

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMITTEE

Held at The Guildhall on Monday 20th April 2020 immediately after the Town Council Meeting which started at 7.00 p.m.

This meeting was held Under Regulation 78 of the Coronavirus Act 2020

1. PRESENT: Cllr. Mrs. S.L.N. Leat (Chairman), Cllr. M.N. Adamson-Drage, Cllr. J.J. Farrow, Cllr. M. Mynard, Cllr. A.G. Sedgewick, Cllr. A.L. Young, Miss H. Kirkcaldie, (Town Clerk) and Mrs. Z. Adamson-Drage (Deputy Town Clerk).

No member of the public.

2. APOLOGIES/NOT PRESENT: Cllr. A.E. Bourner, Cllr. M.A. Featherstone, Cllr. D.J. Moore, Cllr. M.D.G. Spurway.

3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: the minutes of the meetings held 9th March 2020 having been considered and approved by the Town Council, were signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM MEETINGS HELD ON 9th MARCH 2020: None.

5. PUBLIC FORUM: None.

6. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED TO WHICH RESPONSES HAD BEEN SUBMITTED BY THE TOWN CLERK FOLLOWING CONSULTATION WITH COMMITTEE MEMBERS BY EMAIL:

20/0406/FUL

United Reformed Church Chard Street Axminster EX13 5EB

Change of use and conversion of the former United Reformed Church to form gallery and studio to ground floor with residential accommodation on the first floor |

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL SUPPORTS THIS APPLICATION AND WELCOMES THE RE-PURPOSING OF THIS HISTORIC BUILDING.

20/0422/ADV

Maycroft Lyme Road Axminster EX13 5BE

Display of 1 no. freestanding advertisement sign with LED illuminated lighting

TOWN CLERK AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE PRINCIPLE OF A SIGN BUT THERE WAS A DIVERGENCE OF OPINION REGARDING THE ILLUMINATION, WITH A MINORITY QUESTIONING THE NECESSITY FOR IT TO BE ILLUMINATED GIVEN THAT THERE ARE STREET LIGHTS IN THE AREA.

20/0406/FUL

20/0547/TRE

1 West Close Axminster EX13 5PE

Oak trees - Crown Lift and trim by 1.5m and remove deadwood. Reasons: dangerous limbs, blocking light to gain clearance of new road.

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO REQUEST A REPORT ON THIS TREE FROM A QUALIFIED SPECIALIST AND WOULD SUGGEST THAT A CONDITION BE IMPOSED THAT ANY WORK UNDERTAKEN IS ALSO DONE BY A QUALIFIED TREE SURGEON.

Cllr. Mrs. Leat, seconded by Cllr. Adamson-Drage, proposed that the above responses be confirmed. Agreed.

7. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED: The following applications were considered:-

20/0590/FUL

Natwest Victoria Place Axminster EX13 5AB

Demolition of rear extension and change of use and conversion of part of former bank (use class A2) to 1 no. bedroom flat (use class C3)

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL CANNOT SUPPORT THIS APPLICATION IN ITS PRESENT FORM. A SECTION OF THE PLANNING APPLICATION FORM IS STILL

MISSING (THOSE PAGES WHICH COVER SECTIONS 3 TO 8 INCLUSIVE) AND THE PLANS MAKE REFERENCE TO THE CONSTRUCTION OF 3 DWELLINGS IN THE GARDEN YET NO INFORMATION REGARDING THESE IS SUPPLIED AT ALL.

20/0661/VAR

Former Axminster Police Station Lyme Close Axminster EX13 5BA

Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 19/0412/FUL (Demolition of existing buildings and construction of 8 dwellings with associated parking, carport and cycle store) to change units 3, 4 and 5 from 2 bed 2-storey dwellings to 3 bed 3-storey dwellings, with alteration to height and pitch of roofs and insertion of dormers and rooflights in units 3,4 and 5

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL OBJECTS TO THIS APPLICATION ON GROUNDS OF THE LOSS OF AMENITY (BY VIRTUE OF OVERLOOKING) FOR THE PROPERTIES ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF LYME CLOSE WHICH ARE ACCESSED FROM LYME ROAD. THE SITE IS ELEVATED ABOVE THESE PROPERTIES AND AN INSERTION OF A THIRD STOREY IN THE ROOF WITH DORMER WINDOWS CONTRIBUTES TO THE LOSS OF AMENITY MENTIONED. COUNCILLORS WERE CONCERNED THAT THERE IS NO EVIDENCE IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICANTS ASSERTION THAT THE PROPOSED ALTERATIONS "MEET LOCAL DEMAND".

20/0672/FUL

Pinneywood Farm Lodge Lane Axminster EX13 5RT

Construction of replacement single and two storey side extension

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL SUPPPORTS THIS APPLICATION

20/0687/GPD

41 Willhayes Park Axminster EX13 5QW

Extension to extend beyond the rear wall of the original dwelling - 7m; maximum height of extension is 4m; height of eaves is 2.3m

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL SUPPPORTS THIS APPLICATION

8. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED BETWEEN PUBLICATION OF AGENDA AND TIME OF MEETING

20/0732/FUL

6 Salway Gardens Axminster EX13 5DA

Construction of single storey rear extension

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL SUPPPORTS THIS APPLICATION

20/0770/FUL

Alls Well 3 Sector Lane Axminster EX13 5SD

Construction of single storey side/rear extension; alteration to garage to convert to studio / store; installation of pergola to south elevation

AXMINSTER TOWN COUNCIL SUPPPORTS THIS APPLICATION

9. APPEALS

None.

10. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

11. DECISIONS

GRANTS OF CONDITIONAL PERMISSION

19/2615/FUL

Uphay Farm Membury Road Axminster EX13 7JG

Construction of single storey rear extension.

19/2620/FUL

Uphay Farm, Membury Road Axminster EX13 7JG

Alterations and extensions to existing barn to facilitate change of use to form a residential holiday let unit

20/0028/FUL

Axminster Young Peoples Centre Pippins Lyme Road Axminster EX13 5AZ

Erection of bicycle/buggy store lean-to on existing garage and garden shed

20/0029/LBC

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Erection of bicycle/buggy store lean-to on existing garage and garden shed

20/0075/LBC

Uphay Farm Membury Road Axminster EX13 7JG

Alterations and extensions to existing barn including provision of replacement timber cladding, natural slate roof, insertion of aluminium windows, door and 1 no. rooflight

20/0184/FUL

Abbey Cottage Abbey Lane Axminster EX13 8TS

Construction of single and two storey extension, replacement porch with new glazed balustrade; single storey garage link and replacement roof to the garage

20/0248/FUL

98 Flax Meadow Lane Axminster EX13 5FJ

Retrospective change of use of land to garden

20/0284/FUL

Millbrook Farmhouse Chard Road Axminster EX13 5E

Construction of garage

20/0317/TRE

18 The Cricketers Axminster EX13 5RG

T1, Lime - thin crown by 10% removing epicormic growth to leave a natural spacing on remaining stem with no cuts larger than 25mm. Shorten back long branches protruding from the crown to a suitable pruning position. To allow more light into the house and garden.]

NO OTHER DECISIONS WERE RECEIVED

Signed Dated