



Parish Council

Central Swindon North Parish Council

Moredon Sporting Hub,

Cheney Manor

Industrial Estate

SWINDON SN2 2QJ

ENVIRONMENT & PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday 16th April 2025 18.00hrs

Present: The meeting was held on Teams

Councillors:
 Cllr P Park (Chair)
 Cllr J Yeowell (Vice Chair)
 Cllr Vanessa Bentley
 Cllr P Exell
 Cllr D Patey
 Cllr Javes Rodrigues

Officers:
 Mr A Reeves
 Miss R Westcott

Members of the Public Present: None

Min Ref	Minutes	Action
EP287	AG1 - Apologies and Declarations of Interests. Cllr Dave Patey declared an interest in Agenda item 3.10 - S/LDP/25/0458 due to being a patient there.	

EP288	AG2 – Public Question Time & Correspondence. Cllr D Patey had received communication from a resident enquiring about the illegal parking issues at Gorse Hill that had been brought to a previous meeting. Mr A Reeves explained that he is liaising with Cllr Tom Smith and SBC around this and the other illegal parking issues across the Parish. RESOLVED Councillors NOTED the update and Officers will continue to liaise with SBC around this issue.	
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	AG3 – Planning Applications to be Examined.	
EP289	AG3.1 S/LDPLBC/25/0365 – Certificate of Lawful Development (Proposed) for replacement of rooflight sheeting and relining of gutters. 1 Great Western Outlet Village 1-144 Kemble Drive Rodbourne Swindon. SN2 2DY RESOLVED – NO OBJECTION	
EP290	AG3.2 S/LDE/25/0371 – Certificate of Lawfulness (existing) for erection of rear dormer window with Juliette balcony. 44 Montagu Street Rodbourne Swindon SN2 2HW Cllr P Park noted concerns with privacy issues. Cllr P Exell noted concerns around lack of parking. The applicant has three bedrooms and two off road parking spots at present, with the addition on the fourth bedroom their provision should be three. Cllr P Park proposed to object due to inadequate parking provision due to an increase in bedrooms and privacy issues with neighbours. RESOLVED – OBJECTION	

EP291	AG3.3 S/HOU/25/0382 – Erection of two storey side and single storey front and rear extensions. 16 Bessemer Close Rodbourne Cheney Swindon SN2 1NB Cllr P Exell had concerns with lack of parking. The applicant is increasing bedroom size and decreasing parking spaces. He did note that they could create extra parking if they removed the front garden area. RESOLVED – OBJECTION	
EP292	AG3.4 S/EIA/25/0396 – Request for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Screening Opinion for the detailed refurbishment of the Oasis Leisure Centre and in outline two phases of Development for residential (up to 707 flats) and employment units (up to 29,265m2) including Associated works. The Oasis Leisure Centre Hawksworth Way Swindon SN2 1EP Cllr P Exell explained that the applicant was following the legal process to enquire about whether they needed to do an impact assessment as part of their application. SBC have replied no. RESOLVED – PERMISSION NOT REQUIRED	
EP293	AG3.5 S/HOU/25/0405 – Erection of first floor side and rear extension and box dormer. 13 Pembroke Gardens Moredon Swindon SN25 3EN RESOLVED – NO OBJECTION	
EP294	AG3.6 S/LDP/25/0406 – Certificate of Lawfulness (proposed) for the erection of rear dormer window, hip to gable roof conversion. 75 Wheeler Avenue	Mr A Reeves to write to SBC Planning to enquire as to whether this is an addition or a

