASTLE TOWN COUNCIL  
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

**5 JUNE 2017**

**PRESENT:** Councillors Harrison (in the Chair), Blissett, Hallimond and Wilkes.

**Officers:** Mr King (Town Clerk).

**Also in attendance:** One member of the press.

The Chairman reminded members of the Committee that, as it was within the pre-election period ('purdah'), the town council must comply with restrictions outlined in Section 2 of the Local Government Act 1986.

**6. ACCEPTANCE OR OTHERWISE OF APOLOGIES**

None. Members were reminded that there was a vacancy on Planning Committee which would be filled following co-option on 19 June.

**Resolved** – That the information be noted.

**7. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

In accordance with this Council's adopted Code of Conduct (Minute 12/May/17 refers), Members were asked whether they had any personal or prejudicial interests in any matter on the agenda and, if so, to declare those interests at this point of the meeting. Members were reminded that a declaration could be given later in the meeting if a need arose during discussion.

**8. PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING – 22 MAY 2017 – MINUTES**

**Resolved** - That the Minutes be approved as a correct record.

**9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

The following applications were submitted for consideration:

- (i) DM/17/01600/FPA – **38 Cleveland Road** – Two storey rear/ side extension and detached double garage.

**Resolved** - That the town council support the application.

- (ii) DM/17/01630/FPA – **Barnard Castle Preparatory School, Newgate** – Alterations to drop off area including provision of new internal road, pathways and parking areas.

**Resolved** - That the town council support the application.

- (iii) DM/17/01631/LB – **Barnard Castle School** – Listed building application for internal alterations.

**Resolved** - That the town council support the application.

- (iv) DM/17/01572/LB – **Unit 4 Castle Chambers 21-23 Market Place** – Listed building application for the Erection of Hanging Wall Mounted Sign.

Members were reminded that the planning application for this sign had been considered at the meeting of 22 May 2017 and that the committee had resolved to

note the application.

**Resolved** - That the application be noted.

(v) DM/17/01658/TCA – **2 Horsemarket** – T1 Sycamore – fell tree in conservation area.

Members noted that the tree works did not need permission from Durham County Council and that comments were not invited.

**Resolved** - That the application be noted.

#### **10. APPLICATION FOR NOTING**

DM/17/01246/FPA & DM/17/01247/LB – **Demesnes Mill Barn Cottage** – Listed building application for conversion of garage into habitable room, internal and external alterations and formation of conservatory to rear.

At the meeting of 24 April, Planning Committee resolved to support the application, subject to satisfactory comments from Conservation and Design regarding conservatory design and materials. Confirmation had been received that Design and Conservation had no objection to the proposal.

**Resolved** – that the information be noted.

#### **11. REQUEST FOR A TREE PRESERVATION ORDER (TPO) – FORMER POLICE STATION, BEDE KIRK**

Pursuant to Minute 68/Nov/16 and Resources Minute 54/Jan/17, it was reported that the town council applied for a TPO to protect trees on the green area fronting Harmire Road, following proposed sale of the former Police Station and adjacent green area. DCC's South West Planning Development Team had confirmed that a provisional TPO had been served and objections were awaited before it could be confirmed. The provisional TPO would last for 6 months, with confirmation expected in September 2017.

**Resolved** – that the information be noted.