Chard Town Council
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Mayor: Cllr Jason Baker Town Clerk: Paul Russell

PLANNING & HIGHWAYS COMITTEE

Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on Tuesday 14th December 2021, commencing at 18:30pm in The Townhall, Fore Street, Chard TA20 1PP.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Cllr Wootton (Chair), Cllr Brown, Cllr Eggins, Cllr Morrison and Cllr Williams.

ALSO PRESENT: Paul Russell, Town Clerk, and Beverley Newman, Democratic Services Officer

Public Participation Time
There were no members of the public present.

2021/47 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
There were no apologies to receive.

2021/48 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST
The were no Declarations of Interest made:

2021/49 MINUTES
Proposed: Cllr Morrison Seconded: Cllr Eggins

For: Cllr Wootton, and Cllr Mrs Brown Cllr Williams.

Abstentions: None.

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee meeting held on the 30th November 2021 be agreed and signed as a correct record.

2021/50 PLANNING APPLICATIONS
To consider submitting a response to the following planning applications received:

APPLICATION:	20/03315/FUL
LOCATION:	Land Rear Of 25 To 27 Fore Street Chard TA20 1PS
DESCRIPTION:	Reduction of number of dwellings from 10 to 8, amended layout and design
COMMENT:	Recommend refusal for the following reasons:

- There are concerns regarding the bats and other wildlife that may still be on the site;
- There are concerns regarding the listed building and listed wall and the impact of the development will have on these;
- There are concerns regarding drainage and water attenuation provision on the site especially bearing in mind the recent flood events in July and October 2021 that occurred in Chard;
- The proposal is over-development of the site and the number of units should be further reduced;
- There is no provisions for car parking, and although the site has been championed as a car free development there are no other indications that the development is focused on eco building initiatives and climate change mitigation within the development;
- There are concerns that the lack of car parking provision will have a detrimental effect on the surrounding area.

Proposed: Cllr Morrison. Seconded: Cllr Eggins

APPLICATION:	**21/03237/HOU**
LOCATION:	Le Chalet Hornsbury Hill Chard TA20 3DB
DESCRIPTION:	To demolish the existing conservatory and chimney and erect a two storey extension on almost the same foot print as the conservatory to effectively increase the bedroom size within the existing bungalow roof space and to increase the size of the existing sitting room on the ground floor.
COMMENT:	No reasons for declining

Proposed: Cllr Eggins. Seconded: Cllr Wootton

APPLICATION:	**21/03393/LBC**
LOCATION:	6 Bath Street Chard TA20 2ET
DESCRIPTION:	Replacement of 2 No. existing front and 3 No. existing rear windows with white uPVC energy efficient double glazed units in style to match existing as closely as possible.
COMMENT:	Application withdrawn

APPLICATION:	21/03479/HOU
LOCATION:	9 Millfield Chard TA20 2DA
DESCRIPTION:	Two storey and single storey rear extension
COMMENT:	No objections. However it was noted that right of way to the pathway containing the tree would need to be maintained. It was further noted that the proposed extension would result in the property not suiting a first time buyer, and that the properties on this site were originally designed for this house buyer group.

Proposed: Cllr Morrison Seconded: Cllr Higgins

2021/51 TREE PRESERVATION ORDERS

APPLICATION:	21/03600/TPO/Phillip Poulton (Specialist)
LOCATION:	32 Monmouth Court Chard TA20 1HQ
DESCRIPTION:	Application to carry out Tree Surgery Works to various trees as shown within the Chard Borough Council 1970 Tree Preservation Order
COMMENT:	The application appears to have been submitted by the arborist who has the expertise to decern whether the tree works are required.

Proposed: Cllr Wootton Seconded: Cllr Morrison

2021/52 HIGHWAY/OTHER MATTERS

There were no comments on the Highway works.

2020/53 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Committee noted that the next meeting of the Planning & Highways Committee would be held on Monday 10th January 2022 at 18:30pm in in The Townhall Fore Street, Chard TA20 1PP.

The Chair thanked Members for their attendance and closed the meeting at 18.52 pm.

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CHAIR: **DATE:**