	Stratton St Margaret Swindon SN2 7HL Cllr P Exell noted the applicants previous application S/HOU/24/0873 which is not shown on the plans for the new application. He queries if this application is instead of the previous application or as well as. Cllr P Exell explained that he has no objection with this application itself, but he was curious about how this fits in with the previous application S/HOU/24/0873. Cllr P Exell proposed the Parish not object but seek clarification from SBC planning as to whether this is complimentary to or in replacement to the prior application. RESOLVED – NO OBJECTION	replacement of the previous application.
EP294	AG3.7 S/HOU/25/0410 – Erection of first floor extension to rear elevation. 48 Harcourt Road Ferndale Swindon SN2 1DR RESOLVED – NO OBJECTION	
EP295	AG3.8 S/PIP/25/0447 – Application for Permission in Principle for the erection of 1 no. dwelling. Land at 171 Cheney Manor Road Swindon SN2 2NY Cllr P Exell mentioned it looks like an overdevelopment and there are no official plans on the portal. It would have an overbearing impact on neighbouring gardens and is in a conservation area. Cllr D Patey mentioned a few that have been built on Cricklade Road which have worked, but in this area it is not appropriate. Cllr P Park proposed the Parish object due to an overbearing impact to light and privacy of neighbours and an overdevelopment of the site.	

	RESOLVED – OBJECTION	
EP296	AG3.9 S/25/0449 – Erection of a single storey dwelling and creation of associated access. Land To The Rear Of 30-42 Wiltshire Avenue Swindon Cllr P Exell noted that the access would be down a road used by both pedestrians and cars and the building work access, and access on completion, would be down a back road which would cause issues. The design is also modern and does not fit with other houses in the area. Cllr P Park proposed to object due to access issues, overbearing impact on residents and overdevelopment. RESOLVED - OBJECTION	
EP297	AG3.10 S/LDP/25/0458 – Certificate of Lawfulness (proposed) for the installation of 5x new windows in a wing of the medical centre. Hawthorn Medical Centre May Close Gorse Hill Swindon SN2 1UU RESOLVED – NO OBJECTION	
EP298	AG4 – Street Furniture Litter Bins Update – Councillors noted that the Parish is awaiting the figures from Mr M Ware at Idverde. Mr A Reeves mentioned there have been no formal bin requests. Benches – No formal bench requests or repairs. RESOLVED – NOTED	
EP299	AG5 – Floral (Bulb Planting) Cllr P Exell confirmed Cllr J Yeowell planters have been ordered but have not arrived yet. He requested Mr A Briggs update on when they will arrive. RESOLVED – NOTED	Mr A Briggs to update committee on arrival of planters and flowers.

EP300	AG6 – Grass Verges Tydeman Street Cllr P Park explained that Cllr C Shelley from SBC contacted the Parish to highlight the atrocious state of the verges due to residents parking on grass verges. He has replied explaining he is awaiting SBC to repair the verges along the highway and to enforce parking rules as it is their responsibility, and the Parish has no power in enforcement. A local resident has filled some of the larger holes with gravel which makes it harder for Idverde to cut the grass. Cllr P Exell mentioned that a local resident in Rodbourne Cheney went and brought topsoil and grass seeds to fix the verges on his road and laid it himself. The next day there were four cars parked on the verges he had repaired destroying the work he had done. Cllr J Yeowell asked if there was anything that could be placed there to deter parking. Cllr D Patey explained that trees have been placed in certain areas, as well as large stones in others. However, without SBC going to those areas and enforcing parking laws there is not much the Parish can do at the present time. Cllr P Exell noted that the large rocks were brought up at a Moredon Residents meeting and were informed that they shouldn't as it makes it harder for Idverde to maintain. The Parish received grant funding that the Parish was unable to use due to paperwork at Highways not being completed. Cllr P Park responded that at present the Parish is waiting for more work from SBC and the Parish cannot advise until an agreement is made with SBC. The Parish is keen to find a solution for this situation and look forward to SBC reaching out with solutions. RESOLVED – NOTED	
EP301	AG7 – Actions Noted Mr A Reeves explained that this was a recommended new agenda item that would support the committee in monitoring actions and their resolutions. Councillors agreed this was a good addition. Cllr P Park suggested the actions list include who initiated the action and who responded. RESOLVED – NOTED	Officers to create an actions list to be included on Agenda for monitoring.
	Meeting Closed 16:57	

Signed  Date 28/4/25
Chair of E & P