



Parish Council

Central Swindon North Parish Council

Pinetrees Community Centre,

The Circle,

SWINDON SN2 1QR

ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 06th December 2023 18.00hrs

Present:	
Councillors:	Cllr J Yeowell (Acting Chair) Cllr M Beale Cllr A Fernandes (Virtually) Cllr D Patey
Clerk:	Mr A Reeves (Parish Clerk)
Officers:	Mrs J A Williams (Administration)
Members of the Public Present:	None

Min Ref	Minutes	Action
EP831	AG1 – Apologies & Declarations of Interests. Cllr P Exell (Apologies)	
EP832	AG2 – Public Question Time & Correspondence. None	
	AG3 - Planning Applications to be Examined	
EP833	AG3.1 S/HOU/23/1132 – Erection of a wooden outbuilding, (Retrospective)	

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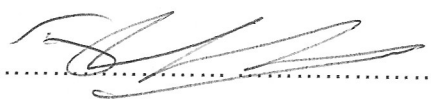
	14 Bedwyn Close Swindon SN2 1SG All members voted unanimously. RESOLVED Objection - Due to a loss of amenity to neighbouring properties.	
EP834	AG3.2 S/23/1381 - Change of use from telephone exchange (sui Generis) to 8no. apartments (use class C3) and associated works. Former Telephone Exchange Firefly Avenue Swindon All members voted unanimously. RESOLVED OBJECTION: To object on the basis of inadequate parking; failing to meet the parking requirements of Swindon Borough Council's parking policy. Eight should be provided however the developer is proposing none, instead relying on the assumption that future residents will not own vehicles and will not require parking. The surrounding area outside of the development has limited permit only parking and would not be able to absorb the extra vehicles that could arise from the proposed development. Objection on the proposed bin store location. Proposed location is next to adjacent properties and below the windows of the neighbouring property, which will impact the amenity of the residents who will have to endure the noise and smell associated with the refuse store below their windows.	
EP835	AG3.3 S/HOU/23/1403 - Erection of a single storey rear extension and front porch. 7A Beaney View Swindon SN2 2FG All members voted unanimously. RESOLVED No Objection	
EP836	AG3.4 S/HOU/23/1410 - Erection of a first floor side extension. 69 Hunters Grove Swindon SN2 5EW	

	Cllr D Patey expressed a non-pecuniary interest in this application. The committee is no longer quorate so are unable to vote. They expressed their concerns over the lack of parking provision.	
EP837	AG3.5 S/23/1434– Change of use from shop (Class E) to Hot Food Takeaway (Sui Generis). 1 – 3 Whitehouse Road Swindon SN2 1BZ Cllr D Patey expressed a non-pecuniary interest in this application. The committee is no longer quorate so were unable to vote but supported the comments from highways in regard to lack of parking and the public comments regarding noise and smells.	
EP838	AG4 - Update on applications previously examined. The committee discussed previous applications. RESOLVED Noted	
EP839	AG5 - Parking Related Issues. - Update on Westmead (Standing Item) RESOLVED No further updates. - Update on Ashworth Road (Standing Item) RESOLVED No further updates.	
EP840	AG6 – Floral Planting. Planter request from Cllr Dave Patey Councillor Patey confirmed his request for a single planter at the bottom of Cricklade road near the railings with a welcome to Gorse Hill Sign. This will be an area that will not impede grass cutting.	

	RESOLVED The committee voted unanimously in favour of Cllr Patey's request for £500.00 pounds. • Planter request from Cllr Kevin Small RESOLVED This item will be brought back to a subsequent meeting. Cllr Patey mentioned Cllr Ballman's request for the Four fountain planters, two at St Mark's Park and two for Penhill. Cllr Beale stated that she was not aware of the request and had not made it. The Clerk responded that the park working group had resolved to have Penhill Park as a Green Flag Park. Cllr Beale stated that the Green Flag was not needed. The Clerk responded that if awarded then it could gain Investment.	
	• The Parks Working Group request for £4000.00 for four Fountain planters. RESOLVED The committee voted unanimously in favour of awarding £4000.00 for the fountain planters however, the two requested for Penhill Park the committee agreed that the grassed area in the centre of the two entrances to Penhill would be a more suitable location and would be visible to more people.	
EP841	Street Furniture • Bin Request from Cllr Fernandes Whilst outdoor knocking Cllr Will Stone had received numerous requests for an additional bin in Ferndale Rec. The Head of Operations findings were: - The location is along the Western Flyer. There are five mixed style bins within this area. There is currently a bin installed next to Harcourt Rd play area, one towards the entrance to the rear	

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	alleyway of Ferndale Rd, and there are 3 x bins towards Iffley Rd (just before the underpass). My recommendation would be to remove the existing dog bin, which is currently sited right next to a large free standing bin, and dispose (no longer used), and install a post mounted bin either towards Coben Green or along the footpath entrance to North Star Av. The area is well used, with the Western Flyer also benefiting from any additional bins. We have a number of post mounted bins in stock. Therefore, Cllr Fernandes could use an existing and then use ward allowance to replace the stock. I would advise a Ward Allowance of £400.00 would be sufficient. Cllr Yeowell also mentioned a request he had received from a resident regarding a bin for Cobden Green area. RESOLVED - The committee voted unanimously in favour of an additional bin to be installed in Ferndale Rec.	
EP842	2024/25 Budget Proposal Funds for meadows to cover baler - £3,500.00 Money for bins, £8,000.00 Money for Clean & Green type scheme, £500.00 Money for signs / street furniture - similar amount to this year £2,000.00 Money for bus shelter (amount to cover cost of one shelter) £5,000.00	
EP843	S106 & CIL Monies Paid approx. £7,000.00 CIL Working group to be formed.	
Meeting Closed 19.04.		

Signed.....

Chair of E & P

Date.....20/12/2023

